

IEEE AKRON/CANTON SECTION

BOARD MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2011

Date September 13, 2011

Place Waterloo Restaurant, Akron, Ohio

Present Buchanan, Rick r.buchanan@ieee.org

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The meeting was called to order at 6:09 pm by Rob Voss, Vice-Chair of the IEEE-Akron/Canton Section.

The first order of business was introductions. As everyone was familiar with one another, there were no formal introductions.

The second order of business was the minutes from the August meeting. Richard Buchanan moved that they be accepted as they were; Shannon Pisarsky seconded the motion. All approved.

The third order of business was the treasurer's report. As of July, 2011 the balance was \$18,369.86. By line item, the report was:

\$ 7.08
100.00
480.00
\$587.08
\$126.03
564.83
200.00
\$890.86
\$(303.78)

August, 2011 Balance \$18,066.08

Outstanding Checks 8/30 \$ 75.00 CBRS Balance 8/30 \$18,141.08

Walter Pechenuk motioned that the treasurer's report be approved, and Pisarsky seconded it.

The board meeting recessed at 6:20 pm for dinner and resumed at 6:52 pm.

The third order of business was the section's website. Pisarsky set a Facebook page after the Sections Congress that she attended in August in order to recruit younger members. She also posted three new jobs on the Akron-Canton Section's home webpage. Two of these were for the Clarks Group and one for a job at the University of Auckland in New Zealand.

Pisarsky also posted a write-up about the Sections Congress in San Francisco. Other information posted included information about the upcoming Cisco Tour and pre-tour dinner and a map directing attendees from the Taverne of Richfield, where the dinner will take place to Cisco Systems. Pisarsky also said that she will post the August board minutes on the website.

The fourth order of business was the student chapter. There was nothing to report.

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The sixth order of business was the Computer Society. Pisarsky informed the board that she had assembled an announcement list and that 85 opted in. For the most part these were IEEE-A/C Computer Society members. Pisarsky also asked the Computer Society respondents to e-mail her with their thoughts about what they would like to see the society do in its programs. Pisarsky also said that she would like the respondents to come up with ideas that they would like to be incorporated into the charter of the Computer Society of the Akron-Canton Section.

The seventh order of business was IAS. There was nothing to report.

The eighth order of business was PACE. Bob Osterhout had informed the board via e-mail that he would like to have a PACE activity by the end of the calendar year. He is also looking for input from the student chapter. Osterhout would also like to know whom to contact in the student chapter and to know what the chapter is doing, e.g. robotics, poster conference, or contests, etc.

The ninth order of business was membership in the IEEE-Akron/Canton Section. There was no report.

The tenth order of business was ACESS. A flyer is already available for the ACESS banquet, and it will be on November 3. Pisarsky said that she will include information about the ACESS banquet on the section's website. Tickets to the event are \$27.00 per person, but the Akron-Canton Section will charge its members \$20.00 for members and one guest. Students will be charged \$15.00. The new president of ACESS is Missi Zender-Sakach (only one to hold a new office in ACESS).

The eleventh order of business was CJEC. Buchanan informed the board that CJEC held a meeting on September 13 and that the organization is also getting ready for Engineers Week. CJEC has yet to find a

speaker for the event. CJEC has been entertaining the idea of getting a speaker to talk about wind energy. The event will take place on Wednesday, February 22 at Skyland Pines in Canton.

The twelfth order of business was the Akron Engineers Week. Voss attended the E-Week Banquet Committee on August 29. The banquet will take place on Thursday, February 23. Responsibilities were assigned during the organizational meeting. Voss will be responsible for sponsorship. Voss also informed the board that schedule of the event will be different from previous years. The E-Week Banquet will begin earlier to give attendees an opportunity for more networking. There will also be game-show event instead of an invited speaker. No one on the committee wants to look for a speaker. An idea was also floated not to have a sit-down meeting in order to have more networking. Proponents of this format would like hot hors-d'oeuvres served in place of a meal.

The thirteenth order of business was the San Francisco Sections Congress. Pisarsky who attended the congress summed it as being "awesome." A full-write up of the event was posted by Pisarsky on the Akron-Canton Section's website. Pisarsky informed the board that she made great contacts, who will be helpful in the future. She was happy to see Region 2 members mingle with members from others regions. Interesting enough, attendees were talkative and shared many ideas.

The fourteenth order of business was the Cisco Tour and dinner. Pechenuk reported that everything had already been organized. Buchanan notified the board that a number of people had already signed up for the dinner and tour and that he was waiting for people to send in their reservations. Buchanan also told the board that CPD credits were available for this meeting.

The fifteenth order of business was Old Business. There was nothing to report.

The sixteenth order of business was New Business. The matter at hand was providing information for the IEEE Historical Center. Buchanan gave Pisarsky numerous historical documents for scanning and posting online through IEEE. The Akron-Canton Section will have a link to it.

Other matters of interest include a Homeland Security Presentation to be given at a later date at Stark State by Anna-Marie Robbins. Stark State will cater the event, and Vernon Sprout should give information about this event to Pisarsky so she can post the information on the section's website. The usually catered items include sandwiches and a selection of chips. Pechenuk suggested that the organizers see whether Stark State's culinary program could help out with the catering. Pisarsky said that would talk to Robbins to find out whether November or January would be her preference for giving the talk.

Buchanan notified the board that on November 29 CRSPE is having a presentation on registration and licensure issues by a member of the board of registration. Attendance will be equivalent to a CPD credit. One thing to remember is that random audits are carried out to make sure that each member gets 15 hours of CPD per year.

Steve Harmath communicated to the board that the Orrville Power Plant tour will take place on Tuesday, October 25. He will make arrangements for dinner. Voss said that he will handle the matters concerning the dinner.

This year's December social will be on Saturday, December 10 and will take place at Anthe's Prime on Manchester Road.

The seventeenth order of business was adjournment. Buchanan moved that the board recess until 6:00 pm on October 11 for the chapter's board meeting at the Waterloo Restaurant, and Pisarsky seconded the motion. All approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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Walter Pechenuk September 29, 2011