# IEEE New South Wales Section

Minutes of the 185th Executive Committee Meeting, 5TH July 2004
Sentosa Restaurant, 48 Willoughby Road Crows Nest, NSW.

The Chair opened the meeting at 7:15pm.

## 1 Attendance and Apologies

Present: Graeme Gwilliam, Ian Boyd, Stephanie Boyd, David Burger, Jim Logothetis, Walter Lachs, Sam Riesenfeld, Jim Vasseleu, Zak Zakarevicius, Amandwp Sidhu (Student Chair UTS).

Apologies: Eddie Fong, David Tien, Graham Town(trailing), Karu Esselle, Stefan Mozar, Bruce Poon, John Robinson, Trevor Bird, Faz Rahman

## 2 Approval of Agenda

This meetings agenda was accepted.

## 3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising

Minutes of meeting 184 were accepted with changes being:
Item 8.5 – Spelling "Prof Mahmoud Nagrial".

Moved: Jim Vasseleu, 2nd Jim Logo, carried.

**Action 21/2003**: Stephanie Boyd was delegated to propose a mechanism for assisting students to pay IEEE dues. David T to set up a transition account for this purpose, forms to be submitted to the Bank. (Continuing).

**Action 06/2004:** Olly to provide a scope for the Award Recognition proposed for people supporting IEEE activities that promote the cause of innovative engineering and or engineering projects.

**Action 07/2004:** David Burger to follow up practical time/logistics, possibly to coincide with school holiday lockout from the TAFE venue we use. Continuing.

**Action 08/2004:** Follow up with Andrew regarding Section re-imbursement of R10 meeting costs in Adelaide.

## 4 Correspondence

- Meadowbank TAFE Collage invite to 'Market day'.
- UNSW Market day Invitation, School of computer scuiences & Engineering.

Moved: Stephanie, 2nd Walter, carried.

## 5 Treasurer's Report

IEEE Rebate received comprises:

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| $7,932.00 | from membership; |
| $2,000.00 | Section allowance; |
| $1,400.00 | from Chapters and affinity groups; |
| $1,133.20 | as a 10% bonus on the above; |
| $ 75.00 | Activity Bonus; |
| $ 502.00 | Region 10 student member contribution and student chapter start; |
| $ 40.00 | Senior member nomination initiative. |

TOTAL USD $13,082.20 converted to AUD $18,625.61

Acceptance of Treasurer's report: Moved: Jim Vasseleu 2nd: Walter, Carried.

## 6 CIRCUIT Report

Bruce Poon has not been able to print the labels and printed copies of Circuit are still waiting to be mailed out! Great effort to get the issue ready before the 19 June deadline. It is also bad news because the issue advertises Joint Institutions that will have now passed..

A broadcast e-mail was sent to advise those on e-mail of the delay.

## 7 Chair's Forum

Graeme welcomed everyone and covered 3 items:

a. The cost of the AGM/annual dinner has risen in cost by around 60%, noting there was a 50:50 contribution arrangement in place for attendees prior to 2003. The Boyd's were nominated to look at possible venues for Nov'04, these include Nth Ryde Golf Club, El Rancho, Epping Club.
b. The Australia Council has a vacancy with the withdrawal of Peter Mills. Business ACT advising IEEE AC on legal status (we understand at no-cost).
c. Request to members to consider the support of Aussie Janina Mackiewisz who is running for R10 Director in forthcoming elections.

## 8 Committee Election & Reports

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| 8.1 Fellow Search | Walter Lachs; no report. |
| 8.2 Membership Devel't | Bruce Poon: R*efer to Appendix 1 update*. We note Bruce is now heavily involved in the defence forces and he extends apologies for the remainder of the year. |

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| 8.3 Professional Activities | Jim Logothetis and Ian Boyd. No June meeting held with IEAust. |
| 8.4 Educational Activities | Karu Esselle/ Ian Boyd/ Andrew Parfitt and Graham Gwilliam assisting. No report. |
| 8.5 Student Activities | Stephanie Boyd: 2 Student's attended the Student summit in Hong Kong (Alan & Aaron). The UTS Robotics competition may be a possible venue for IEEE NSW representation. |
| 8.6 Awards and Recognition | Jim Vasseleu: No report (pending info from Olly). |
| 8.7 Nominations | Trevor Bird: No report. |
| 8.8 Historian | Zak Zakarevicius, Jim Vasseleu and Trevor Bird: Zak highlighted the historical info updates on the website being undertaken by David Burger. |

