



**IEEE AKRON/CANTON SECTION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 2012**

Date September 11, 2012
Place Waterloo Restaurant, Akron, Ohio

Present	Buchanan, Rick	r.buchanan@ieee.org
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The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by Gary Lanier, Chair of the Akron-Canton Section of IEEE.

The first order of business was introductions. As everyone present was acquainted with one another, introductions were considered covered.

The second order of business was approval of the minutes from the August board meeting of the section. Rob Voss, Vice-Chair, motioned that the minutes be approved, and Rick Buchanan, Treasurer, seconded the motion. The assembled board members concurred.

The third order of business was discussion of the treasurer's report. There was little activity since the August board meeting. Buchanan deposited the checks received from those who attended the Ohio Light Opera. Expenses for August's ExCom Meeting totaled \$86.25 and dues from IEEE-A/C to the Canton Joint Engineering Council (CJEC) were \$100. A \$25.00 check from last calendar year is still outstanding, as well as one for \$50.00 from this year. The IEEE-A/C Section rebate was less than anticipated, and this was probably due to the fact that some members have not renewed their memberships.

The board meeting recessed at 6:15 pm for dinner and resumed at 6:44 pm.

Voss moved that the ExCom Board approve the treasurer's report, and Dean Philips, Membership Chair, seconded it. All approved.

The fourth order of business dealt with the Nominating Committee. Voss had nothing to report. There had been no nominations. Buchanan said that he will send out a reminder to the section's membership.

The fifth order of business was discussion of the section's website. Shannon Whalen, the webmaster, sent an e-mail to notify the board that information for posting on the website can be sent to her, and she will gladly post it.

The sixth order of business concerned activities sponsored by the student chapter of IEEE at the University of Akron. There was no report.

The seventh order of business was the activities of the Power and Energy Society (PES). There was no report. Philips and Michael Pataki, PES Chair, will get together to come up with some kind of continuing-education function or regular meeting.

The eighth order of business was the section's Computer Society chapter. The Robotics Team from Stark State said that IEEE-A/C can have a meeting there to see its robot. The board had proposed a possible meeting in September.

The ninth order of business was matters concerning the Industry Applications Society (IAS). There was no report to present.

The tenth order of business was the Professional Activities Committee for Engineers (PACE). Voss reported that Bob Osterhout, PACE Chair, submitted four projects for which PACE will receive support. These include a \$275 contribution from PACE headquarters, as well as Region 2 support: Akron SciTech Expo – Total Expenses: \$150, region support \$75 (50%); 2. Stark State Event – Total Expenses: \$180; Region support \$100; 3. Western Reserve Science Fair: Total Expenses \$200; Region support \$100.

The eleventh order of business was membership. There was no report.

The twelfth order of business was the Akron Council of Engineering and Scientific Societies (ACCESS). Officers will remain the same for the upcoming year. A reminder was given that this year's banquet will take place on November 1 (7:00-9:00 pm) at Guy's Party Place and that IEEE-A/C plans to have a table for its members. Buchanan will reserve a table for IEEE-A/C. This year there will be no speaker; instead there will be a panel of co-op students from the University of Akron who will discuss their work-study programs. These students will most likely be from the Department of Chemical Engineering at the University of Akron.

The thirteenth order of business was the recent activities of the Canton Joint Engineering Council (CJEC). The Canton Engineers Week Banquet will take place February 20, 2013 from six to eight in the evening at Skyland Pines in Canton.

The fourteenth order of business was Akron's Engineers Week (E-Week). The banquet is scheduled for February 21, 2013. More information will follow, including information for the webpage. The Akron E-Week reception will be at Emidio's Party Center in Cuyahoga Falls. Voss will be handling sponsorship for the organization. There will be no speaker; instead there will be a retrospective on engineering contributions in Greater Akron.

The fifteenth order of business was matters concerning the section's "Meetings Schedule." Vernon Sprout notified the ExCom board that during the first week of October, on Saturday, October 6, there will be a ***Green Energy Ohio*** tour sponsored by Stark State from 9:30 am until 4:30 pm. Lanier suggested that we should advertise it as a meeting. Reservations are required for this meeting, and it includes a lunch at a modest cost. Lunch will be provided at the Wilderness Center in southwestern Stark County. Those interested in attending should consult the website for ***Green Energy Ohio*** for more in-depth information on this event. This tour will be in lieu of the October meeting. A question that arises is what is Summit County doing in a similar capacity? Lanier suggested that the board check the ***Green Energy Ohio*** website. The Schweitzer tour is still up in the air.

The sixteenth order of business was "Old Business." There was none.

The seventeenth order of business was "New Business." There was no new business.

The eighteenth order of business was adjournment. Walter Pechenuk, section secretary, motioned that the ExCom meeting be adjourned. Voss seconded it, and the board approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 pm until October 9, 2012 at 6:00 pm at the Waterloo Restaurant.

Respectfully submitted,

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Walter Pechenuk

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