



## IEEE Seattle PES Chapter Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

5:00pm – 7:00 pm, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 (Wednesday)

**Attendees:** Marcelo Elizondo, Miguel Ortega-Vazquez, Darrell Ross, Eric Sortomme, Abdur Rheman (via voice conference), Phillippe Phanivog, Kevin Schneider

Action Items marked with “(AI)” at the beginning of the bullets of main topics discussed.

### Main topics discussed

1. Treasurer Report: Max provided a 2014 year-end report for expenditures, income, and balance.
  - a. Seattle EXCOM decided to give PES Seattle a lower amount than they have in the past.
2. NWESS 2016: Discussion of possibilities.
  - a. (AI) Miguel will talk to Daniel Kirschen about possibility of chairing NWESS 2016.
3. Kevin motions to Nominate Isabel Rincon as Women in Power rep on PES Seattle EXCOM.
  - a. Eric seconds motion.
  - b. Motion passes 6/0/0.
  - c. (AI) Darrell will notify Isabel.
  - d. (AI) Darrell will update website officers page.
4. Seattle EXCOM Meeting update by Eric Sortomme
  - a. Planning technical presentation at start of each meeting. Eric volunteered to do his “ABCs of EVs” presentation for the first one.
  - b. Want different groups to audit their budget including one from PES. Nominated Max Emrick.
  - c. (AI) Eric will let Max know about his nomination.
  - d. Voted to fund PES Seattle \$500. PES can ask for more if we want.
  - e. Expressed desire to have our event list shared with them.
    - i. (AI) Darrell to send Eric technical details on automating sharing of calendar.
5. Coordination of new and past officers – transition of responsibilities
6. Role of all EXCOM member, other than new officers
  - a. YP: Abdur Rheman
  - b. WIP: Isabel Rincon
7. Review of recent events
  - a. Omnicron (Adbur) – 60+ attendees. Location reservation was difficult. Ultimately, Omnicron paid for a venue of their choice. It was a very nice venue and had food too. 1/3 registered through IEEE PES, 1/3 registered through Omnicron, 1/3 registered through Peak Measurements.
  - b. DLP#2 Kirshen 12/9 (Kevin Organized but didn’t attend; Max & Darrell attended) Very small turnout of 9-10 people. Some came from Vancouver, BC.
  - c. DLP#3 Henry 11/20 (Kevin, Darrell, Max, Eric attended)
    - i. Location in the parking lot was difficult to find.
    - ii. Attendance wasn’t huge but better than DLP#2
  - d. International Test Conference (Kevin)
    - i. Paper session was cancelled
    - ii. ITC did nothing to advertise
    - iii. Only 4 people attended one of the panel sessions
  - e. Student Mock Interviews (Miguel)



- i. Great turnout. Many interviewers from different companies (PNNL, Tacoma Power, SnoPUD, Alstom). 40 students
    - ii. Plenty of food (pizza).
    - iii. Lots of complements from students on turnout.
  - f. EE500V went well. Now called EE500E.
- 8. Plan for upcoming events
  - a. January
    - i. EXCOM Meeting
  - b. February
    - i. Membership Talk (Henry) Might be able to double as DLP.
    - ii. **(AI)** Kevin will talk to Henry about teaching other PES officers to give membership talk with the same slides
    - iii. YP networking event.
  - c. March
    - i. Denny Substation Tour and Talk (Phillippe)
    - ii. **(AI)** Phillippe will contact Seattle City Light about possibility for March.
- 9. Additional events
  - a. Sparks Museum Tour (Max)
  - b. Hydro plant tour (Max)
  - c. **(AI)** Flow Battery Tour – Kevin will contact them.
  - d. Grand Coulee Dam Campout/Tour/Lightshow (Eric – summer)
- 10. Events Coordinated with other societies
  - a. YP with Seattle Section (Abdur) 10-15 people meet regularly at bubble tea and then a BBQ over the summer
  - b. IAS?
  - c. Industrial Electronics Chapter
- 11. Other Event Possibilities
  - a. A bike trip around lake Washington/Burke Gilman Trail ending with a brewery
  - b. Repeat popular tours – Spark’s Museum, Snoqualmie Plant
  - c. Grand Coulee Dam Campout/Tour/Lightshow
  - d. Transformer course (email by Ronnie Minhaz, Transformer Consulting Services Inc.)  
Ask Max – EE500E??
  - e. PE/FE Talk
  - f. Operator training
  - g. DLP – speaker from outside area
  - h. NWESS planning meetings – Very likely
  - i. Networking job fair
- 12. Awards
  - a. Outstanding Engineer – 2014 Betty Tobin
  - b. Outstanding Young Engineer – 2014 ?? (Kevin will let me know)
  - c. New award this year – Outstanding Power Educator (Kevin)
    - i. **(AI)** Kevin will build a committee and pull in possible groups from all over local universities.
- 13. Website update and competition
  - a. Officers updated.
- 14. Action items for next meeting
  - a. List them all here.
- 15. Tentative date for the next meeting: April 8, 2015
- 16. Close the meeting @ 6:52pm