

- Minutes -
IEEE Executive Meeting of 4-23-2003 at Maxwell's Restaurant

Members present:

Paul Tindall, Bob Molthen, Glen Wrate, John Gassert, Bill Henning, Larry Hause, Rod Elger and Hue Tran

Guests: Sylvia Wrate and Rick Missiner, P.E.

Paul Tindall called meeting to order at 11:40 with an agenda of 12 items.

No secretary's report was given because the secretary was unable to attend.

Bob Molthen presented the treasurer's report with year-to-date expenses of \$18,562 and income of 10,290. The yearly rebate has not been received from IEEE.

Hue Tran presented the status to the car-robotic project that will be at MSOE in room S341 on May 3rd. He reported that the project has full participation of 20 students and estimated that the budget will break even. He invited members of the committee to come for lunch which will have a Robot Show with winning demonstrations that can be observed. He expressed thanks to the section and Region 4 for support.

Rick Missener is recruiting senior members. He said this might help revive lapsed members. It requires the signatures of three members to promote an applicant to senior status. The reported advantages of senior status were: 1) 'looks' good on resume and 2) required for ABET participation. John Gassert suggested offering a reward for the member who can recruit the most new members by June 15th will win a free ticket to the Brewer's Game. It was decided that all members can compete.

Sylvia Wrate reported that the Miller Park event has sold 6 tickets to date. Since many tickets remain available, Paul Tindall recommended extending the recruitment award to student branches. The committee approved the extension of the new member offer with two free tickets to the student chapter that can recruit the most new members by June 15th (note: yearly membership is half price at this time).

Sylvia Wrate also discussed preferences for the Christmas party which should be organized at this time. The Zoo, Rep, golf or gambling were mentioned. She reported that last year's family night at the zoo attracted 120 attendees – the most ever. She said that last year's income was about \$1300 and costs were about \$2600. This was considered reasonable and a vote to repeat the party at the zoo was unanimous.

EMC and EMBS chapters reported successful conferences in April with 85 and 98 attendees, respectively.

Paul Tindall reported that the student night has not been scheduled for April as usual and recommended a fall-date. It was suggested that the student night could be combined with the employment seminar in fall.

John Gassert reported the results of an organizational meeting among he, Russ Meier and Sat Basu of Region 4 regarding an Electronic Information Technology (EIT) conference in April of 2004. He reported that the session was productive and that R4 would provide \$10,000 seed money. In 2003 the Indiana section is co-sponsoring EIT in their section with \$1000. John said that he would like to coordinate the events that our section traditionally holds in April. The conference typically draws about 100 attendees and the total budget is about \$18,000.

Joe Battocletti (Memorial Award Chair) submitted the nominations of Chuck Rohrer (Webmaster and previous Chair) and Larry Hause (Past Chair) for Section Memorial Awards in 2004. Both were approved by unanimous vote.

A new IEEE women's Affinity group that is organizing in this area sent a letter to IEEE Milwaukee. Rod Elger recommended that we invite them to send a representative our next Executive Committee meeting. All agreed.

A letter of request for conference funds was received from the student branch at UWM. It was agreed that the section should not to sponsor this or other conference fees or travel because this is not consistent with our charter.

Larry Hause and Val Werner were appointed to an ad hoc committee to study methods to streamline the newsletter so that it can provide timely announcements for events in the section and chapters. Scribe will buy a beer at next exec meeting for any member who reads this & responds by email. A report is scheduled for the August Executive committee meeting.

Paul Tindall reported a notice from the national IEEE office regarding the need to up date the By-Laws of IEEE Milwaukee. He will mail a template to committee members. Larry Hause will search files for a copy of our previous By-Laws.

Paul Tindall called for adjournment with unanimous approval at 12:51.

Respectfully Submitted by LL Hause, Scribe