

# IEEE Milwaukee Section 2007 Meeting Minutes

Minutes of IEEE Executive Meeting  
October 24, 2007  
Maxwell's Restaurant in Brookfield

## Attendees:

### Section Officers:

Glenn Wrate (*Chairperson*)  
Tom Smith (*Vice-Chairperson*)  
Debra Longtin (*Secretary*)  
Eric Waydick (*Treasurer*)

### Chapter Chairs:

Ram Bhatia (*Industrial Apps.*)  
Jim Blaha (*Electromagnetic Compatibility*)  
Larry Hause (*EMBS*)  
Mark Juds (*Magnetics*)  
Paul Tindall (*Power*)

### Section Directors and Others:

Sylvia Wrate (*Program Chair*)  
Rikki Green (*potential GOLD chair*)  
Robert Molthen (*Director*)

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM by Tom Smith.

An agenda for the meeting was distributed.

The minutes of the April 24<sup>th</sup> meeting were distributed and reviewed. Paul moved to approve the minutes and Ram seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Announcements were made concerning the following:

- The EMC Chapter has scheduled a seminar for April 1, 2008 at the Wyndham Airport Hotel (formerly the Four Points Sheraton). Mr. Mark Steffka will be the lecturer. Mark leads the EMC effort at the GM proving Grounds in Auburn Hills, Michigan. He also teaches part time at the U of Michigan and U of Detroit.
- PACE has awarded \$600 to WIE.

Next, an update on the GOLD chapter development was given by Rikki Green.

- Not much happened over the summer. Rikki cannot be inducted as a chair until a GOLD meeting is held.

- A GOLD meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2007 at the Miller Inn. This will be an informational meeting to introduce GOLD to potential members.
- The group moved to set aside \$200 for the GOLD November meeting. Motion seconded and approved. In the future it was suggested that Rikki apply ahead of time for PACE money. Larry volunteered to help Rikki fill out the form.
- Rikki will work with Shrinivas Joshi to contact the student groups for the November meeting.
- Rikki also requested information from the Section Chairs to present at the meeting. She will e-mail forms to them for completion.

Next order of business was the Treasurer's report. The report was discussed. We have roughly \$56,000 on the books right now. Glenn will send the report to the officers.

The next agenda item was the fate of the inactive COM and CS chapters. These chapters will automatically lapse into de-activated status due to lack of meetings. There are three members on the books right now: Hue Tran, Charles Rohrer, and Howard Haugstad. If there are any others in the area, please contact one of the section officers listed at the beginning of the minutes above.

We (IEEE Milwaukee Section) are a member of the Engineers and Scientists of Milwaukee (ESM). This group is mostly focused on education in grade school and high school. All meeting attendees agreed to stay in the group. We will sponsor a table for 8 at the upcoming ESM 2007 Engineer of the Year Banquet for \$500.

It was decided to hold a meeting after Thanksgiving.

- Suggested topic was membership development.
- Suggested dinner speaker was Bob Perro, Region 4 Central Area Chair.
- We will need a technical topic also. Magnetics and EMC Chairs to come up with a topic.
- Glenn will select a date, coordinating with the speakers and Chairs.
- Pizza and Beer at the Miller was suggested.

The Holiday Party was discussed in detail.

- It was decided to purchase a block of 60 tickets to the Christmas Carol for December 15<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis.
- A motion to charge \$20 per person for the Play and Dinner was passed.
- A pasta buffet at the Safe House was proposed after research by Sylvia. Sylvia will organize.
- Motion proposed and carried that the Section and the EMC Chapter will split the costs above what attendees pay for the Holiday Party.
- This will be the annual meeting with the election of officers.

- A motion to invite Marilyn and spouse to the Party at no cost for her appreciation for help with the party was passed.

The 2008 student competition night is tentatively scheduled for the last week in April.

The 2008 Sections Congress will be held September 19-22, 2008 in Quebec.

- Jim will send Glenn a topic to present.
- WIE should also present on their work with high school students.
- It was Moved that Jim be our voting delegate and a speaker. Edina will be a speaker. Motion carried.
- We need to budget next year for two members from the Milwaukee Section to attend. We should set aside a minimum of \$1000 each for travel/room/per diem.

Glenn will send out a general call for nominations for 2008 Section Officers to be received by the November meeting

Eric discussed the process he has gone through to try to get a credit card for the section. He now has the correct application and asked whose name should be on the card. It was suggested that we get one card for the Treasurer and one for the Program Chair, based on usage. There will be a \$5k monthly transaction limit on the cards. A motion for the above was proposed. Motion carried. Glenn abstained.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.