IEEE Region 3 – ExCom Meeting Web Conference – Minutes 21 February 2022 8:00-10:00pm

Attendees (* denotes ExCom voting member):

Theresa Brunasso*	Х	Eric Grigorian*		Pat Donohoe*	Х	Joe Pennisi *	х
Jill Gostin*	Х	James Imanian*	Х	Wyman Williams*	Х	Raul Ortega *	Х
Paul Kuban*	Х	Patrick Kung*		Nelson Lourenco*	Х	Sonya Dillard*	Х
Eric Ackerman*	Х	Kristin Bing*		Bill Ratcliff*	Х	David Fillion*	Х
Dave Green*	Х	Bailey Heyman*		Devon Gayle	Х	Sharlene Brown	Х
Bill LaBelle		Evelyn Licona	х	Lucas Sweet		Stephen Hopkins	
Gregg Vaughn		Ebonee Walker		Hulya Kirkici		Charles Lord	х
Jim Conrad		Warren Nicholson		Joe Juisai		Alessio Medda	
Claude Pitts		Eric Cramer	Х	Andrew Seely		Mark Torres	х
Allen Jones	Х	Tamseel Syed	Х	Bill Harrison		Damith Wickramamayake	
Steve Kemp		Don Wright		Jacquelyn Cunningham	х	Lee Stogner	х
Jiayi Lin		Mary Ellen Randall		Dave Conner		AJ Burke	
Paul Belussi		Larry Adams		Mohamed El-Sharkh		Annette Burney	х
Grayson Randall		Bob Hobbs		Don Hill	х	Earl McDonald	х
Matt Horrer		McCauley Osaisai	Х	Rich Kent		Christopher Burge	
Derik Pack		Angelo Ferraro		Jihye Bae		Rajeev Agrawal	х
Leandro Barajas	Х	Warren Mackey		Mike Puckett		Bob Bush	
David Griffith		Demetris Geddis		Allen Zheng		Jason Finn	
Stephen Morris		Dave Irons		Christopher Udeagha		Olugbenga Anubi	
Dan Bishop		Erica Simmonds		Melody Richardson		Parag Upadhyay	
Paul Goodson		Bruce Harvey		Andrew Seely		Masood Ejaz	
Steffen Camarato		Arup Kumar Ghosh	х	Michael Smith			

Agenda:

- 1) Director Brunasso called the meeting to order at 8:00pm.
- 2) The meeting agenda was approved.
- 3) The consent agenda, consisting of the minutes from the 24 January 2022 ExCom Meeting and reports listed in the information agenda, was approved.
- 4) Officer Reports
 - a) Director Report
 - i) Director Brunasso wished all U.S. IEEE members a Happy Engineers Week.
 - ii) Director Brunasso noted that IEEE membership is slowly recovering from the pandemic decline, with year over year membership increasing from a 3.4% increase last month to a 3.5% increase this month. The U.S. membership numbers continue to decline.
 - i) For the first time, we will celebrate IEEE Education Week (April 4-8) with both virtual and live educational events (https://educationweek.ieee.org/).
 - ii) Director Brunasso noted that IEEE continues to work on region realignment as the membership imbalance in the ten regions continues to grow. The current plan, which has not been finalized, is to reduce the number of U.S. regions from six to five.
 - b) Director-Elect Report

No report

c) Secretary Report

Secretary Donohoe has posted all submitted reports to the meeting website. The roll call was taken for the meeting.

d) Treasurer Report

2022 Treasurer Pennisi noted that there was not much activity in the Region 3 budget over the last month. All Sections have completed the NextGen reporting requirements prior to the deadline of February 28. Treasurer Pennisi thanked the Area Chairs for assisting their Sections in this process. Based on input from the Region 3 FinCom, we will transfer operating account funds in excess of \$250,000 to the Region 3 long-term investment account at the end of February.

e) Past Director Report

Past Director Gostin reminded the ExCom to submit nominations for Director-Elect by March 31.

- 2) Action Agenda no action agenda items
- 3) Discussion Agenda
 - a) SoutheastCon 2022 Program/Schedule

Director Brunasso has generated an initial schedule for our SoutheastCon 2022 region meetings. The schedule is currently being reviewed and the final version of the schedule should be out this week and posted to the conference website. A WIE breakfast is scheduled for Saturday morning. An HKN induction is on the schedule for Sunday morning.

b) SoutheastCon 2022 Update

Charles Lord provided an update on SoutheastCon 2022 planning as SoutheastCon 2022 Chair Warren Nicholson was unable to attend the ExCom meeting. A total of 220 papers have been submitted, 86 papers are in review, while a total of 56 papers have been accepted so far. The early registration numbers are: 2 attendees, 4 authors, 34 Region 3 volunteers, and 52 students. A total of 101 hotel rooms have been reserved with a total of 314 room days. The student software competition will be conducted by MIT (Battlecode) and will be administered virtually while Victor Basantes will be proctoring the event in person. The student activity on Discord has been heavy, with significant interest in the various student competitions. SAC Chair Bailey Heyman has been busy constructing a hardware competition track prototype and is working closely with the group in Mobile. Exhibitor income is projected to be \$48,500 (8 paid booths plus graduate schools and complimentary space for the local section). The MOVE truck will be exhibited indoors with tours on Friday and Saturday.

- 4) Review of Action Items From Last Meeting Bill Ratcliff has submitted the OAC review of the Conference Committee mentioned in the January ExCom, so that item is complete.
- 5) Old Business none
- 6) New Business Sharlene Brown has set up a Membership Development Kickoff Meeting (Webex) for Section Chairs and Section Membership Development Chairs on Thursday, February 24, 7:00-8:00pm EST.
- 7) The next ExCom meeting is scheduled for 21 March 2022 from 8:00-10:00pm EST.
- 8) The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 pm.