

Director McFarlan stated that the Chairmen of the Sections outside of North America would be invited to attend the meeting of the ad hoc Committee on IRE International Activities Outside of Existing Regions to be held during the IRE International Convention in March 1962.

14. IRE/AIEE Affairs. President Haggerty distributed copies of a draft of the proposed Constitution and Bylaws for the proposed merged society to the members of the Board of Directors. He announced that meetings of the eight-man Joint Committee on Consolidation were to be held in January, and that the IRE Representatives to the eight-man Committee and the two-man Subcommittees would participate with the AIEE Representatives on these Committees in an open panel session to be held during the AIEE Show in New York on January 31, 1962. He reiterated the fact that the progress of the Joint Committee on Consolidation is currently proceeding within the framework outlined for its activities, with the representatives of both societies cooperating to the fullest extent towards the success of the proposed merger.

15. IRE Policies. The Board noted the variety of proposals which have been put forth by various engineering organizations which could have a profound influence on the profession as a whole and the members of IRE in particular. After discussion, the Board instructed the IRE Policy Committee to study the entire matter and to make recommendations to the Board for further review at an early date.

Note was made of a letter received by Dr. Berkner from Mr. Abraham Hyatt concerning a proposed National Academy of Engineering. After discussion, Director McFarlan moved that Dr. Berkner be authorized to reply to this letter, stating therein that it was the policy of IRE that any further movement toward the organization of the objectives stated in Mr. Hyatt's letter be done in concert with the National Academy of Sciences and not as a separate activity of the proposed National Academy of Engineering, and that President Haggerty be authorized to inform the President of EJC that this is the policy of IRE, and that, in view of this movement, IRE should be instructed in full detail before any other steps are taken in this direction. (Unanimously approved.)

Another matter discussed under IRE Policies was the suggestion which had been received that the boundary lines of the London Section be changed to allow members of the Southwestern Ontario Subsection living in Windsor to be included in the Detroit Section and so attend the meetings of that Section. However, the members of the area in question would still wish to keep their Canadian affiliation. It was the consensus of the Board that the entire Boundary system might be studied at this time, with particular relation to Canada and the United States. The Board authorized the Policy Study Committee to appoint a three-man subcommittee comprised of George Sinclair, B. R. Tupper and G. A. Woonton to investigate the special problems inherent in the boundaries between Region 8 and other related Regions, and in particular to consult with the London Section, so that meetings of members near these boundary lines could be rationally scheduled.

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