March Meeting Minutes for Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) National Capital Area Council (NCAC)

Date: Tuesday 7 March 2000

Location: Allie's American Grill, Pooks Hill Marriott

Time: Dinner 6:00 PM, Section & NCAC meetings beginning at 6:30 PM

The NCAC meeting was called to order by chairman, Don Rickerson, with a request for the approval of the proposed agenda.

The previous meeting minutes were approved with corrections.

The treasurer, Saj Durrani, presented a new bare bones budget, which the section officers are currently reviewing. They requested additional back-up material and a detailed prioritization of each spending item. Additionally, Vince Williams reported that, in reviewing the Regional Activities Board (RAB) bylaws, only 12 people are eligible to vote on critical issues such as the NCAC budget. They are the 4 NCAC officers and 4 officers from each section. Also, he pointed out that the NCAC bylaws are not applicable because the RAB bylaws override them.

In other issues, the effort to acquire credit card merchant account for Scanner billings/tutorials is continuing and concentration banking issues were again postponed for consideration at a later time.

Chairman Report - Don Rickerson

- Both the NCAC and the Washington section have received confirmation that they will receive the rebate for timely report submission.
- The NCAC calendar, provided with the agenda, was reviewed, updated, and included in the minutes.
- The Region 2 meeting is the 11-12 March in Columbus, Ohio.
- Scanner Editors Contract ???
- The National Engineers Week Luncheon and Dinner went well. Don passed around quite a few pictures of the event. He reported that the speaker was excellent and Rex Klopfenstein was presented with "Engineer of the Year" award.

Standing/Ad Hoc Committee Reports:

Awards Banquet- Don Rickerson

Planning for the Awards Banquet is going along well. The keynote speaker will be Congresswoman Connie Morella, which should provide an exciting evening. It is particularly important is that we recruit as many table sponsors as possible to support the large guest list expected. It will be a formal affair, with IEEE President, Bruce Eisenstein also attending. Please RSVP to Jackie Hunter.

Conferences - Jerry Gibbon

Radar 2000 is coming up in May.

Membership Development - Howard Needham

Howard reported of a membership development conference that he attended and he brought back a variety of new membership materials, which were displayed for the group. He reported that the current IEEE membership stands at 359,000 members.

Professional Activities - PACE -

On February 28, Paul Hazan met with Ms Eileen Steinkraus, the Blair Magnet School coordinator in Montgomery County. Blair is interested in participating in the "Information Literacy" Sessions at the upcoming NCAC cosponsored Conference on Information Technology, to be held at Capitol College on November 3rd. Several candidate student projects were identified (e.g. The Maryland Virtual High School; and BEN, the Blair Educational Network) for possible inclusion in the IEEE Conference.

Ms Steinkraus will get back to us after she has contacted the various project teams at Blair, the week of March 20th. Meanwhile, Stanley Winkler and Paul Hazan are developing the Format and Content of the Sessions, which will include a Panel with audience participation, and a WEB page to extend the deliberations covering Information Literacy.

Dave Booth appointed as Chair of new Life Member Chapter till elections in May

University Relations- Ed Miller

- --18 Feb booth at U of MD
- --upcoming SPACS

Publications - SCANNER - Bill Kelly/Dave Booth/Ed Gordon

- --Bill Kelly Scanner Costs Report reflected in budget
- --New printer selected- Associates International
- --New Ad rates due
- -- Dummy issue 17 March
- -- Copy for May/June issue due 20 March

Liaison Reports:

Northern Virginia-Vince Williams

Budget decisions will be finalized in the near future.

Washington Section-Catherine Jordan

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Consultants Network--Jim Allen

The Consultants' Network is meeting tonight in Virginia. The next meeting will be at the Un of MD in College Park on March 21. See the web site for additional details – www.rebsig.com/ieee. As an aside, Congress is continuing to push for a larger and larger allotment of H1-B visa each year. The IEEE-USA has taken a strong position against any further increases at this time and will require e-mails and letters from each of us to the appropriate representatives in the near future. Please let me know if you are interested so that I can include you on my information list.

Unfinished Business

Contract with Scanner Managing Editor, Karen Winstedt

New Business

Under new business, Jim Allen submitted a bill of \$700. for payment of the annual dues for the Maryland High Technology Council. The "bare bones" budget, provided by the treasurer earlier in the meeting, had the membership development column for year 2000 zeroed out. ???

Next Month's Meeting: NCAC and NOVA Section Joint Meeting- 11 April 2000 - Tysons Corner

Respectfully submitted, James Allen Secretary, NCAC

Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Place	POC
07 Mar	6:30 pm	NCAC/Wash Sec	Bethesda, MD	
08 Mar	6:30 pm	NOVA Sec	Tysons Corner, VA	
10-11 Mar		R2 Meeting	Columbus, OH	
13-14 Mar	3:00 pm	Career Fair	Tysons Corner, VA	
15 Mar	3:00 pm	Career Fair	BWI	
16 Mar	3:00 pm	Career Fair	Bethesda, MD	
04 Apr	6:30 pm	Wash Sec	Bethesda, MD	
11 Apr	6:30 pm	NCAC/NOVA Sec	Tysons Corner, VA	
14 Apr		SPAC Mtg	George Mason Un	Ed Miller
15 Apr		Awards Banquet		Jackie Hunter
18-20 Apr		Career Fair	DC Conv Center	
28 Apr		SPAC Mtg	Howard Univ	Ed Miller

Attendance List

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