Santa Clara Valley Section Executive Committee Meeting 7 November 2012

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## SCV ExCom Meeting Minutes - 7 November 2012

Cogswell College, Sunnyvale, CA

## Attendance Count: 25 (see Attendee Roster at end of these minutes)

The Chair, Brian Berg, called the meeting to order at 6:15pm.

## Acceptance of 3 October Meeting Minutes (Brian Berg)

The minutes as circulated were accepted without objection.

#### **Acceptance of Meeting Agenda (Brian Berg)**

The agenda as circulated was accepted without objection.

#### Nominations and Awards (Jeffrey Pawlan)

- Presentation of awards
- To *Brian A Berg,* at Section, Central Area and Region 6 levels for "Advancing Technology for Humanity – For Outstanding Leadership and Professional Service Award"
- To Tom Coughlin, at Section level for
- "Special Award with appreciation for leadership of multiple events and activities
- To Ed Aoki, Central Area Chair Special Award for
  - "IEEE Meritorious Service with extreme dedication and passion"
- To Texas Instrument,s Central Area Award for
  - "Outstanding Corporate Service to IEEE"
- To *University of Hawaii/Manoa*, Island of Oahu, Central Area Award for "Best Student Branch"
- {Side comment Chapters/Societies don't have a wall on which to hang the award; it was suggested that an image of the award be posted on the SCV Section Website, on the first page, and then archive}
- To SCV-Computer Society Central Area Award for
  - "Best Chapter of the Year" to be presented at the CS meeting at Faz Restaurant tonight

#### Reliability Society Chapter (RS, Mike Silverman)

Not present

#### Solid State Circuits Society Chapter (SSCS, Sachin Desai)

- Presented:
  - Names of the ExCom officers
  - Photos of some Technical Meetings
  - Chapter Website
  - Financial Status and Demographics
  - o Some details of their 6 Technical Meetings in 2012, to date

#### CAS/SSCS Short Course Funding Request (Shahram Mahdavi - CAS)

- Sat, Nov. 10
- Anticipate shortfall of \$1000 due to an honorarium arrangement and very short notice
  - It was suggested that the SSCS might contribute support



- The Co-Sponsors were invited to come back in December to review the finances and determine whether any additional funding were required
- Moved by Ed Aoki and Seconded by Kiran Gunnam, that this Short Course be approved and that the Co-Sponsors return in December to report. Unanimously approved.

#### <u>Vehicular Technology Society Chapter (VTS, Dhaval Brahmbhatt and Kim Parnell)</u>

- Presented
  - o the names of the proposed ExCom officers [ currently lacking a Treasurer ]
  - Chapter Website
    - Comment by Dhaval the present URL is cumbersome
  - Financial Status [ funds were transferred to IEEE CBRS ]
  - Demographics
- Clay Maynard was thanked for his years of support and leadership
  - Clay's wife Marilyn provided some perspective on the true impact that Clay has made over the years
  - Details of 2 Technical Meetings in August and in October
  - o Photo of a demo hydrogen fueled car that was shown at the October meeting
  - o Planned meetings for 2013: 4 through June, including a Tesla plant visit
  - Section Chair Brian Berg presented a glass EEPROM/Flash Memory IEEE Milestone plaque to Clay as a thank you for the support given to the IEEE Milestone video by the VTS chapter

## <u>IEEE/Computer History Museum (CHM) Relationship and IEEE Engineering Milestones</u> <u>Report (Dick Ahrons)</u>

- Milestones report
  - Ampex Video Recorder Milestone
    - It has been tough to get a champion for this
    - Paul Wesling suggested the city of Redwood City as a possible milestone plaque installation site
  - Apple Milestone
    - no responses from a Director in PR
  - A plaque for the EEPROM/Flash Memory will be installed soon at the CHM outside of the Hahn Auditorium (Brian Berg is handling this)
- Off-topic plua:

Computer Society chapter talk November 14, 2012 at Cadence:

Crime.com: Post-Modern Criminal Behavior

{Comment on multiple Chapter events on the same night – any way to view/monitor?}

# SJSU Spartan Racing Formula (IC) SAE Program Report (Kevin Krakauer with Vince Donatini, Team Manager)

- Provide opportunities for applied practical engineering experience.
- Approximately 60 students involved
- Links to industry such as with Tesla
- Internal Combustion engine (IC)
- Many courses related (primarily Mechanical Engineering 90+% with Civil Engineering, Materials Science, Physics, and one EE98)

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- First year with a data acquisition team primary focus for funding request applicable to both chassis (IC and Electrical)
- Project costs for Last year: \$65K; this year: \$75K
- Who else is funding: Majority is materials/components: \$35K in cash from personal individual donations; searching for industrial sponsors
- Building 2 chassis in Nebraska
- Electric sub-team is developing electric power train
- This program has a separate website
- Going to Tesla for a design review
- Recommend exchanging contact information for sharing contacts and ideas
- Ed Aoki moved and Sachin Desai seconded the proposal that we grant the SJSU Formula SAE team \$1000. A report in January/February 2013 is expected. Approved unanimously.

