Minutes of IEEE REGION 3 ExCom E-Conference

1 June 2009

Attendees: Eric Ackerman*, William Clayton*, David G. Green*, Eric Grigorian, Charles E. Hickman*, Don Hill*, William Labelle, Charles J. Lord*, George F. McClure*, John Parr*, Mary Ellen Randall*, William B. Ratcliff* (chair), Richard L. Riddle*, Wilfred A. Roberts, Susan Ronning, Lee Stogner*, Courtney Spivey, Bill Tiedemann, Daniel Tulloch-Reid, Gregg Vaughn (* ➔ voting members)

Director Ratcliff welcomed everyone to the e-conference and thanked them for their participation. The group used IEEE's Adobe ConnectPro Web Meeting service along with its conferencing bridge service with Skype, toll-free 1-888, and long distance dialing along with IRC and web pages to accomplish its work. David Green, Gregg Vaughn, and Bill Clayton provide meeting production services.

The agenda was reviewed and adopted including the consent agenda:

- Received the reports listed in the Information Agenda
- Approved the minutes of its 23 February Meeting.
- Received the Audit Committee's report for the 2008 Audit.

The officers reviewed items from their written reports.

Action Agenda

The ExCom took the following actions:

- Awarded SoutheastCon 2011 to the Central Tennessee Section and loan $3000 seed money to the section.
- Awarded SoutheastCon 2012 to the Orlando Section and loan $5000 seed money to the Orlando Section.
- Awarded SoutheastCon 2013 to the Jacksonville Section contingent on SoutheastCon 2013 being the largest event being planned in the hotel. Don Hill will confirm the condition and report to the ExCom.

Note: The Region 3 Committee had delegated awarding authority for these three conferences to the ExCom at it last meeting.

Discussion Agenda

- Director Ratcliff presented his report at this time. He spoke on
  1. Progress on Transformation to MGA Model
  2. Financial Challenges
  3. Status and recommendations for Fall Workshops

  In the discussion, the ExCom took the following action:

  > Due to budget and resource limitations, the ExCom recommends that the Fall Training activity be accomplished using electronic conferencing tools.

- Bill Tiedemann briefed the ExCom on activities of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Governance. He also collected concerns and information from ExCom members for future consideration.
- Lee Stogner and George McClure gave a status report and forecast of Employment Assistance in Region 3 for the remainder in 2009.
- Charles Lord gave a brief report on training with suggestions for Fall training activities.

He is also working with the MGA committee that is concentrating on leadership training.

- Susan Ronning gave a brief report on PAOC planning and activities.

The group also discussed the use of the Adobe ConnectPro tool and concluded that it was a useful addition to the toolset.

Having concluded the agenda, Director Ratcliff adjourned the meeting at 11:15pm EDT.

Respectfully submitted,

David Green
Secretary