

**Minutes of IEEE REGION 3 MEETING
10 APRIL 2005
FORT LAUDERDALE MARINA MARRIOTT
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA**

Attendees: Eric S. Ackerman*, Angela Alexander*, William L. Allen, Jr., Jim Anderson, Jai Arun, Brent Baker, Charles Barest, James H. Beall, G. Thomas Bellarmine*, Gerald Brown, Charles Chapman*, William B. Clayton*, Wayne Cockrell*, David A. Conner, James Conrad*, Anthony Cortez*, Patricia Davis*, Carlisle (Chip) Dawson*, Ariel Diaz, Dennis Dice, J. Patrick Donohoe, Robert S. Duggan, Jr., Joey A. Duvall, David Eaton*, W. Edmonson, Chris B. Effiong, Willie J. Fitzpatrick*, Devon Gayle*, Will Goins, Doug Gorham, David G. Green*, David Griffith*, Adeeb Hamzey*, Sean A. R. Haynes, Regina Hannemann*, Cyrus D. Harbourt*, Christopher R. Hardy*, Roy H. Harris, William B. Harrison* (Chair), Bruce A. Harvey, Charles E. Hickman*, Donald W. Hill, James M. Howard*, Mike Hughes, T. W. Hussey, Cyril Iskander, Keith Judus, Cecilia Jankowski, Joe Juisai*, Moshe Kam, Jay Kralovec*, Elizabeth Kuhn*, William M. LaBelle, N. Curtis Lee*, Philip Lim*, Shuo Liu, Allan H. Long, Charles J. Lord, William Marshall*, George F. McClure*, David C. McLaren, T. David Mills*, Osama Mohammed*, Halden A. Morris*, Marvin Neiditz*, Fred Orland*, John M. Parr*, William B. Ratcliff, Joy Reed*, Richard L. Riddle, Kathryn J. Rinehart, Wilfred Roberts, Jose M. Romero, David Ruden*, Ralph W. Russell II, David C. Schoggen*, Andrew P. Schulick*, Eric M. Schwartz*, Paul Stinson*, Lee Stogner*, K. B. Sundaram, Quang Tang, Allen Thomas, Ravi Todi, John R. Twitchell, Bruce L. Walcott*, and Sally Waselik. (* → voting members)

The Region 3 meeting was held in conjunction with SoutheastCon 2005 at the Fort Lauderdale Marina Marriott in Fort Lauderdale, Florida on 10 April 2005. The following notes relate to the agenda items and define any actions taken. Because of the illness of Bill Harrison, Region Director, the meeting was conducted by George McClure, Director-Elect.

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 8:37 a.m., and introductions of special guests were made.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Agenda was approved as submitted.
3. **Consent Agenda:** Two items on the consent agenda were approved; minutes of 16-17 October 2004 meeting, and Region Committee reports listed in the Information Agenda
4. **Officer Reports:** No additional reports for 4a-4c and 4e. Charles Hickman, Region Treasurer, discussed the 2004 budget results and the status of the 2005 budget; item (4d).
5. **Special Presentations:** Three presentations were made on 9 April 2005; Educational Activities and Region 3 Initiative (Kam/Gorham); IEEE Regional Activities (Jankowski); IEEE Information Technology (Waselik). Each of the three candidates for Region 3 Director-Elect made a presentation related to their candidacy; Lee Stogner, Bill Ratcliff and Eric Ackerman. A question and answer session followed the presentations.

Action Items:

- 6a. Region approved awarding SoutheastCon 2008 to the Huntsville Section. Presentations were made by Don Hill, Conference Chair, and Keith Jadus, Huntsville Section Chair.
- 6b. The following motion submitted by the Finance Committee was approved: Region 3 approves a Region 3 contribution to Sections Congress 2005 of \$10,000 plus an amount of up to another \$10,000, based on need to achieve the \$120,000 commitment to support the conference. The contribution will be taken from the Region 3 Conference Reserve Account.

6. Discussion/Information Items:

- 7a. Sections Congress 2005: Jim Howard and Sean Haynes reviewed the time schedule for the Region 3 meeting and Sections Congress. They urged each Section to select a primary delegate as soon as possible and report the information to the two co-coordinators; Butch Shadwell and Sean Haynes.
- 7b. Bill Ratcliff gave a status report on the Leadership by Developing Others (LDO) project.
- 7c. Charles Lord described where we go from here on the three breakout sessions held. The breakout results will be posted on a Virtual Community, and he urged each participant to discuss these ideas at Section meetings.

7. Information Agenda:

A number of attendees added a few comments in addition to reports submitted previously.

- a. Past Director: Jim Howard noted that six past Region directors were present and available to provide assistance.
- b. Awards and Recognition: John Twitchell requested nominations for RAB awards.
- c. Communications: Bill Ratcliff requested attendees to identify needs and submit them to the committee.
- d. Archive: Charles Lord urged attendees to consider archiving records.
- e. Conferences: Don Hill noted that attendees should begin planning for Memphis in 2006. Sean Haynes and Adeeb Hamzey discussed some activities planned for 2007. Jim Howard reported that Southcon had made a larger surplus than in many previous years.
- f. Membership Development: Lee Stogner urged that each member should get a member to grow the IEEE membership.
- g. Professional Activities: Adeeb Hamzey gave a brief review of the recent PACE conference held in Tucson, AZ (21 attendees from Region3). He said that Charles Lord would continue to offer training for Virginia Council members.
- h. Life Member Coordinator: David McLaren requested that Sections consider establishing Life Member Affinity Groups.
- i. Special Projects: Ralph Russell gave an update on the National Scout Jamboree.

8. Old Business:

No old business identified.

9. New Business:

The following items were mentioned for possible future action.

- a. Provide a report on the distribution of IEEE member dues (Hamzey).
- b. Identify a strategy for transitioning student members to higher grade membership (Hamzey).
- c. Consider providing child care facilities at Region meetings (Hannemann).

10. Date and Location of Next Meeting:

The next Region 3 meeting will be held in Tampa, Florida on 13 October 2005 immediately before Sections Congress 2005.

12. Adjournment:

After a few closing remarks by Bill Harrison, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David G. Green
Region 3 Secretary

Note: The Secretary acknowledges and thanks Charles Hickman for the actually taking and preparing the initial copy of these minutes. --- dgg