

IEEE Jackson, MS PES Chapter Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2012 12 noon to 1:15 pm Entergy Transmission Headquarter Building

Number of attendees: 31

Technical Presentation:

Topic: Enabling Communications for SmartGrid

Speaker: R. Bryan Seal, P.E.

Purpose of Meeting:

Technical Presentation and PES Chapter Business.

Meeting Details:

The agenda was covered and accompanied with a power point presentation after the Technical Presentation. The technical presentation lasted for 50 minutes with another 10 minutes of questions and answers. The discussions from the Jackson PES Chapter Business portion of the meeting are shown below:

1) *PDH*

The email from the Mississippi Section was shown which granted approval to provide PDH credits while the chapter is being approved. Tom stated that the sign in sheet will be posted on the Mississippi section website while awaiting approval. He stated that they would be placed on the Jackson PES Chapter website when the chapter has been approved. Certificates for the PDH credit were handed out.

2) Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The previous meeting minutes were distributed, shown in the presentation, and approved.

3) Old Items

a. Chapter Approval Status

Tom Field stated the official announcement of the chapter is expected by mid-April. All the signatures are validated for Chapters approval. The President of the PES gave approval to name the chapter the "Jackson PES Chapter". Emails with these facts were shown.

b. Technical Program

The technical topics to be covered in the next meetings were shown. Charles Ingram stated that he was talking to Siemens about the next presentations.

c. Volunteers

i. Chapter Officers

All the members running for office were introduced to the members and attendees. Elections will be held after the chapter's official approval (Expected by May). Tom F. stated that anyone that would like to run for an office should contact him to be put on the ballot.



ii. Committees

All the committee chairs were introduced. Tom stated that anyone that would like to chair the future conferences committee should contact him.

iii. Section Newsletter Editor

Tom stated that anyone that would like to be the IEEE Mississippi section newsletter editor should contact him. He stated that the newsletter editor would send out the newsletter for the section and include announcements for the chapter.

d. Logo

The logo being used for the chapter was shown. The website that the free art came from was shown. It was stated that a drawing of the Mississippi Capital building should be used. There was some discussion about improving the logo in the future.

e. Website

The shell of the website that Jameson Mitchell is putting together was shown and covered. It was stated that the URL for the website and the list-server cannot be obtained until the chapter becomes official.

4) New Items

a. Next Meeting

Everyone agreed to the next meeting to be held on March 11 from noon to 1 pm at the Entergy Transmission Headquarter Building in Jackson. The presenter for the next meeting will be Siemens. Mark Boyd stated that the topic will either be on surge arresters or circuit breakers.

b. Other Items

There were no other new items

5) Adjourn