



Buenaventura Section OpCom Meeting Agenda

May 23, 2011 at Pickles Restaurant, Newbury Park CA

Attending:

Karl Geiger (Section Chair, CS Vice Chair), Bridge Carney (Section Vice Chair), Zak Cohen (Section Secretary), , Steve Johnson (Section Chair Emeritus), Jerry Knotts (LMAG Chair), Doug Askegard (Section Programs and Awards), Jim Leatham (Section PACE Events), Momin Quddus (MTTS Chair),

Absent:

Albert Wolfkiel (Treasurer), Sunil Pai (Aerospace Chair), Craig Reinhart (Computer Chair), Abigail Corrin (EMBS Chair), David Viveiros (EDCAS Chair), Karl Meier (Robotics Chair), Victor Lin (ComSoc Chair), Yesenia Illescas (Webmaster)

Meeting called to order by Karl Geiger, at 6:35 P.M.

Section Business

1. Previous Meeting Minutes - Zak Cohen

Previous meeting minutes accepted with no changes. No objections.

2. Treasurer's Report - A. Wolfkiel

No report - treasurer absent

3. LAC Report - Bridge Carney

There was no LAC meeting held this month

4. Membership Development Update - Bridgeman Carney

The new members list for April identified 17 new members including 10 students. They will be contacted to welcome them to the section.

Doug, Karl, and Bridge attended the regional MD conference. Items discussed included statistics on member retention. Most members do not know of all the benefits of membership. These include Dell discounts and insurance. The IEEE suggests having fewer meetings with greater membership engagement.

Karl will construct a questionnaire, from V.tools, to be sent out to members that will test and advise the members of benefits of IEEE membership. Karl will submit the questionnaire to the committee before sending it out.

Old Business

1. ED/CAS update

Tabled to next meeting.

2. Fall dinner event discussion

It was discussed and decided that the fall event, on the Smart Grid, should be used as a PACE and a P&E event. Jerry suggested that it should be considered an educational event. We should also try to get other groups to participate in the event, such as LAC and other sections. We should attempt to get SCE to fund the event, as they have training budgets that need to be used. LAC has funds that can also be accessed for events.

The event should be held during the week of October 24-28, 2011. The venue is open. The target is for 100+ members and the public to attend. Jerry, Jim and Bridge will act as the committee of the whole, with the rest of the section officers as supporting committee members.

3. EMBS Student funds

This item is tabled to the next meeting.

4. Senior Member Elevation Event - Update

The event is planned for June 18th at the Thousand Oaks Library from 10 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. To date there are eight interviewees and seven interviewers. Bridge is continuing to find more interviewees and interviewers.

New Business:

1. Budget Discussion - 2-year snapshot

This item is tabled to the next meeting

2. Discussion on RAS restart

There will be a RAS restart meeting on May 26th. More information will be provided when available.

3. R6 Awards

Doug requests that the section nominates an engineer, section, supporting company or student branch for regional honors to be awarded at the next regional meeting.

We need to submit names by the end of the month. Karl will write up our section for section of the year. Other suggestions will be sent to Doug.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Submitted by Zak Cohen, Secretary