#### **SCV Section Election Update (Ram Sivaraman)**

- Ram has received nominations/candidates for all elected positions with 2 nominees for PACE Chair
  - It was noted that the PACE Chair is the only PACE elective office the other positions are appointed by the PACE Chair

## <u>COMSOC/CAS Joint Funding Week-End Workshop (September 29) Report (Sameer Herlekar)</u>

- Follow-up re: the following meeting motion from the Sept. ExCom meeting:
- "Ed Aoki motioned that SCV provide a provisional grant to ComSoc of \$1000 to subsidize students and unemployed attendees. ComSoc will provide a report following the event (within 30 days) detailing any surplus that will be refunded up \$1000. Kim Parnell seconded, and the Motion passed unanimously."
- The event attracted a peak of 90 with 55 paid registrations. The grant check was not needed and will be destroyed; CBRS will be instructed to VOID the check.
- Event was Next Generation Circuit & Systems, Communication and Sensor Technologies in Mobile Devices, held on Sat, Sept. 29, at Santa Clara Univ.

#### Nanotechnology Council (Dhaval Brahmbhatt, Anshul Vyas of Santa Clara Univ.)

- Nanovation: From Science to Startups (8<sup>th</sup> Annual Half-Day Symposium)
- Event was held on Sat. 27 October: 9am-5pm. UC Berkeley
  - 9 speakers/affiliations listed
  - 55 students registered with 33 showing up
  - 26 non-student (paid) registrants showed up
  - Cost per student registrant was \$30
  - NTC is requesting a \$1000 grant to subsidize the students.

{ Off-Topic: SFBAC NTC held a live annual election at its last meeting}

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#### Officer Reports

#### **Chair (Brian Berg)**

- Congratulations to *Tom Coughlin*, our new Region 6 Director-Elect!
  - Tom had over 60% of the votes
- Congratulations to *Jeffrey Pawlan* who was named by the MTT Society as Distinguished Microwave Lecturer for the triennium 2013-2015
  - MTT was impressed by his lecture An Introduction to Software Defined Radio for Microwave Engineers
  - Jeffrey will deliver 5-7 talks per year, give a talk at the Winter Technical Meeting and contribute an article to the *Microwave* Magazine
- Congratulations to Kim Parnell who was just named as a Fellow of ASME, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers! The citation was for "Service to the Community".
- Hurricane Sandy has hit IEEE and its membership hard
  - o Impact on listservers, ieee.org aliases, SAMIEEE and vTools
  - o Impact on chapter elections is huge
  - o Paul Wesling will report on this later in the meeting
- R6 Women in Engineering (WIE) upcoming event
  - o Google, Mtn. View: 23-24 January 2013
  - o Hopefully this event will provide the spark to review our WIE AG chapter

## Vice Chair (Ed Aoki)

- SFBAC: Preparation for Officers Training Event (26 January 2013 at Michaels, Mtn. View) Changing SAMIEE course from descriptive to "how-to" of SAMIEEE course, focusing on the election process and demographics reports. No easy way to determine the variables, filters and values to use. A reference chart in Excel has been prepared to provide the data architecture. Ed will prepare a short "how-to" session for 2013.
- The SCV Section query resulted in a request by SCV-TMC to have a webmaster session.
- SFBAC approved the payment to Michaels of a deposit for the 2013 event.
- Extra easels and Flip Charts were distributed to Chapters (SCV-CS, -LMAG, -NTC and -CPMT) to use as necessary and store for use by other SCV Chapters and Section, saving future per-item daily expenses of \$15-20 for easels and \$25-50 for Flip Chart holders.

#### Treasurer (Sachin Desai)

- No Report with no access to CBRS data.
- For the Chapter Treasurers, Sachin plans to provide a 4 quarter action plan description for SFBAC Officers Training

#### **Secretary (Jay Banwait)**

Excused

#### PACE (Kiran Gunnam)

- Technical Meeting, October 18
  - Accelerating Analog Design, co-sponsored with SCV-SSC
  - 121 attendees; Sachin noted that the registration rate jumped when PACE posted the notice.
- Career Networking Dinner November 6, 2012 at the Sneha Restaurant



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- o Downtime on the IEEE ListServ reduced registration
- o 20 pre-registered and 15 showed up
- Planned meeting, with presentation by Manuel Ilagan (name submitted as PACE Chair candidate)
  - Format: Q/A forum
- Starting up a employment sub-group within PACE with activities such as mock interviews;
   with Manuel Ilagan acting as Project Leader
  - Planning on requesting \$500 from PACE/Region 6
- Trying to arrange a consistent venue

#### **Committee Reports**

#### **IEEE Infrastructure Workarounds (Paul Wesling)**

• Paul created substitutes for meeting webpages for any chapter with a web account starting with "EWH..."

