IEEE Buenaventura Section

OpCom Meeting Minutes

# June 7, 2021

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## Attendees

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| Doug Askegard | Momin Quddus |
| Karl Geiger | S. K. Ramesh |
| Deron Johnson | R. Sudhan |
| Jerry Knotts | Mohammad Tehrani |

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

## Local Highlights

Computer

• Will have a speaker on July 14 discussing an information security topic.

Entrepreneurship

• Jerry reported the July 6 speaker will be Kristin Bell, who manages Hub101. Hope to get LMAG members to be mentors. Will work with Ramesh for August. There were 59 attendees at Bitcoin meeting.

• Momin mentioned he will be repeating the Bitcoin talk for the Central Coast Section on June 16.

• Dr. Ali Khaddemhosseini (CEO of the Terasaki Institute) is a possible speaker for Entrepreneurship, suggested by Mohammad and Ramesh. Jerry will follow up, possibly for August. Ramesh also suggested following up with Dr. Jimmy Gandhi from CSUN who leads the Engineering Management program.

MTT

• Supporting a talk on June 17 regarding observation of distant galaxies. The last talk was on retrieving samples from asteroids.

• Electric vehicle talk by Momin is on July 21, part of our sustainability series.

Photonics

• Sudhan reported he has a speaker for July 29, and one for August.

## Minutes of Previous Meeting - Deron

Accepted as submitted.

## Treasurer's Report - Karl

IEEE is switching to a new accounting system (NextGen), and there might be some small glitches. For example, the last StorQuest charge did not show up on the report.

Mohammad noted that the request to AESS for chapter support has not shown up yet. Deron agreed to look up the contact. [Update: It was Kathleen Kramer, who responded to Mohammad that there was a glitch in getting the chapter support funds out, and they are looking into it.]

## Recognition Brunch

We have agreed it should be later this year.

## Senior Member Elevation

We will revisit at the next OpCom meeting.

## IEEE Foundation Activities/Outreach Events

Doug and Deron reported that Nathalie has some potential speakers lined up for July. Working to maximize the number of possible dates.

Girls Make STEM with Heart is now scheduled. It will be on Saturday, October 9 at La Reina. Deron has sent out a call for volunteers to the 2019 volunteers, and he put an article in the June newsletter. The HKN Lambda Beta Chapter from CSUN led by Ashley Kuhnley is interested in supporting the event.

## Other

Deron will be changing the password on the section Webex account.

Ramesh gave us an update about IEEE region realignment.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

## Next Meeting

**Monday, July 26, 2021; 6:30 PM PDT**

## Useful Links

• [Event scheduling](https://www.ieee-bv.org/conferences-and-events/#main)

• [Newsletter guidelines](https://www.ieee-bv.org/newsletter-guidelines/#main)