

Baltimore Section

April Executive Committee Meeting Report April 14, 2008



This report summarizes the meeting of the IEEE Baltimore Section Executive Committee (ExCom) held on April 14, 2008. Appendix 1 is the April 2008 ExCom Meeting Agenda.

1 Introductions

Bill Semancik called the meeting to order. A general introduction of attendees followed. There were 16 IEEE members in attendance. Appendix 2 is a listing of all attendees.

2 Executive Reports

2.1 Chair Report (Bill Semancik)

• No hot topics

2.2 Vice Chair Report (Dave Kisak)

§ Nothing to report

2.3 Treasurer Report (Helen Garrison)

• Financial report

2.4 Secretary Report (Anna Romaniuk)

• Nothing to report

3 Old Business

3.1 Presentation of a donation to the Historical Electronics Museum

Reported on the last month donations; There was motion to donate money to the museum. The annual donation to the museum got approved.

3.2 Summary of the Robot Challenge

Neville reported that the Robot challenge was very successful event again. There was overall summary of the robot challenge event. The full detailed scores were posted on the IEEE and Robot web-page.

3.3 Summary of the Chapter Chairs Dinner

Tom presented the plan for the chapter chairs dinner and awards

3.4 Summary of FPGA CEU course

Approve the expenses for the FPGA training

4 Discussion Topics

4.1 Proposal for a Morgan State Seniors Project

Proposal was presented and there was a long discussion regarding this project and the way to be sponsored by IEEE. Since this was presented in the last moment (only 3 days before the event) there was not enough time to get volunteers to attend this activity. There were multiple motions, but not well formed – decision was made to get IEEE involved with this activity next year and give the chapter more time to prepare for this project and have IEEE members judging the project next year. This is a great opportunity to get IEEE involved but need to start planning earlier.

4.2 Award Dinner in May – May 14

Tom presented the plan for the chapter chairs dinner and awards

4.3 Presentation asking for ideas for UMBC's Capstone program

John Pinkston from UMBS presented the UMBS Capstone program and asked for volunteers/mentors from IEEE. He is also looking to project ideas and suggestions. This program is intended to craft into a real engineering design development program which brings the students to the real world. He explained the there are 8 teams and he would like to solicit ideas for the senior projects that can help the student to get better understanding of the engineering profession. There was another lengthily discussion regarding previous experiences with this program – Jay talked about his previous experience, Neville also presented his view and precious experience. Bill is taking on this activity. No motion was passed.

4.4 Proposal for special section meeting with speaker for NASA's 50th anniversary

Ron is planning to bring a speaker from NASA in October or November and he will be coordinating the time and checking on speaker's availably.

5 Reports Highlight from Directors and Chapter Chairs

- Neville talked about the Robot challenge, trophies awards, feedback sheets and thank you notes from the teachers.
- Jay reported that there is 16 hours Robot video

- Ron reported on Signal Processing Society. He talked about the newsletter, meeting Wednesday –next meetings will be May 6 and 21,
- Ron reported on the status of the newspaper.

5.1 Topic for next time

6 New Action Item Summary

• No new action items.

7 Adjourn

Next meeting will be on June 9, 2008 with refreshments and casual discussion starting at 6 PM at the Historic Electronics Museum in Linthicum.

Appendix 1: April 2008 ExCom Meeting Agenda

1. Introduction

2. Executive Reports

- a. Chair (Bill Semancik)
- b. Vice Chair (Dave Kisak)
- c. Treasurer (Helen Garrison)
- d. Secretary (Anna Romaniuk)

3. Old Business

- a. Presentation of a donation to the Historical Electronics Museum
- b. Summary of the Robot Challenge
- c. Summary of the Chapter Chairs Dinner
- d. Summary of FPGA CEU course

4. Discussion Topics

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- b. Award Dinner in May May 14
- c. Presentation asking for ideas for UMBC's Capstone program
- d. Proposal for special section meeting with speaker for NASA's 50th anniversary

5. Highlights from Directors and Chapter Chairs, R2 Area Chair

6. Adjourn

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Appendix 2: April 2009 ExCom Meeting Attendees

IEEE Baltimore Section

ExCom Meeting

Date: 14 April 2008

#	Name	Position	Member (Y/N))	E-mail
1	Bill Semancik	Chair	Yes	wsemancik@ieee.org
2	Dave Kisak	Vice Chair	Yes	dkisak@ieee.org
3	Helen Garrison	Treasurer	Yes	helengarrison@ieee.org
4	Anna Romaniuk	Secretary	Yes	aromaniuk@ieee.org
5	Neville Jacobs	Student Activities	Yes	nevilleed@aol.com
6	Rachel Andre	R2 - GOLD	Yes	andrere@gmail.com
7	Walt Willing	Chair - Reliability	Yes	waltwilling@ieee.org
8	Ron Aloysius	Newsletter, SP Chair	Yes	ronald aloysius@ieee.org
9	Jay Gamerman	Student Activities	Yes	jay.gamerman@acrodyne.com
10	Nataki Roberts		Yes	_
11	Curtis Menyuk	Chair - ComSoc	Yes	menyuk@umbc.edu
12	Tayo Oyelade	Chair - PES	Yes	Olutayo.oyelade@constellation.com
13	Michael Pearse	Chair - Gold	Yes	michaelpearse@ieee.org
14	John Pinkston	UMBC	Yes	pinkston@umbc.edu
15	Wole Akpose	R2 Career/Employment	Yes	wole@ieee.org
16	Tom Patton	Awards	Yes	tpatton@ieee.org