#### K-12/Science Fairs (Lee Colby; Paul Wesling)

- Student Noorsher Ahmed has successfully established an IEEE presence at Lynbrook High School
  - called the Lynbrook Engineering Club
  - o 30 students are signed up
  - Lee is soliciting help from the SCV Society/Council/Affinity Groups in providing speakers, advisors, etc., for at least 9 special interest groups
  - Those SIGs include: Robotics, Open Source (Linux, Cloud), Waste Disposal, Hydrogen Fuel Cell, Solar/PV, MATE's ROV (MBARI), Art and Engineering, Apps, Radio/Communications/ARRL
  - o Funds might be requested; Paul Wesling has suggested that they tap the parents
  - Lynbrook is near Johnson Avenue/Rainbow Drive in southwest San Jose

#### Forum on Motivating Our Students: How to Make It Happen (LMAG, Lee Colby)

Report on Forum on Motivating Our Students: How to Make It Happen which was

- Held on Oct. 13 at the Santa Clara County Education Office
- Approximately 100 attended
- Opening remarks were made by Dr. Peter Staecker, 2012 IEEE President-Elect Many signups to help supervise volunteers BUT really need volunteers to work in the classroom.

#### Central Area (Mustafa Mortezaie, Central Area Student Activities Chair)

- This year's Central Area/Region 6 meetings:
  - Spring: Held in April at UCSC
    - MicroMouse competition, Student Design Contest, Student Paper Contest
    - Both Region 6 Director Elect candidates spoke: Tom Coughlin and Paul Kostek
  - Fall: Held in October at Chico State University
    - Student Leadership training
    - Industry Advisory Committee was meeting on site to provide a panel on "What industry is looking for from recent graduates"





- What Region 6 needs to provide for students (Mike Andrews)
  - Add Design Competition or Paper Competition

#### Membership Development (Kim Parnell and Ken Doniger)

- Provided Membership materials to be distributed at Nanovation at UC Berkeley
- Increase dues paying membership by converting Affiliate and Associate members to regular member

## Webmaster (Jared Petrie)

- Several contacts with IEEE-HQ-IT have been established.
- While the ListServ is down the spam filtering is inactive
- Working on SFBAC webmaster session at 2013 Training Event.
- Contemplating a separate webmaster-only meeting in 2 parts.

#### **GOLD (Jared Petrie)**

- Successes
  - September 22: Professional Development
    - 45-50 attendees with overall satisfaction
  - October 30: Laser Tag

#### Senior Member Advancement (Jack Berg)

Not present

#### SFBAC (Ed Aoki, SFBAC Secretary)

- SFBAC ran 6 months without an ExCom meeting; Shirin Tabatabai (SF Section) has replaced Dan Sparks (SF Section) as Chair
  - Mike Butler (SF Section) will be acting as back-up to Shirin.
- Paul Wesling/Tom Coughlin noted that SFBAC responded to Paul Kostek with Global Humanitarian Technology Conference (GHTC 2013) MOU-Rev B
  - In discussion: funds were set aside for free registration and free travel for students/NGOs
  - To be thought about: SCV Section (through SFBAC) might lose substantial funds without much influence on policy with the present MOU

#### **GRID Editor (Paul Wesling)**

- IEEE member distribution: e-Notice (IEEE-HQ)
- IEEE ListServ: (IEEE-HQ)
- If a non-IEEE ISP is used, Paul has a limit of 600 addresses at a time.
- May have to set up Paul's server.
- Of the ~ 200 names in the SCV Section ExCom, 60+ have IEEE aliases.
- e-Grid Revenue may hit \$70K.

#### Old Business

No old business

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#### **New Business**

## **GOLD Funding Request (Anshul Bansal)**

- \$1000 funding request
- Of the 4 GOLD events held so far in 2012, all have lost money
- Moved by Anshul Bansal and Seconded by Tom Coughlin that we grant GOLD \$1000.
   Approved unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:07 PM.
Minutes respectfully submitted by Ed Aoki, acting Secretary.

• Next Meeting: 5 December 2012, Cogswell College Board Room

## **Chapter Reports for 5 December 2012 (Max. 6 Minutes each)**

- 1. Reliability Society
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.



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