

AMERICAN INSTITUTE of ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS

METROPOLITAN NEW YORK DISTRICT
(No. 3)

January 10, 1962

Address Reply t Manhattan College New York 71, New York

Mr. Warren Chase Ohio Bell Telephone Company 750 Huron Road Cleveland 15, Ohio

Dear Warren:

A recent letter from Mr. Haggerty included a copy of the proposed draft of Constitution and Bylaws for the SREE, and a request to review those sections which were assigned to the two man sub-committee on Student Branches, namely Jack Ryder and Bob Weil. The attached letter to Mr. Haggerty expresses my reaction to the format and wording of sections relative to Student Branches and transfer requirements in Sections 106 and 303.

There is no question that the draft includes in detail the recommendations made: essentially there is not a great deal of difference between these recommendations and the present objectives of IRE and AIEE towards students and student branches. It is true that IRE includes students from the Technical Institutes and Community Colleges which was not a part of the AIEE program. I am sure I have no objection to this practice and feel that there is a wide segment of our AIEE membership in agreement with such a policy.

I am very disappointed in the wording of the proposed draft of the Constitution and Bylaws. A consolidation of the two Institutes was supposed to lead to something NEW. In a careful comparison of the proposed draft, paragraph by paragraph, with the present Constitution and Bylaws of the IRE, I find so few areas of change that my general reaction is to just change IRE to SREE in the present Constitution and Bylaws of IRE and we have the draft for the "so-called" new society. I have the feeling that others in AIEE are going to react in the same manner, and I say this as one who has been a senior member of IRE for many years. If this is to be a "new" society, and if the proposed draft is to represent all that is best for such a society, then I am of the opinion that the format and wording be new and not give the impression that one Institute has been absorbed rather than two Institutes consolidated. Am I to believe that nothing of any value can be found in the organizational set-up of our own AIEE?

Mr. Warren Chase January 10, 1962 As of this writing my reaction to the proposed draft is definitely negative. I know of no one more anxious than I am to see the student problem resolved -- but not at the expense of the members of the AIEE. I am sure that we can do better. Sincerely, Robert T. Weil, Jr. Vice President District 3 RTW: es cc- B. R. Teare, Jr. C. H. Linder E. B. Robertson



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Address Reply to:

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Mr. P. E. Haggarty, President Texas Instrument Company P.O. Box 5474 Dallas 22, Texas

Dear Mr. Haggarty:

Re: Student Branches

I regret very much that I was unable to answer your last letter, which included the preliminary draft of a proposed constitution and bylaws for the new professional society, by the January 7th date which you requested. Unfortunately, I was not available to forward my comments to you or to meet with Dean Ryder of Michigan State University.

Section 106, paragraphs 1 through 16, includes the basic recommendations suggested by Dean Ryder and myself following our meeting in Chicago on November 6, 1961. As a matter of fact, the recommendations include student services similar to those offered by AIEE and IRE for many years.

Perhaps we should give some consideration in Section 101, Item 11, to the fact that the Chairman of the Regional Student Activities Committee, who was appointed by the Regional Director, shall be one of the Counselors in the Region. I question whether it would be wise to appoint other than an academic man as the Chairman of the Regional Student Activities Committee.

In Section 106, Item 2, where the appointment of the Counselor is specified "under procedure established by the Executive Committee" it might be well to say that the appointment is by the Regional Director. Certainly, the procedure of the Executive Committee could imply this practice but it might be well to state the facts.

If I had any single reservation to Sections 106,303, and as a matter of fact the entire draft, it would be with reference to the format and wording. I had expected that the Constitution and Bylaws for a "new" society would have assumed a "new" complexion, definitely not that of either of the existing Institutes. I am certain that others will react in the same manner.

Sincerely,

RTW:es cc- J. D. Ryder W. H. Chase Robert T. Weil, Jr. Vice President District 3