



**Our next board meeting will be in October 3<sup>rd</sup> 11:30 am to 12:30 pm at the SCE Headquarter in Rosemead.**

**Metropolitan Los Angeles Section Minutes of Meeting**

**Date: August 8, 2008**

**Location: SCE Headquarter, Malibu Room GO3, in Rosemead**

**Attendees:**

Yvonne Marchand – Section Chair  
Ray Harlow – Section Vice Chair  
Charles Cai – Section Treasurer  
Jacky Wong – Section Secretary  
Eremita Miranda – Past Chair & Education Chair  
Dr. Larry Bergman – PACE Chair  
Shelly He – Awards Chair  
Jeannette Chang – USC Student Branch Chair  
Alicia Lopez – PES Chair

The meeting was called to order by Yvonne Marchand, the Section Chair.

**Administrative Business:**

Yvonne made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of May 16, 2008.

Charles and Eremita reported LA Council will contribute \$2500 to sponsor the Pasadena Convention in 2009. Lots of aerospace companies will participate in this convention. Information is available in LA Council web page. Eremita commented LA Council has a very good web page with lots of information. She recommended including the LA Council link in the Section web page. Action Item: Include link in Section web page.

Ray is organizing two technical meetings with Trench. He would like to see more students participate in technical meetings. The schedule will be decided after all college students start their school. Most likely these meetings will be in October. Action Item: Follow up on meeting schedule.

Charles will also look into other technical presentations such as transformer survey, noise level acoustic wall.

Eremita attended the IEEE Power Society Conference. There were about 2000 attendees.

Yvonne reported tour of the Western Basin Water District desalination facility on Aug 2 was very successful. Larry had pictures of the tour. Yvonne suggested to organize a tour of the MWD Diamond Valley Lake for early next year. Action Item: Jacky will followup on possible schedule.

Yvonne reported an upcoming financial workshop for engineers is scheduled on Aug 27 at MWD union station headquarter.

Jeannette Chang, USC student branch chair, reported they will organize a social event joint with UCLA and Cal Tech in Sept. They will also have a soccer event for EE students in Oct. Yvonne and Eremita suggested LA Metro can sponsor the social event. Action Items: Jeanne will provide an estimate to LA Metro, and PACE chair will prepare the student activities form.

Erremita reminded the Region 6 meeting is scheduled on Aug 30<sup>th</sup>. Paper contest is included in the agenda.

**Future Activities:**

PES (Power Energy Society) is hosting an Interconnect Agreement meeting in Sept. Information will be available in PES web end of August.

Alicia suggested a joint meeting with the LA Metro for the solar panel tour. Details will be discussed next time.

Eremita recommended creating two more new chapters, the nuclear chapter and the computer chapter under Metro LA Section. Details will be discussed in future Board meeting.

Larry will continue look into future tours of the Disney Concert Hall and the Kodak Theater, possibly join with the Acoustic Engineering Society and the LA County Work.

Dr. Larry Bergman is a co-chair for the Space Mission Challenge event which is scheduled on July 19-23, 2009 at the Pasadena Convention Center. The focus is on computer science application in space craft. He is looking for student participation.

JPL is hosting a Radar Conference in May 2009 at the Pasadena Convention Center.