



Organization: IEEE-NO IAS
Subject: Meeting minutes
Meeting date: July 8, 2009
Meeting time: 11:30 – 1:30pm
Meeting location: Entergy Building, Jefferson Highway

1) Attendees

- a) IAS members
 - Robert Alonzo (RA)
 - Steve Bourg (SB)
 - Scott Brevelle (SB)
 - Jack Dagostaro (JD)
 - Harold Dalio (HD)
 - Aaron Davis (AD)
 - Carol Eckelmann (CE)
 - Thomas Field (TF)
 - Harry Hawney (HH)
 - Moni Islam (MI)
 - Michael Labiche (ML)
 - David Lewis (DL)
 - George Mahl (GM)
 - Toby Miller TM
 - Jack Neelis (JN)
 - Dean Ruiz (DR)
 - Sean Villemarette (SV)
 - John Wilson (JW)
- b) Guest IEEE members
 - none
- c) Other Guests
 - Blake Cado
 - Sid Gaudet
 - Bruce Gerhardt
 - Perry Hogan
 - Gary Martin
 - Bart Mullis
 - Tad Patella
 - Angelo Pecoraro
 - Mike Russo
 - David Taylor
 - Charlie Darnell

2) Meeting purpose

The meeting was called to have a technical presentation and review action items and items discussed at the previous meeting

3) Meeting discussion

- a) Opening statements
- b) PDH log and attendee sign-in sheet finalized
- c) Building logistics were reviewed
- d) Introductions
- e) TF requested that as many members as possible stay for the full meeting because the following key items were going to be discussed:
 - 1) IAS and Section elections
 - 2) Webmaster (use of Front Page software)
 - 3) Technical Presentations for 2010
- f) Acknowledgement of corporate sponsors by TF
- g) TF stated that the meeting minutes for the June meeting were not complete and will be approved at the next meeting.
- h) Presentation on Cable Restraints by Charles Darnell of kVA Strategies.
- i) This is where the technical portion of the meeting stopped and the business meeting commenced. Several attendees excused themselves at this time.
- j) TF opened discussion about the technical program for 2010. Several topics were suggested as possible candidates for presenting at the 2010 lunch meetings:
 - 1) Protective relays
 - 2) UPS
 - 3) Arc flash
 - 4) High voltage DC
 - 5) Electricity storage
 - 6) Power quality
 - 7) Motor application and specifications
 - 8) Types of ride through for motors
 - 9) Harmonics
 - 10) Solar and other renewable energy (NOLA project, water, wind)
 - 11) Switchgear comparison of IEC and ANSI standards
 - i.) Also consider TRV, asymmetry, capacitor switching, and breaker applications
 - 12) Generation (high speed, gas turbine)
 - 13) Joint meeting with Marine Task Force (noting that they prefer night meetings)
 - 14) Joint meeting with Baton Rouge section
- k) TF requested that someone volunteer to become the new chapter webmaster. Carol Eckelman volunteered to undertake this effort. TF and CE were to meet after the meeting adjourned to discuss details.
- l) TF opened discussion on upcoming elections
 - 1) Chapter
 - i.) Secretary – it was requested that a description of the duties of this position be emailed out to the members.
 - ii.) GM will run for Chapter Chair
 - iii.) JN will run for Vice Chair (TF CONFIRM BECAUSE HE IS ALSO RUNNING FOR A DIRECTION POSITION)
 - iv.) DR will run for treasurer

- 2) Section
 - i.) JN will run for a director position
 - ii.) Mike Champagne may run for treasure position. This needs to be communicated to the nominating committee of Edit, Rowland, and Richard.
 - iii.) TF stated that it is important to consider the requirements for the Section level responsibility.
 - iv.) SB stated that JN should be considered for the section treasury position. A petition may need to be filed since JN has not served on the section executive committee.
- 3) Regional
 - i.) It was discussed that Joe Lillie is running for IEEE president
 - ii.) TF/SB stated that we may want to request him to be a guest speaker for a section meeting
- 4) TF reminded everyone of the Entergy Thermal tour
- m) TF put his meeting presentation on the projector screen. The items captured below were in addition to the items on the presentation:
 - 1) Treasury
 - i.) TF stated that budget spread sheets are on the web-site
 - 2) PCIC conference task force
 - i.) DR stated that he will be attending the PCIC executive subcommittee meeting in Anaheim in 2009
 - ii.) MI offered to assist the PCIC task force in any capacity during the 2009 conference in Anaheim.
 - 3) Future conferences task force
 - i.) TF stated that New Orleans IAS Safety Workshop is on the radar to attract to NO.
 - 4) Membership committee
 - i.) TF stated that there was no report
 - ii.) TF commented that Toby Miller is the ISA liaison with the IEEE IAS chapter
 - iii.) TF requested a conversation with Henry Suthon (ISA Chair) to review the IEEE/ISA association
 - 5) BR Liaison
 - i.) TF requested that LS attain the 2010 schedule for topics for the Baton Rouge chapter.
 - 6) Technical program task force
 - i.) TF discussed the upcoming engineering symposium. The title will be the 1st Annual Symposium on Engineering Topics. It should be considered to make this a biannual event.
 - a) TF states that other universities in the southeast should be targeted for participating in the symposium
 - b) TF stated that sponsors have been attained for everything except the dinner. It is being considered to have a pay dinner at a local restaurant.
 - c) There was discussion possible candidates to be the keynote speaker. The list included:
 - a) GE executive (GE is sponsoring the breakfast)
 - b) Dr. Russell Trahan

- c) Entergy VP of Transmission
 - d) TF requested that SB ask Dr. Trahan to be the keynote speaker
 - ii.) TF stated that this task force needs a new chair by September 2009.
 - iii.) The next chapter meeting is scheduled for August 12 and will be on VFDs. A 5 hour tutorial on this topic may also be developed and offered.
- 7) Marine task force
 - i.) TF stated the task force needs a local chair.
 - ii.) TF stated that there is to be an upcoming meeting at the Piccadilly on Causeway by Jefferson Highway. The web-site has more information.
- 8) Awards task force
 - i.) TF stated that ECA has attained several award certificates and has the necessary permissions from the section. He and Francis Grosz are actively working on the awards
- 9) Web-site
 - i.) Covered earlier
- n) New business
 - 1) Covered earlier
- o) The meeting was adjourned.