# IEEE New Zealand Central Section Committee Meeting

## 2 December 2021 - 04:10pm - 4:48pm

The meeting was held via Zoom.

# **ATTENDEES** Mei, Yi

Bailey, Donald
Milner, Murray
Zhang, Fangfang
Huang, Kun
Zhang, Mengjie
Xue, Bing
Gui, Xiang
Harris, Richard
Zaida, Kanwal
Zhang, Fanglue
Chang, Yuan
Costa, Joao
Maclachlan, Jorde

MacLachlan, Jorden Mishra, Sanjib

### APOLOGIES

Sarkar, Nurul

Nguyen Hoai, Bach

Chen, Qi

Lensen, Andrew

### AGENDA

- 1. Welcome / Apologies
- 2. Minutes of the last meeting
- 3. Matters arising
- 4. Chairs report
- 5. Finance report
- 6. Industry Coordination report
- 7. Membership report
- 8. Webmaster report
- 9. Affiliate group reports (YP, WIE, LM)
- 10. Student Branch reports
- 11. Chapter reports
- 12. Other business
- 13. Next meeting

Next meeting: Thursday 3 February 2022 commencing at 4:10pm, via Zoom at https://vuw.zoom.us/j/95114487623

	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1	Welcome/Apologies  The Chair welcomed members to the last committee meeting for 2021. Welcome to three new committee members: Sanjib, Joao and Jorden. The apologies as recorded above were accepted.	
2	Minutes of the last committee meeting	Moved as accepted (Yi, seconder Murray)
3	<ul> <li>A vote of thanks was noted from Donald for the Postgraduate Symposium organisation by Fangfang, Kun and Yuan – received with acclaimation.</li> <li>Donald also noted a vote of thanks for the AGM organisation by Yi – again received with acclaimation.</li> </ul>	
4	<ul> <li>Chair's Report</li> <li>We successfully had the PG Symposium in 26 Nov. Thank you very much for your great support, everyone!</li> <li>We successfully had the AGM on 26 Nov. All the roles will continue in the next year.         <ul> <li>We welcome our two new nominated Webmasters: Joao Costa and Jordan MacLachlan!</li> <li>We welcome our new industrial coordinator: Sanjib Mishra!</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
5	Finance Report  Here is the finance report for this month:  Expenses: WIE support \$110.00 Joint Institute Breakfast \$255.00 Postgrad Symposium \$409.90  Income: Interest \$ 0.47  Balance NZ\$18882.49	Moved as accepted (Yi, seconder Donald)

	Expenses still to come this year:	
	AGM dinner costs	
	Postgraduate membership grants	
	Nextgen banking:	
	Interest: US\$1.67	
	Balance US\$6675.31	
	Industry Coordination Report	
	<ul> <li>Costs for the Combined Institutions breakfast event</li> </ul>	
6	have been resolved.	
	<ul> <li>Another successful combined event was held on</li> </ul>	
	Wednesday 24 November on the subject of the State	
	Sector Decabonisation Fund presented by EECA.	
	Membership Report	
	Current membership numbers are as follows:	
	Active members in 2019: 264	
	<ul> <li>Active members in 2020: 266</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Active members as at February 2021: 221</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Active members as at March 2021: 231</li> </ul>	
	Active members as at April 2021: 247	
	Active members as at May 2021: 250	
7	Active members as at June 2021: 253	
	<ul> <li>Active members as at July 2021: 254</li> </ul>	
	Active members as at August 2021: 255	
	Active members as at September 2021: 256	
	Active members as at October 2021: 263	
	Active members as at October 2021, 203     An increase of 7 members – 3 Postgraduates and 4	
	members.	
	members.	
	Overall Membership continues to progress well.	
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	Webmaster Report	
	NOVEMBER 2021 WEBMASTER REPORT	
	State Sector Decarbonisation Fund - An Enabler for	
	Change - Joint Institution Event web and an eNotice	
	for that event	
	2. Added the updated Minutes page with the November	
	4th ZOOM Meeting to the website.	
	3. Added the announcement of the Women in	
8	Engineering new joint virtual event.	
	4. Updated the webpage moving recent events over to	
	the past events section.	
	5. Added the AGM details to our site based on the draft	
	provided by Murray, Yi and myself.	
	6. Updated the Committee page to show the incoming	
	people for 2022.	
	7. Added a new folder for 2022 documents when they	
	are generated for next year.	

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	<ol><li>Prepared CDs for sending to the new Webmasters of the final December website.</li></ol>	
	Affinity Group Reports	
9	<ul> <li>Nothing to report.</li> <li>MIE         <ul> <li>Another successful event was held on 26 November, although the clash with the Postgraduate Symposium meant that some local section members were unable to participate.</li> <li>The presentation was entitled Navigating Competitive Grant Application Processes with presenters Dr. Roba Abbas, School of Business, University of Wollongong, Australia and Prof. Katina Michael, School for the Future of Innovation in Society, Arizona State University, US</li> <li>It was suggested that the event could be repeated</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>early in the new year.</li> <li>LM</li> <li>Murray is still to investigate the potential for a NZ LMG.</li> </ul>	Murray to investigate the potential to establish a NZ LM Group.
	Student Branch Reports	
10	The Postgraduate Symposium was a most successful event with thanks to Fangfang, Kun and Yuan.	
	Chapter Reports	
	The following Chapter Chairs have been identified (repeated for convenience):	
11	<ol> <li>Computational Intelligence Chapter: Mengji Zhang</li> <li>Power and Energy Chapter: Ramesh Rayudu</li> <li>Joint Signal Processing/Information Theory Chapter: Yusuke Hioka</li> <li>Joint Instrumentation and Measurement Chapter: Andrew Taberner</li> <li>Joint Communications Chapter: Nurul Sarkar</li> <li>Joint Robotics and Automation: Ho Seok Ahn (new Chair).</li> </ol>	
	Comsoc Chair report	
	<ol> <li>2021 IEEE NZ Wireless Workshop: held on 19         November 2021 (9:00 am to 5:30 pm) at             Maclaurin Lecture Theatre 102, Victoria             University of Wellington, Kelburn Campus was a             highly successful event.     </li> </ol>	

	2. IEEE STEM Ambassador Activities: I am actively	
	participating in the IEEE STEM Ambassador	
	professional Activities, including signing up for	
	TryEngineering Newsletter	
	( <a href="https://tryengineering.org/">https://tryengineering.org/</a> ) and contributing to	
	the forum.	
	Computational Intelligence	
	Two events are scheduled for the month of December as follows:	
	IVCNZ: https://www.ivvy.com.au/event/C8KG9Q/hom	
	<u>e.html</u>	
	FPT: https://parallel.auckland.ac.nz/fpt21/	
	No other Chapter reports were available.	
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	Other Business	
12	The Region 10 TENCON: <a href="https://tencon2021.com">https://tencon2021.com</a> conference	
	will be held virtually during December and is hosted by the	
	North Section.	
	Next Meeting	
	Committee meetings will be held regularly on the first	
	Thursday of each calendar month commencing at 4:10pm (to	
13	accommodate some lecturing commitments) and held using	
	Zoom unless otherwise communicated.	
	Hence the next committee meeting will be held on Thursday 3	
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