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- IEEE-USA VP Career and Member Services
- Candidate for IEEE-USA President-Elect 2013 (Nominated and Endorsed by the IEEE-USA Board of Directors)

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# PART 1 INTRODUCTORY BACKGROUND INFORMATION

#### **EDUCATION:**

PhD University of Wisconsin, Madison MS University of Idaho BS Illinois Institute of Technology

ALL DEGREES IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

## INTRODUCTORY BACKGROUND INFORMATION

#### WHAT HAVE I BEEN DOING?

- **1.** <u>ELECTRICAL/ELECTRONICS ENGINEER IN INDUSTRY</u> specializing in Electronics, Controls, Power, Circuit Design.
- **2. CONSULTANT** (Industry, consulted for over 40 corporations and companies as clients).
- **3. ENTREPRENEUR** (started and helped-start several successful businesses).
- **4. EMPLOYEE** (Worked as an employee for Litton Guidance & Control Systems Div., Unisys, Teledyne, Honeywell)

#### INTRODUCTORY BACKGROUND

- INFORMATION
  5. **ECE PROFESSOR** ( at Illinois Institute of Technology, Northern Illinois University, UCLA, Univ. of Florida, Marquette Univ.)
- a<u>Taught every ECE course</u> in the required undergraduate curriculum at Illinois Institute of Technology at least once over a 5 year period.
- b<u>Published</u> dozens of technical papers (many peer reviewed.)
- c<u>Dbtained several monetary grants for my universities from industry to</u> support my research and graduate students.
- dyoted "favorite professor" by students at IIT.
- e<u>Awarded First Prize for best paper and best presentation at the Pan</u> American Congress of Electrical & Mechanical Engineers.

### INTRODUCTORY BACKGROUND INFORMATION

#### 6. FE/PE EXAM TEACHER

Teaches review courses in General Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Power, Electronics, Computers., preparing for the FE and PE Exams, Live, on-line, and on recorded DVD's

#### 7. TECHNICAL SKILLS UPDATE TRAINER

Hired by companies to diagnose engineering skills of their staff, design and present update courses, to expand the skills of their engineers.

#### 8. TEACH THE TEACHERS

Hired by the <u>U.S. DEPT. OF ENERGY</u>: to design and conduct courses in SMART GRID/RENEWABLE ENERGY/ELECTRIC VEHICLES, and teach the teachers how to teach.

#### 9. <u>IEEE LIFE SENIOR MEMBER/VOLUNTEER</u>

# INTRODUCTORY BACKGROUND INFORMATION

CHARACTERISTICS of an IEEE-USA PRESIDENT:

(which describe me)

- DYNAMIC LEADER
- ORGANIZER
- PROBLEM SOLVER
- MOTIVATOR
- INNOVATOR
- EASY TO WORK WITH

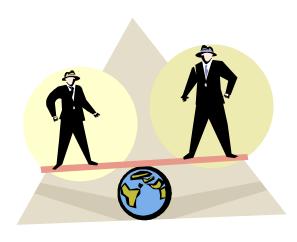
# PART 2 ORGANIZATION IEEE

#### **REGIONS 1-6**

**REGIONS 7-10** 

- U.S.A.
- 200,000

- OUTSIDE OF THE U.S.A
  - 200,000



### PART 2 ORGANIZATION (continued)

#### **IEEE-USA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- 3 PRESIDENTS (P+1, P, P-1)
- 4 VICE-PRESIDENTS (next slide)
- 6 REGION DIRECTORS
- 1 SECRETARY/TREASURER
- 2 MEMBERS-AT-LARGE
- 1 TAB REPRESENTATIVE
- 1 GOLD REPRESENTATIVE
- 18 TOTAL

## PART 2 ORGANIZATION (continued) 4 Vice-Presidents

- CAREER & MEMBER SERVICES (GARY BLANK)
- COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC AWARENESS
- GOVERNMENT RELATIONS
- PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (PACE)

### PART 2 ORGANIZATION (continued) **VICE PRESIDENT** CAREER & MEMBER SERVICES

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PRE-COLLEGE FF/PF

**EXAMS** 

# PART 3 – VP of CAREER & MEMBER SERVICES

- RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSULTANTS (AICN COORDINATING COMMITTEE)
  - AICN NETWORKS (now have 40+ Networks in the USA and 6 overseas)
  - ALMOST ½ of all NETWORKS STARTED-UP BY GARY BLANK
  - GB TRAINS MEMBERS TO START & EXPAND A SUCCESSFUL CONSULTING PRACTICE (WORKSHOP)
  - INVOLVED in the DEVELOPMENT OF IEEE WEBSITE AND DATABASE (for marketing consultants' services)

# PART 3 – VP of CAREER & MEMBER SERVICES (continued)

- RESPONSIBLE FOR ENTREPRENEURS ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE
  - FORMED ALLIANCES WITH SBA AND SCORE
  - SECTIONS ARE NOW FORMING ENTREPRENEUR NETWORKS (NEW, JUST STARTED)
  - COMMITTEE & STAFF MET WITH SENATOR OLYMPIA SNOWE & FEDERAL OFFICIALS TO PROMOTE SMALL HIGH-TECH BUSINESSES.
  - STAFF PARTICIPATED IN WHITE HOUSE
     ADMINISTRATION'S CHAMPIONS OF CHANGE INITIATIVE.

