IEEE Buenaventura Section

OpCom Meeting Minutes

# December 4, 2023; 6:30 PM

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## Attendees

| Doug Askegard | Victor Lin |
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| Lubos Brieda | Momin Quddus |
| Nathalie Gosset | Rick Ross |
| Jerry Knotts | Mohammad Tehrani |
| Deron Johnson | Don Thomas |

## Local Highlights

Aerospace - Mohammad

January 18: Development of flights suits. Joint meeting with LMAG.

There also might be a talk on CubeSats coming up in early 2024.

Computer - Deron

November 8 talk was “What You Should Know about Work”, targeted at recent grads and soon-to-be grads.

Hoping to have someone in January talk about cloud security.

ComSoc - Victor

November 7 talk was on the evolution of Wi-Fi. About 50 people attended online.

LMAG - Jerry

Teaming up with Mohammad on the January AES meeting mentioned above.

MTTS - Momin

Momin attended a talk on November 8 at Caltech on “Unlocking Movement”.

## Review Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes from Deron of the October 30 meeting were accepted as submitted.

## 2024 Budget

Rick and Nathalie reviewed the 2024 budget proposal.

Our largest budget category is STEM events. In order to avoid a shortfall, it was suggested that each chapter contribute 15% of its current balance to support the section. Jerry noted that the section cannot require this, and it is important that each chapter chair individually decide what they are willing to contribute. Rick agreed to reach out to the chapter chairs.

With the caveat listed above, the 2024 budget was **approved** unanimously.

## Treasurer's Report

Treasurer’s report from Rick was accepted as submitted. Nathalie requested that the checks be provided to the treasurer as soon as possible. Momin asked if it would make sense to retain some of the checks. Deron and Nathalie said no and explained the segregation of duties required by IEEE**.**

## Fall Mixer

There were 64 people in attendance. The food quantity is always a guess, and the tri-tip went quickly. The three scholarships were awarded, along with the IEEE student memberships. The presentation from Hoppy Price on Robotic Lunar Village was very well received.

## FLL Robotics Tournament

The tournament held on November 12 in Thousand Oaks. There were about 150 students from 23 teams. Bob Rumer was the Tournament Director, with Deron Johnson assisting him. Several IEEE members have volunteered as judges, including Lubos and Momin.

There were several things mentioned regarding lessons learned, including ordering a second round of pizza earlier, and more prominently mentioning the IEEE Buenaventura support during the awards ceremony.

## Next Meeting: Monday, January 8, 6:30 PM Pacific. (Postponed two weeks for the holidays.)

## Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.