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## Baltimore Section

March Executive Committee Meeting Report  
March 8, 2010



This report summarizes the IEEE Baltimore Section Executive Committee (ExCom) meeting held on March 8, 2010. 22 IEEE members attended. There were no visitors. Appendix 1 is the meeting agenda. Appendix 2 is a list of meeting attendees.

### 1. Introductions

Anna Romaniuk called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

### 2. Executive Reports

- a. Chair – Anna Romaniuk
  - Section needs 3 more people for the Trivia Night table on 10 March
  - April ExCom meeting will be Monday 5 April 2010 at Historical Electronics Museum
- b. Vice Chair – Alan Pressman
  - Any other societies who need help (i.e. in addition to the Computer Society)?
- c. Treasurer –Walt Willing
  - All forms were submitted in time for the Section to receive the 10% discount
  - Proposed some Chapters might wish to turn over their finances to the Section
- d. Secretary – John Blake
  - Gary Tartanian added to IEEE database as Baltimore COMSOC Society Chair

### 3. New Business

- a. Monica Mallini and Wally Lee from IEEE Virginia Section on GLOBECOM 2013
  - Baltimore would be a good candidate for hosting GLOBECOM 2013
  - 2007 conference was lucrative (i.e. ~\$20K per chapter sponsor)
  - Needs to be a strong base of volunteer support
  - 2500-3000 attendees anticipated
  - Recommend putting announcement in Section newsletter
  - Invite Jerry Gibbons (past organizer) to provide perspective to Section

- b. Wole Akpose – Region 2 Membership Development Chair
  - Does Baltimore Section have a Membership Development Chair?
  - Large membership drop in Baltimore Section
  - ~60% of all 1<sup>st</sup> year members do not renew
  - Recommend personal letter campaign to 1<sup>st</sup> year members
  - Handwritten letters recommended, rather than form letter
- c. Anna Romaniuk – Senior Membership
  - Need a schedule a nomination day
  - 6 November 2010 tentatively chosen
  - Need to solicit current Senior & Fellow members for Review Board

#### 4. Discussion Topics

- a. Bill Semancik - Awards dinner
  - Include Chapters & Affinity Groups
  - Invite past & current Section Officers
  - Invite Winning Robot Challenge teams
  - Invite Region 2 Chairs
  - Invite new IEEE Fellows
  - Extend invitation to NJ & VA/DC Sections
  - Invite random pick from 1<sup>st</sup> year members
  - \$26-28 meal + \$10 bar + \$10 appetizer = ~\$50 per person
  - Tax exempt status to be honored by Snyders
  - Bill requests \$6500 budget for event, passes by unanimous vote
- b. Ron Aloysius – Poster for IEEE Baltimore Section
  - Proposed text previously sent via email (IEEE\_Baltimore\_Poster.txt)
  - Baltimore Section Established circa ~1904
  - Looking for comments on text
  - Anna took photograph of Section personnel present at end of meeting
- c. Baltimore Computer Society needs >12 people
- d. Wole Akpose – Section could form a Consultant Network as an Affinity Group
- e. Jay Gamerman – Section would benefit from online social networking

#### 5. Highlights from Directors and Chapter Chairs, R2 Area Chair

- a. Lei Zong – WIE Baltimore Section
  - WIE will be holding a networking event
  - Theme will be wine tasting
  - Location to be Lei's place of employment
  - Co-hosted with ASME

- b. Boris Gramatikov – Continuing EE Education
  - Second class of the year scheduled for 22 March 2010
  - Looking for 3-4 speakers for fall classes
  
- c. Neville Jacobs – Robot Challenge
  - Expecting ~73 teams
  - Need ~8 more judges for papers
  - Paper judging to be on 12 April at 6 PM at Northrop Grumman
  - Need ~25 more track & oral presentation judges for 17 & 18 April competition
  
- d. Brian Sequeina – Microwave Theory & Techniques
  - International Microwave Symposium coming to Baltimore in May 2011
    1. ~3K attendees
    2. ~11K exhibitors
    3. Student paper contest
    4. Student design contest
    5. Jeff Pond (Army Research Labs) is the organizer
    6. Baltimore previously hosted conference in 1986 & 1998
    7. Horizon House is the publisher for the event
    8. ~\$2.5M in revenue expected
  
- e. Tanner Horner – Chair GOLD
  - IEEE GOLD tour of Historical Electronics Museum had 11 attendees from JHU
  
- f. Jeff Friedhoffer – Region 2 Secretary
  - Google’s proposed program for GBit to the home
    1. Recommend Baltimore Section officially endorse this online
    2. Endorsement limited to Baltimore Section only
    3. Resolution passes by unanimous vote
  - Two candidates for Region 2 Chair election
  - Numerous technical books are available to members via IEEE Explorer

