



QUEENSLAND SECTION

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Minutes of Meeting 8th April, 2014

Venue: UQ General Purpose (South) Building, Room 78-421

Attendance:

Office	Attendance	Present	Apology	Absent
Chair	Tapan Saha	X		
Vice Chair	Mehdi (Daniel) Eghbal	X		
Secretary	Rahul Sharma		X	
Treasurer	Ruifeng (Richard) Yan	X		
Immediate Past Chair	Abbas Bigdeli		X	
Newsletter Editor	Michael Swinton	X		
Webmaster	Mike Robinson	X		
Professional Activities	Vacant			
Membership Development chair	Nilesh Modi		X	
Awards & Recognition	Mike Robinson	X		
Student Activities Chair	Jack Gaynor	<i>Skype</i>		
Educational Activities Chair	<i>Vacant</i>			
Engineers Australia Liaison	Tapan Saha	X		
TISP	Mike Robinson	X		
Women in Engineering	Alexandra Price	X		
Women in Engineering (Vice chair)	Angela Tuffley	<i>Skype</i>		
Women in Engineering (Secretary)	Mary Tom	<i>Skype</i>		
Aerospace and Electronic Systems Chapter	Steve Ashfield			X
Aerospace and Electronic Systems Chapter (VC)	John Davies			X
Aerospace and Electronic Systems Chapter (Sec)	Robert Kennedy		X	
Computational Intelligence Chapter	Andrew Lewis	<i>Skype</i>		
Computational Intelligence Chapter (VC)	<i>Vacant</i>			
Computational Intelligence Chapter (Sec)	<i>Vacant</i>			
Computer Chapter	Brian Lovell			X
Computer Chapter (VC)	Andrew West			X
Computer Chapter (Sec)	Mike Robinson	X		
Control Sys/Robo & Auto Chapter	Michael Kearney	X		
Control Sys/Robo & Auto Chapter (VC)	John Billingsley	<i>Skype</i>		
Control Sys/Robo & Auto Chapter (Sec)	Frederic Maire	<i>Skype</i>		
Engineering in Medicine & Biology Chapter	Steve Wilson	X		
Engineering in Med & Biology Chapter (VC)	Mohan Karunanithi			X
Engineering in Med. & Biology Chapter (Sec)	Qing Zhang			X
MTT/AP Chapter	<i>Konstanty Bialkowski</i>	X		
MTT/AP Chapter (VC)	Greg Hislop		X	
MTT/AP Chapter (Secretary)	Morteza Shahpari	<i>Skype</i>		
Power & Energy Chapter	Chandima Ekanayake	X		
Power & Energy Chapter (VC)	Yateendra Mishra	X		
Power & Energy Chapter (Secretary)	Jose Lopez Roldan		X	
Power and Energy Chapter (Student rep)	Medhi Mosadeghy	X		
Signal Pro & Comms Chapter	Garry Einicke	X		
Signal Pro & Comms Chapter (VC)	Vaughan Clarkson	X		
Signal Pro & Comms Chapter (Sec)	Dharmika Jayalath			X



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Young Professional Affinity Group	Alexandra Price	X		
Young Professional Affinity Group (VC)	Prachi Redey	X		
Young Professional Affinity Group (Sec)	Matthew Zillmann		X	
Student Counsellor QUT	Jacob Coetzee			X
Student Counsellor UQ	Vaughan Clarkson	X		
Student Counsellor GU-GC	Jahangir Hossain	X		
Student Counsellor GU-Nathan	Sascha Stegen	X		
Student Counsellor USQ	Paul Wen			X
Student Counsellor CQU – Brisbane	Mary Tom	<i>Skype</i>		
Student Counsellor CQU – Rockhampton	Aruna Jayasuri a			X
UQ Student Branch Chair	Jack McKinnon		X	



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Number	Item	Action	Action
1.0	Attendance and apologies.	As noted	
2.0	Confirmation of agenda.	Vaughan Clarkson asked to contribute earlier as needed to leave meeting early.	
3.0	Acceptance of minutes of the last meeting.	<i>Konstanty Bialkowski</i> accepted and Mike Robinson (MJR) seconded minutes of last meeting.	
4.0	Business arising from the last meeting.	<p>USQ SB Counsellor – Paul Wen has not responded to TKS email. TKS contacted Peter Wolfs from CQU to arrange replacement of Aruna Jayasuria.</p> <p>R10 presentations emailed – committee should read.</p> <p>TKS emailed R10 re 50:50 funding for RY to attend section congress and they will advise in due course (still in progress).</p> <p>MJR contacted Brian Lovell regarding computer society volunteers; no response.</p>	
5.0	Committee Coordination – Section Chair.	<p>TKS Newsletter write up given to newsletter editor.</p> <p>2015 R10 Chair meeting – still waiting to hear back from R10. Received offer of discount from Gold Coast hotels.</p> <p>On 22 February 2015 the IEEE Queensland section will be celebrating its 30th anniversary the IEEE Global History Network (GHN)(http://www.ieeeahn.org) asked to include a page for each section to post both its history and scanned or electronic archival documents.</p> <p>QUT student chapter to hold pizza event in near future – TKS happy to give presentation.</p>	