### Part 3 – VP, Career and Member Services (Cont'd) ENTREPRENEURS ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

- IEEE-USA MEMBERS CAN DOWNLOAD E-BOOKS
- TECH MATCH IEEE-USA MEMBERS CAN HAVE BUSINESS PROPOSALS REVIEWED BY EXPERTS
- LINKED IN Network with IEEE Entrepreneurial Colleagues
- SCORE Connect with SCORE Mentors
- SBA Get Answers from the U.S. Small Business Administration (our Alliance)
- IEEE-USA Entrepreneurs Achievement Award
- Find Local Networks, Resources, and Events
- Attend Webinars on Small Business Fundamentals

# PART 3 –VP of CAREER & MEMBER SERVICES (continued)

RESPONSIBLE FOR
EMPLOYMENT AND CAREER
SERVICES COMMITTEE

- DOZENS OF PRODUCTS/PROGRAMS
- SALARY SURVEY SERVICES
- METRO AREA WORKSHOPS
- EMPLOYMENT NETWORKS (ORIGINATED by GARY BLANK)

# PART 3 –VP of CAREER & MEMBER SERVICES (continued)

## RESPONSIBLE FOR K-12 STEM LITERACY ACTIVITIES

- MANY PRE-COLLEGE PROJECTS IN ALL 6
   REGIONS
- ●USA SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FESTIVAL IN WASHINGTON DC, APRIL 27-29, 2012
- TISP (Teachers In Service Program)
- UPCOMING FIRST CONFERENCE FOR TEACHERS & ADMINISTRATORS (by the K-12 STEM Cttee)

# PART 3 – VP of CAREER & MEMBER SERVICES (continued)

## RESPONSIBLE FOR LICENSURE AND REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

- **•HELP THE NCEES (National Examiners)**
- PROVIDE INPUT FOR FE AND PE EXAMS
- PROVIDE REVIEW COURSES FOR OUR MEMBERS
- PUBLISH AN E-BOOK on LICENSURE & REGISTRATION FOR OUR MEMBERS
- ●INTRODUCTION OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING AS A NEW PE OPTION

#### PART 4 OTHER RELEVANT DETAILS

- MAW Metro Area Workshops (Member of the Traveling Workshop Team, doing 2 presentations, one on Consultants Networks, and one on Employment Networks)
- Author of monthly "TOOLKIT" Series (in TODAY'S ENGINEER)
- Served 7 of the last 10 Years on the IEEE-USA Board of Directors in various capacities
- Elected 3 consecutive years as current Vice-President. Normal term is 2 years max. Served as VP under 3 recent Presidents

#### PART 4 OTHER RELEVANT DETAILS

- Speaker at all Sections Congresses since 1999: 1999, 2002, 2005, 2008, 2011
- IEEE-USA Finance Committee Member (budget for IEEE-USA)
- IEEE-USA Member Engagement Committee
- IEEE Center for Leadership Excellence (Involved in Authoring the Training for Treasurers, Affinity Group Chairs, & Consultants Network Chairs on the CLE website)
- Conducted 4 Training Webinars Live, now archived at <a href="http://ieeeusa.org/careers/webinars">http://ieeeusa.org/careers/webinars</a> (How Your Section Can Start an Employment Network, How Clients Find Consultants on IEEE-USA's Consultants' Database, Consulting 101, Consulting 102)

#### PART 5 – POSITION STATEMENT

#### If elected, I will:

Provide continuity on the Board.

#### If elected, I will continue to:

- 1. Encourage Initiatives and innovation.
- 2. Address the challenge of declining membership.
- 3. <u>Develop</u> more member engagement.
- 4. <u>Find new ways of generating income without raising dues</u> or increasing assessments. Some recent examples include the Consultants Database and the PE Review Courses.
- 5. <u>Focus</u> on our slogan "Building Careers and Shaping Public Policy". This can be done by working closely with industry leaders, academia, pre-college, and government.

#### PART 5 – POSITION STATEMENT

#### If elected, I will continue to:

- 6. <u>Critically review our current products</u>, programs, and services.
- 7. Work with EAB to create suitable educational products for members at all levels.
- 8. <u>Advance public policies that serve the needs</u> of the profession and our members.
- 9. <u>Communicate</u> IEEE-USA's programs, products, and services to our members.
- 10. <u>Support</u> communities of interest among our members and IEEE Boards and Committees.

### PART 6 – HERE ARE <u>THREE</u> RULES FOR VOTING

RULE 1
 IF YOU SEE A BLANK ON THE BALLOT



• RULE 1
IF YOU SEE A BLANK ON THE BALLOT,
VOTE FOR THE BLANK:

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• RULE 2
IF YOU ARE TRYING TO REMEMBER
HOW TO VOTE AND YOUR MEMORY
FOES BLANK . . .

VOTE FOR THE BLANK

RULE 2

IF YOU ARE TRYING TO REMEMBER HOW TO VOTE, AND YOUR MEMORY GOES <u>BLANK</u>... VOTE WITH YOUR MEMORY

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RULE 3
 IF YOUR MEMORY DRAWS A BLANK



RULE 3
 VOTE FOR <u>DR. NOTHING</u>



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