IEEE Buenaventura Section

OpCom Meeting Minutes

# November 29, 2021; 6:30 PM

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## Attendees

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| Doug Askegard | Momin Quddus |
| Karl Geiger | Bob Rumer |
| Deron Johnson | R. Sudhan |
| Jerry Knotts | Mohammad Tehrani |

## Local Highlights

Aerospace

• Mohammad: No speakers for November or December, but hoping to book one for January.

EMBS

• Bob: No activity recently. Possible speaker for January. Mohammad suggested reaching out to SoCalBio.

Entrepreneurship

• Jerry: No activity recently.

• A question came up about holding in-person meetings at Hub101. Subsequent to the OpCom meeting, Doug received an E-mail from another organization that is now holding meetings at Hub101, so it is evidently open now.

Microwave

• Momin: November meeting was "Postcards from Mars". Nothing scheduled yet for December.

Photonics

• Sudhan/Doug: December 9 speaker is Atul Joshi. Sudhan is looking at a speaker on LIDAR for autonomous cars, possibly for January.

Foundation Grant Series

• Deron: November talk was "Extreme Drought: Modeling the Risks of Climate Variability". This completes the series for 2021.

FIRST Lego League

• Bob: FLL tournament was held on November 21. Several IEEE members were volunteers. Bob will submit expenses to Karl, and this was budgeted under the IEEE Foundation grant.

## Minutes of Previous Meeting - Deron

Minutes were accepted as submitted.

## Treasurer's Report - Karl

Treasurer's report was accepted as submitted. Karl noted the new accounting system still has a few glitches.

IEEE Foundation has indicated we cannot carry over funds to 2022, but they have approved our plan for spending funds this for a planned STEM event in the Santa Paula area in spring 2022. Storage for 2020-2021 will also be charged to the project.

## 2022 Treasurer Nominating Committee - Doug

Nathalie Gosset has volunteered to be our treasurer. Nominated by Doug, seconded by Jerry, that Nathalie be accepted as Section Treasurer. **Approved** unanimously.

## Recognition Brunch or Dinner

Mohammad, Doug, Momin, and Sudhan volunteered to coordinate. The consensus was that a venue that does food service would be preferable, since they would be responsible for Covid-19 protocols. Los Robles Greens in Thousand Oaks and Poinsettia Center in Ventura were mentioned as possibilities.

## Educational Activities

A few sections have been asked to each give a 5 minute presentation at the Region 6 Focused Educational Activities Webinar on December 2. Deron will represent Buenaventura Section.

## Rising Stars Conference

The [IEEE Rising Stars Conference](https://ieee-risingstars.org/2022/) will be 2-4 January 2022 in Las Vegas and virtual. Announcement will be listed in the section newsletter.

## Scholarships

Doug mentioned that we gave out two $1000 scholarships in 2019 and none in 2020. Do we want to look at this again? NEWC-VSB has forwarded scholarships candidates in the past. Dennis Horwitz might have handed this off to someone else, and it is unclear if it is happening in 2022.

## Giveaways

Momin indicated the pens he ordered had arrived. He is looking for an opportunity to give them away to members. Perhaps he can give some to chapter officers to let them distribute.

## Next Meeting

**Monday, January 3, 2022; 6:30 PM PST.** This is one week later than our usual time due to the holidays.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

## Event Scheduling

[www.ieee-bv.org/conferences-and-events](https://www.ieee-bv.org/conferences-and-events/)

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| **Schedule** | **Chapter** | **Contact** |
| 1st Tue of month | Entrepreneurship | Jerry K. |
| 1st Wed of month | RAS/IAS | Doug A. |
| 2nd Tue of month | Communications | Victor L. |
| 2nd Wed of month | Computer | Deron J. |
| 3rd Tue of month | Microwave | Momin Q. |
| 3rd Thu of month | Aerospace | Mohammad T. |
| Last Mon of month | Section OpCom | Momin Q. |
| Last Tue of month | ED/CAS | Cristian C. |
| Last Wed of month | EMBS | Bob R./Reza F. |
| Last Thu of month | Photonics | Sudhan |