## 9 Affinity Group Reports

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| 9.1 GOLD Affinity Group | Simon Boland: No report. |
| 9.2 Life Member Affinity | Jim Vasseleu, no report, pending member list advice from Bruce. |

## 10 Chapter Reports

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| 10.1 Computer Society | Stephanie Boyd (Chair), Ian Boyd, Stefan Mozar, Phil Crawford. Stefan preparing a talk on Digital TV. |
| 10.2 MTT/AntP | Graham Town (Chair), Karu (Secretary). Karu attended the AP Chapter Chairs held in Monterey, California, USA, late June and represented the NSW Chapter on behalf of the Chair. |
| 10.3 Comm/Sig | Olly d'Souza (Chair), David Burger (Secretary). No Report. |
| 10.4 PES | Graeme Gwilliam (Chair), Planning October PE function. |
| 10.5 PEL/IA/IE | Faz Rahman (Chair): Faz has asked DL Prof. Consoli from Italy to come to Sydney. He has agreed to come towards the end of this year. I have also invited Prof. Tom Jahns from USA, who is a past president of the IAS, to come for a visit. He may |

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| | come in June/July 2005. I am also in touch with Lawrence Borle from WA and Prof. Ashwin Khambadkone from Singapore to jointly organise seminars of mutual interest from other DLs. Faz will be able to give a more concrete program next month. |
| 10.6 C&S/SSC | Steven Duvall(Chair), Andre van Schaik (Secretary) No report. |

## 11 Conferences

11.1 **Asian Control Conference 2004**: Proceeding. (no update).

11.2 **IEEE International Symposium on Spread Spectrum Techniques and Applications 2004:** (NSW & Vic) (no update).

11.3 **TenCon 2005**, (Victoria) (no update).

11.4 **ICITA 2005,** Conference has technical co-sponsorship with UTS School of IT. Advertising has been observed by the Committee.

11.5 **Information Technology & Applications** Scheduled for 4th July 2005. (no update).

11.6 **mBusiness Conference 2005**. Scheduled for 27/28 June 2005. Advertising has been observed by the Committee.

## 12 Other Business

UNSW Market day. Proposed to buy $350 booth (less $50 discount), with a handout paper to be prepared "Why should I join IEEE ?". Stephanie to discuss with Bruce.

Moved: Jim Vasseleu 2nd Jim Logo, carried.

## 13 Closure

The meeting closed at 20:29 hours. The next meeting will be 2nd August 2004 at North Sydney TAFE Room AG20.

| APPENDIX 1 – IEEE NSW Section, Member Statistics | | | | | | | | | |
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| **Member Types** | | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** |
| Active Members | | 2701 | 2717 | N/A | 2150 | 2200 | 2227 | | |
| Active Members | excluding affiliate | 2498 | 2513 | N/A | 1999 | 2044 | 2064 | | |
| Active Life members | LA/LF/LM/LS | 39 | 45 | N/A | 40 | 41 | 41 | | |
| Active Senior members | | 141 | 141 | N/A | 134 | 135 | 135 | | |
| Active Student members | | 532 | 532 | N/A | 312 | 336 | 345 | | |
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| **Student Branchs** | **Branch No.** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** |
| University of NSW | 2598721/ 2533563 | 229 | 231 | N/A | 151 | 167 | 170 | | |
| University of Technology Sydney | 2504821 | 52 | 55 | N/A | 48 | 48 | 48 | | |
| Sydney University | 40008997 | 36 | 35 | N/A | 46 | 46 | 46 | | |
| Western Sydney University of Nepean | 2538101 | 13 | 13 | N/A | 17 | 17 | 17 | | |
| University of Wollongong | 2590073 | 23 | 25 | N/A | 27 | 32 | 33 | | |
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| **Chapters** | | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** | **Number** |
| Antennas & Propagation / Microwave Theory & Technigues | | 88 | 89 | N/A | 78 | 78 | 79 | | |
| Circuit and Systems / Solid State Circuits | | 86 | 86 | N/A | 76 | 76 | 76 | | |
| Communication / Signal Processing | | 518 | 509 | N/A | 515 | 541 | 549 | | |
| Computer | | 804 | 814 | N/A | 893 | 912 | 928 | | |
| Industrial Electronics / Power Electronics / Industrial Applications | | 94 | 93 | N/A | 93 | 96 | 96 | | |
| Power Engineering | | 115 | 120 | N/A | 117 | 121 | 122 | | |
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| **Others** | **Month** | | | | | | | | |
| Senior Membership enquiry | Mar-04 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
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| Issued by Bruce Poon | Correct as at 6 Jun 04 | | | | | | | | |