**Date**: January 11, 2021

**Time**: 6:30 - 8:30

# Attendees

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|  | Jerry Knotts |  |  |
| Chuck Seabury | Karl Geiger | S.K. Ramesh |  |
| Deron Johnson | Mohammad Tehrani |  |  |
| Doug Askegard | Momin Quddus | Victor Lin |  |
| Howard Turner |  |  |  |

\*by phone

# Event Scheduling

<http://www.ieee-bv.org/conferences-and-events/>

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| **Schedule** | **Chapter** | **Location** | **Contact** |
| 1st Tue of month | Entrepreneurship | Hub101 | Doug A. |
| 1st Wed of month | RAS/IAS | CLU |   |
| 2nd Tue of month | Communications | Skyworks |  |
| 2nd Wed of month | Computer | La Reina | Deron J. |
| 3rd Tue of month | Microwave | Skyworks | Momin Q |
| 3rd Thu of month | Aerospace | Hub101 | Mohammad T. |
| Last Mon of month | Section OpCom | Nathalie & Doug’s | - |
| Last Tue of month | ED/CAS | Skyworks | Cristian C. |
| Last Wed of month | EMBS | La Reina  | Bob R.  |
| Last Thu of month | Photonics | Hub101 | Doug A. |

# Calendar of Chapter Meetings

<http://www.ieee-bv.org/chapter-events/>

# Minutes from Previous Meeting

* Accepted with no changes

**Current Highlights**

* None reported **Treasurer’s Report**
* Minimal activity: StorQuest rental; interest income.
* StorQuest
	+ The space is now in Karl’s name with ownership contact information set to IEEE HQ in New Jersey.
	+ StorQuest offers no pay-in-advance option. Payment continues at a month-to-month lease. The monthly rental fee is $102.
	+ All automatic payments now debit Karl’s IEEE credit card
* Expenses
	+ Latest information is available in [Google Docs](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1k9A58FV2cbB6csIG70aPrNVaABxlyWp5vjYRX9s3oRI/view)
* **Please sign up for IEEE Google suite tools**
	+ Log onto your IEEE account and set up your IEEE.ORG identity; see<https://www.ieee.org/membership/connection.html>
	+ This will allow you to see all the accounting info on-line
	+ Link to the Section Google drive folders
	+ Deron will put together a short document about how to access files in Google Drive. It can be a bit confusing since you need to be logged in with the correct account.
	+ Monthly reports will still be available at the OpCom meeting.
		- [Chapter Budget Tracking Spreadsheet](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1lQ1g1JLoX-qKv-dPDChtxrEKeY1xFJ5VKf9h6unoJ-k/edit?usp=sharing)
		- [Section Budget Tracking Spreadsheet](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1k9A58FV2cbB6csIG70aPrNVaABxlyWp5vjYRX9s3oRI/edit?usp=sharing)
		- [2020 Sustainability Project Budget Tracking Spreadsheet](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1eVTMeaqgeq_K5r6U3p6Jgk3t-5z3H8nyQBjVGErB9u4/edit?usp=sharing)

**Report from the Section Nominating Committee**

* Nomination requests sent out in December. Thank you Ramesh for providing a slate of additional names to contact.
* Doug will be Vice Chair
* Momin will be Chair
* Karl will continue as treasurer
* Deron will be secretary
* Howard made a motion to accept both nominations
	+ Passed unanimously.
* Deron will update vTools officers.

**R6 OpCom**

* Jan 29-30 online
* Deron received a "save the date" E-mail from Tim Lee (new R6 Director) and Charlie Jackson (Southern Area Chair). Momin or Deron will distribute information on how to sign up once we receive it.

**Upcoming Chapter Meetings**

* EMBS - Plans with Southern Alberta Section in January

**Section Activities**

* For upcoming local events, chapters can use WebEx if they would like, or any remote access platform they have access to
	+ **There is a BV Section IEEE WebEx account**
	+ Contact Deron information about it
	+ It is only for IEEE business

**STEM Activities**

* Going slowly, illness not Covid is causing some delays
* Goal is have an in person event in the fall and to spend the grant money on that an online events by the end of 2021
* **Previous status**
	+ A test with 1 school and one teacher will be first
		- Microbit project will be the workshop
		- Steve Case and Sana Sarfraz will help
* There will be a virtual Science Fair for VCOE
	+ Karl created some [STEM playlists](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCB1Gc-KuIBX4-lf956CblKQ/playlists) on the Section’s YouTube Channel. These feature compilations of existing videos:
		- [S](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLscDadriOR-r-ZgP6QXTfZUvGAuQ2AXDH)TEM – Rockets!
		- [STEM – DIY Robots!](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLscDadriOR-ql4w-wZHmAeipycndoS7Cf)
		- [STEM – Home Electricity](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLscDadriOR-r3qE2UvXiGDOosCOOuQCFx)
		- [STEM – Magnets](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLscDadriOR-p9wWBAaDXOASSAshgd8dRz)
		- Karl asked for more playlist ideas. Ramesh suggested looking at the “Try Engineering” program. See [https://tryengineering.org](https://tryengineering.org/)
		- The portal is being updated for a January 2021 launch which will include a live panel discussion with 2021 President Kathy Land, Ramesh and others. This is scheduled for January 27.
		- Link for registration: <https://event.on24.com/eventRegistration/EventLobbyServlet?target=reg20.jsp&partnerref=EM20210107janmailerimage&mkt_tok=eyJpIjoiTlRWbFptVTRZbUprTmpoaSIsInQiOiJndVBkWERvNlwvSlFWbzRCXC9uT1JsbmRtcXRTVUtIbVJiRUV6QUJjbkJZaTdSSHFmYlVaUW1HTjZpYlZsSWJ5VlczcVBXOVhzckh5Zk4rdmtUTnVSWnJ1MU51Y2dJcGtCT0xyb2w2akdWY01ydzJkN3o2dEp0MWJrc3dia3RuWEVVIn0%3D&eventid=2516989&sessionid=1&key=319D78A2045B3F68DED7A8D5502184B2&regTag=&V2=false&sourcepage=register>
		- More suggestions welcome.

**Other: Ramesh expressed thanks on behalf of the Section Excom to Deron and Howard for their dedicated service and leadership as the BV Section Chair and Secretary respectively. We are fortunate to have such dedicated volunteer leaders to serve our members.**

**Next Meeting: February 22**

**Focus topic:**