## 6. New Action Item Summary

- None

## 7. Adjourn – Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM

## **Appendix 1: March 8, 2010 ExCom Meeting Agenda**

### **1. Introduction:**

### **2. Call to Order**

### **3. Reading and Approval of the Minutes**

### **4. Monthly Financial Statement**

#### **a. Treasurer: reads statement**

#### **b. Chair: says "Received as read and filed for audit"**

### **5. Executive Reports**

#### **a. Chair (Anna Romaniuk)**

- i. Completed the Officer's Report for various chapters. All chapters have been contacted and reports are being filed. Recently notified by two chapters that the database is not updated. Anna will contact Corporate and verify if the officers updates are correct
- ii. Attended PES (Power Engineering Society) Engineers Week Awards Dinner - February 18, 2010
- iii. Attended Regions 2 section meeting February 20-21, 2010 – Anna, Jeff, Alan, Carole and Ryan
- iv. Attended IEEE Section/Chapter/Affinity Group Leadership Workshop 2010 Sponsored by DC and NoVa sections – Anna and Lei – 2/27/10
- v. Attended ISSS- USA 2010 Annual Meeting – Nashville 3/4-3/7, presentation ExComm and GOLD posters
  1. Next year IEEE –USA 2010 Annual meeting – Austin Texas, February 24 -27 or March 3-6, 2011 – Topic: Engineering in Motion
- vi. Science – Engineering Technology 2010 – April 28-29 Washington DC
- vii. March activities:
  1. WIE Region 3 - March 16-18 – attendees: Carole and Lei Zong
  2. Trivia night – March 12, 2010
- viii. Other – DC's section banquet is May 1, 2010
- ix. Philadelphia banquet is April 8 or 9, 2010

#### **b. Vice Chair (Alan Pressman)**

#### **c. Treasurer (Walt Willing)**

#### **d. Secretary (John Blake)**

### **6. Old Business**

- Outstanding action – Engineer of the Year Award
  - During the January meeting Bill suggested nominating Curtis Menyuk based on his ComSoc leadership - not discussed in February's meeting. To be discussed further at March ExCom meeting

- Need to update Chapter & Section web site – Anna solicited information from Chapters. To follow up again

## **7. Discussion Topics**

- a. Mike Pearse moved to Pennsylvania. Update the Web site with new GOLD Chair – Ryan Janak
- b. Region 2 - nomination for Director Elect Region
- c. Senior Member Nomination Day - Seminar – when? – New nominations. GOLD and WIE should be able to help
- d. Discuss Senior Membership Review – to be hosted again in Baltimore. Looking for volunteers.
- e. Bill S. – report about banquet dinner plans – possible increase in budget
- f. Ron Aloysius
  - i. SP, AES, and Comm will be hosting a distinguished lecturer on Monday March 22.
  - ii. - IEEE poster for the Baltimore Section – needs design
- g. Revised Computer chapter – work together with DC and NoVa chapters. Anna already contacted their chairs ( Tom Sarai) – put plan and place
- h. Jay G. proposed a topic for discussion on networking within the Baltimore Section - our network is broken. “I would like to propose that we set up some kind of on line data base, accessible via login and password or something like that so people can search for connections and maybe save someone some of the pain and aggravation that I have gone through
- i. WIE to discuss the upcoming WIE social event and possibly co-hosting it with ASME Baltimore section
- j. First Robotics Chesapeake regional – Baltimore section should involve next year – suggestion and volunteers
- k. Discuss proposition for creation of new Life Time Members’ affiliation at Baltimore – LFM or joint activities with DC
- l. Discuss - Robot and automation chapter – new (joint work with DC’s chapter) – Jay and Naiville ?
- m. Discuss how to link web sites to together 0- DC, NoVa and Baltimore
- n. Boris will report on CEEE
- o. Tanner - report on the National Electronics Museum trip (Saturday March 6th) with the electrical engineering students from Johns Hopkins
- p. Monica or Wally Lee - GLOBECOM 201

## **8. Highlights from Directors and Chapter Chairs, R2 Area Chair**

## **9. New Action Item Summary**

## **10. Adjourn**

## Appendix 2: March 8, 2010 Baltimore ExCom Meeting Attendees

Name	Position	Member (Y/N)?	Email
Anna Romaniuk	ExCom Chair, WIE	Yes	<a href="mailto:aromaniuk@ieee.org">aromaniuk@ieee.org</a>
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Walt Willing	ExCom Treasurer	Yes	<a href="mailto:Walter.willing@ngc.com">Walter.willing@ngc.com</a>
John Blake	ExCom Secretary	Yes	<a href="mailto:John_T_Blake@ieee.org">John_T_Blake@ieee.org</a>
Bill Semancik	Region 2 Treasurer	Yes	<a href="mailto:wsemncik@ieee.org">wsemncik@ieee.org</a>
<b>Jeff Friedhoffer</b>	Region 2 Secretary	Yes	<a href="mailto:jfried@ieee.org">jfried@ieee.org</a>
<b>Wole Akpose</b>	Region 2 Membership Development Chair	Yes	<a href="mailto:wole@ieee.org">wole@ieee.org</a>
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