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		TKS attending section congress.	
6.0	Reports from the Section Committee		
6.1	Vice Chair	<p>QLD Section has a number of members who are eligible for Senior Membership. These members will be approached and invited to attend a workshop to develop applications in order to boost section Senior Membership. Nilesh Modi to assist. Historically this has been the unofficial process but aim is to formalize actions.</p> <p>IEEE discount opportunities - \$200 from R10, \$200 from Section. One option – subsidy for kindle reader. Application to be submitted by mid-May. Mehdi Eghbal to come back to committee with proposal.</p> <p>Competition for designing an app for our section - \$500 award. MJR suggested getting student chapters involved. Want to expose IEEE more to our members. App to contain information about events – locations, registration etc.</p> <p>Vtools – proposal to develop of small tutorial about how to use it.</p> <p>Fellow – NSW have 36 fellows. QLD has 1 fellow according to IEEE website. Need to think about how to target people to submit nomination for fellow. Fellow application is a time consuming process; 5-8 fellows have to give recommendations. NSW section has dedicated committee for fellow applications.</p>	
6.2	Secretary	Nothing to report.	
6.3	Treasurer	<p>Have \$5000 left in bank.</p> <p>Expecting to get rebate around April/May.</p> <p>\$20,000 maturing in May. Brian Lovell's account not closed yet.</p>	
6.4	Awards & Recognition	Nothing to report.	
6.5	Professional Activities	Vacant.	



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6.6	Student Activities	Jack Gaynor in Darwin until mid-May. Emailed student counsellors around mid-March. Yet to follow up. Haven't received any requests for assistance from student branches/counsellors.	
6.7	Membership Development	NM working on raising numbers of Senior Membership.	
6.8	Educational Activities	Vacant.	
6.9	Newsletter Editor	Six contributions received for newsletter plus additional may come later. Request to get additional information targeted by Friday.	
6.10	Webmaster	MJR concerned about lack of website archives. MJR proposed to develop archive of section website. TKS to investigate archives to fill in gaps in committee history. Suggestion to use internet archive to get additional information.	
6.11	TISP	Nothing to report.	
7.0	Student Chapter Activities		
7.1	QUT Student Chapter	Nothing to report.	
7.2	UQ Student Chapter	Very successful pizza lunch and talk. TKS and VC presented. Resulted in 50+ new student members. Student branch want to collaborate in EBESS and Computing Student Society	
7.3.1	GU (GC) Student Chapter	Going to request TKS/ME to give talk at some point. JH aiming for student branch to be more active this year.	
7.3.2	GU (Nathan) Student Chapter	Received cheque related to student branch. Planning to have pizza lunch. TKS happy to present at pizza lunch.	
7.4.1	CQU (Brisbane) Student Chapter	Pizza lunch organised – 15 student interested in membership. MT to follow up regarding new member statistics. Pizza receipts to follow.	
7.4.2	CQU (Rockhampton) Student Chapter	TKS chasing up for a new student branch counsellor.	



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7.5	USQ Student Chapter	Nothing to report.	
8.0	Chapter and Affinity Groups		
8.1	Aerospace & Electronic Systems	GE reported planning meeting on 21 st March.	
8.2	Computational Intelligence	40 people attended summer school. IEEE distinguished lecturer visitor in May to present at GU (Nathan) and GU (GC). Requesting support of \$350 for distinguished lecturer with balance to be paid by GU. Andrew to send receipts and section will reimburse \$350.	
8.3	Computer Society	Nothing to report. TKS concerned about lack of activities.	
8.4	Control Systems/Robotics & Automation	Have a secretary – Fredrick from QUT.	
8.5	Engineering in Medicine & Biology	Bid for 2019/2020 World congress. Proposal for event to be held at BCEC to get the support from NSW for Brisbane as a host for 2019/20 world congress.	
8.6	Microwave Theory & Techniques/Antennas & Propagation	DL from Chalmers presented two seminars. Collaboration with IET seminar. EM Solutions presenting in July and DL planned for October.	
8.7	Power & Energy	Partial discharge seminar – joint event with CIGRE Friday 28th March 2014. Powerlink event Title: Industry Practices on Out-of-Step Protection and Grid Islanding Schemes Speaker: Dr. Ramakrishna (Rama) Gokaraju Date: Wednesday 16th April 2014. Planning presentation on fire safety in substations and EA/IEEE insulation diagnostics. IEEE PES student members – Jose proposed 10 x \$100 registration for student members to attend IEEE.EA short course on insulation 8-9 May 014. PES Travel award advertised. YM request to attend Chapter Chair meeting in Malaysia – R10 will provide US\$700 for attendance.	



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		IEEE PES SB Chapter planning two events - job options in power engineering and software tutorial in first week of May.	
8.8	Signal Processing/Communications	Planning a seminar by Prof. Andrew Bradley on 1 st May and another event in June.	
8.9	Young Professionals	Action: AP to contact TKS regarding contacting Sections. ANZSCON Brisbane preparations progressing well. Webpage almost complete. Sponsorship of \$6000 secured with more in the pipeline. Australian Council yet to confirm sponsorship amount.	AP
8.10	Women In Engineering	Nothing to report.	
9.0	Other business.	Ljubo Vlacic request to attend POCO conference organising conference. TKS requested Ljubo Vlacic to write up a proposal for funding to attend conference for committee to consider. Australian control conference run in Brisbane – IEEE has previously been a sponsor.	
10.0	Next meeting.	13 May 2014	