



San Francisco Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Excom Meeting, March 13, 2006

Attendees

Dan Sparks
Julian Ajello

Sandra Ellis
George Mattathil

Ray Holstead

Meeting was called to order at 12:06 pm.

Review and Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the February Excom meeting have been posted on the Section website. Excom members should review the minutes. Comments and revisions should be sent to Dan Sparks.

Treasurer's Report

- Ray distributed the Treasurer's report for February. The cash-on-hand as of February 28 is \$56,440.
- Ray reported that the consolidated L-50's for SF Section was turned in on time. That qualifies SF Section for a 10% bonus. Dan expected the Section rebate to be approximately \$11,000 (including the bonus).

Chapter Reports

- IAS – Dan reported that the last IAS meeting was held on February 28. The topic was *Short Circuit and Coordination Analysis* and the speaker was Glyn Lewis from Applied Power. 45 people attended the meeting.
- IAS – Ray reported that the next IAS meeting will be on March 28. The topic will be *Automatic Transfer Switch Applications and Considerations* and the speaker is David Morse.
- PES – Julian reported that the last PES meeting was held on February 23. The topic was *Pad-Mounted Distribution Substations* and the speaker was John Wood. 47 people attended the meeting.
- PES – Dan distributed the registration materials for the one day short course on March 30. The topic will be *Disaster Recovery*. Four instructors are scheduled.
- PES – Dan was contacted by an employee from S&C Electric Company in Walnut Creek. He offered to make a presentation on *Sodium Sulfur Energy Storage Technology*. Dan referred him to Bhaskar Ray (PES Chairman).
- GOLD – Curt contacted a Charles Schwab representative to inquire whether Schwab could give a GOLD presentation on financial planning for young engineers.

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- ComSoc – George is concerned because neither he nor Dan has heard anything from Globecom even though SF Section is a sponsor. We offered seed money but they turned it down because they currently have a surplus. We discussed pulling out since they don't seem to want our participation but we anticipate they will want us to recruit volunteers to help at the show. George will draft a letter expressing Section's concerns for Dan signature. There is hope that Globecom will communicate with us closer to the meeting which will be held on November 27 through December 1, 2006.
- ComSoc – George reported on the February 21 meeting. The speaker was Dr. Ali Kujooory and the topic was *VoIP - Implementing the New Phone System*.
- ComSoc – The next meeting is March 21. The topic will be *Wireless Sensor Networks* and the speaker is Joerg Bertholdt from Crossbow Technologies.
- ComSoc - George wants ComSoc members to upgrade to senior grade starting with ComSoc Vice Chair Michael Butler. Dan mentioned that Raturaj Pathak's Senior Member application is complete and is being verified.
- Section – Dan reported that the Section will hold a professional meeting in March under the Women in Engineering banner. The speaker is Sybil Hatch who has written a book titled *Changing Our World: True Stories of Women Engineers*. The book describes how the works of 238 female engineers influenced our society. The meeting will be held on March 14 at the CPUC building.
- PACE – Dan reported the SF Section is planning on an abridged PE Exam Review Course. Curt has offered to help with course including teaching a session(s).

ECI/Wescon/SFBAC

- Dan distributed another draft of a charter for the San Francisco Bay Area Council. Dan missed the January Council meeting due to illness. After the Council meeting, Bob Baldwin, Region 6 Director, expressed his concern that a Council was unnecessary and not necessarily in the best interest of the three Sections. Additional discussions regarding the future of the Council are required.
- There was a brief discussion of confidential matters regarding SFBAC. SF Section's share of the ECI/Wescon liability has been paid as a result of confidential actions.

Other Business

- Dan announced he received an email from IEEE USA about a fly-in meeting in Washington, DC. IEEE USA is inviting its member to come to Washington in March to meet with legislators about issues of importance to IEEE. Dan will forward the email to the Excom.
- Fuong reported on the SCV Section sponsored officer training session on February 11. Fuong, Sandra Ellis, and Jack Lin (SF IAS) attended. Fuong said he found the session informative.

The meeting adjourned at 12:58 PM.

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The next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 12:00 noon, at Cammisa and Wipf offices.

Respectfully submitted,

Julian Ajello & Dan Sparks