IEEE-USA Board of Directors

MEETING SUMMARIES

30 Jan. 2011
Washington, DC

The IEEE-USA Board of Directors held a special meeting on 30 Jan. 2011 in conjunction with their January planning retreat, held in Washington, DC. The purpose of the meeting was to consider IEEE-USA’s sign-on to an amicus curiae brief filing by AAUP and IP Advocate in the Stanford vs. Roche Case. The Board approved sign-on by the requisite 2/3s majority and empowered President Jensen to make a final decision on affiliation after IEEE consultation and subject to the acceptability of the final brief. IEEE-USA subsequently signed on to the amicus curiae.

18 Feb. 2011
Miami, Florida

The IEEE-USA Board of Directors met on 18 February 2011 in Miami, Florida, where the following actions were taken:

- Approved by consent the minutes of their 19 Nov. 2010 meeting
- Approved by consent the minutes of their 30 Jan. 2011 meeting
- Received the reports of the IEEE-USA President, President-Elect and Past President
- Received the IEEE-USA Managing Directors report
- Received the IEEE-USA Treasurer’s report, including updates on 2010 year end outcomes, the 2011 budget outlook, the 2012 budget process, the IEEE-USA Fund, budget horizon issues and recent IEEE Finance Committee meetings.
- Endorsed planning guidance derived from the Board’s January retreat
- Engaged in a strategic discussion on information/data needs for future planning and issues framed by the Vice Presidents arising out of the January retreat
• Approved a charter establishing an IEEE-USA External Awards and Advancement Search Committee and authorized a $15K funding transfer from the IEEE-USA Fund to support 2011 operations

• Approved a proposed IEEE-USA Position Statement on “Federal Support of Basic Research”

• Approved a proposed IEEE-USA Position Statement on “Optimized Use of Federal Laboratories”

• Approved with revision a proposed update to the IEEE-USA position statement on “National Energy Policy Recommendations”

• Approved IEEE-USA Policy 8.2.5 clarifying Vice President budget authority

• Abolished the IEEE-USA Legislative Initiative Fund, withdrawing IEEE-USA Policy 8.3 and directing the transfer of remaining 2011 funds to the GR Discretionary Account (63499)

• Approved a new IEEE-USA Jim Watch Student Professional Awareness Achievement Award with guidance that award recipient travel should be unfunded.

• Received a report on the current status of the American Association of Engineering Societies

• Received a report on planning for the Founder Societies Carbon Management Technology Conference

• Deferred a presentation on Low Cost Tools for Publishing IEEE On-Line Education

• Received reports from the Vice Presidents on Career and Member Services, Communications & Public Awareness, Government Relations, and Professional Activities

• Received reports from the IEEE-USA Members-at-Large

• Received reports from the Region 1-6 Directors on regional activities and issues

• Received liaison reports from IEEE-USA’s GOLD, Standards and Technical Activities representatives

• Received a report on plans for the 2011 IEEE Sections Congress

• Received a report and invitation to explore IEEE-USA participation in a proposed series of regional Smart Grid Conferences for Practitioners
• Defeated a motion to transfer $10K from the IEEE-USA Fund to support travel and registration expenses for Region Directors and Members-at-Large at the 2011 Annual Meeting

• Noted its next meeting date on 24 June 2011 in Bellevue, Washington

There was no additional old or new business. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:00 p.m.

14 June 2011
Bellevue, Washington

The IEEE-USA Board of Directors met on 24 June 2011 in Bellevue, Washington, where the following actions were taken:

• Approved by consent the minutes of the 18 Feb. 2011 Board meeting.
• Approved by consent the IEEE-USA Government Fellows Committee’s recommendations for 2012 IEEE-USA Government Fellowships.
• Approved by consent amendments to the IEEE-USA Government Fellows Committee Charter.
• Approved by consent amendments to the IEEE-USA Precollege Education Committee Charter.
• Approved by consent amendments to the IEEE-USA Annual Meeting Committee Charter.
• Received the reports of the IEEE-USA President, Past President, and President-Elect.
• Received the report of the IEEE-USA Managing Director.
• Received the Treasurer’s report on IEEE-USA finances and the status of the IEEE-USA Fund.
• Endorsed the final report of the ad hoc Committee on New Revenue Opportunities.
• Accepted the final report of the ad hoc Subcommittee on Conferences.
• Approved the creation of an IEEE-USA Conferences Committee to operate on an ad hoc basis pending approval of a standing committee charter
• Authorized the transfer of up to $5K annually from the IEEE-USA Fund (Voluntary Contributions) in both 2011 and 2012 for support of the IEEE-USA Conferences Committee.
• Approved a two year continuation of the IEEE-USA Membership Development Incentive and authorized discretionary transfers from the IEEE-USA Fund to cover the incentive obligations.
• Reviewed the 2012 budget proposal.
• Approved a new IEEE-USA Position Statement on “Preserving the Prior Definition of Patent Prior Art.”
• Approved an updated IEEE-USA Position Statement on “Nanotechnology Research and Development.”
• Approved a new IEEE-USA Position Statement on “Privacy and Security for Wireless Technologies for Health Care.”
• Declined to approve a funding request for an IEEE-USA TechMatch Business Plan Pilot Competition.
• Authorized withdrawals from the IEEE-USA Fund to support a $50K matching commitment to support a 2014 EWeek fund-raising campaign.
• Approved a strategic plan for the IEEE-USA Annual Meeting.
• Received a presentation from IEEE President Moshe Kam on “IEEE U.S. Membership and the Future of IEEE-USA.”
• Discussed the U.S. membership implications of an IEEE technical society tiered membership proposal.
• Received a progress report from the ad hoc Committee on Membership Engagement.
• Received a proposal from CCET for an IEEE Smart Grid Student Design Paper Competition/CCET Collaboration and recommended that it be referred for consideration by the IEEE Student Activities Committee.
• Received a request for input on the proposed IEEE Conference Approval Guidelines.
• Approved a $10K transfer from the IEEE-USA Fund as an advance to secure a 10% financial co-sponsorship in the 2012 IEEE EV Conference.
• Received the reports of the Vice Presidents for Career & Member Services, Communications & Public Awareness, Government Relations and Professional Activities.
• Received the reports of the Members-at-Large.
• Received reports on regional professional activities from the Region 1-6 Directors.
• Received reports from the IEEE-USA liaisons to the IEEE Conferences, GOLD and RFID Committees.
• Noted its next scheduled regular meeting on 18 Nov. 2011 in New Brunswick, NJ.

There was no additional Old or New Business. The meeting was adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

18 Nov. 2011
New Brunswick, NJ

The IEEE-USA Board of Directors met on 18 Nov. 2011 in New Brunswick, NJ, where the following actions were taken:

• Approved by consent the minutes of the 24 June 2011 IEEE-USA Board of Directors meeting.
• Approved by consent an update to the 2008 Position Statement on "Encryption Policy" (Jefferies)
• Approved by consent an update to the 2008 Position Statement on "Digital Millennium Copyright Act Encryption Research Provisions"
• Approved by consent an update to the 2008 Position Statement on "Disclosure of Intellectual Property Assignment Agreements"
• Approved by consent an update to the 2008 Position Statement on "Non-Negotiable Terms and Conditions on the Sale or Transfer of Computer Software and Other Digital Works"

• Approved by consent an update to the 2008 Position Statement on "Reverse Engineering"

• Approved by consent an update to the 2009 IEEE-USA Position Statement on "Increasing Science and Engineering Representation on U.S. Government Advisory Entities Concerned With Health-Related Issues"

• Approved by consent an update to the 2008 IEEE-USA Position Statement on "Patient Safety: The Role of Information Technology in Reducing Medical Errors"

• Received the reports of the IEEE-USA President, President-Elect and Past President.

• Received the report of the IEEE-USA Managing Director.

• Received the report of the Treasurer on year to date finances and the status of the IEEE-USA Fund and EWeek Fund.

• Approved a balanced 2012 budget

• Approved a series of motions directing planning and programmatic changes targeted at improving the 2013-2017 budget forecast.

• Approved the Awards and Recognition Committee’s recommended slate of 2011 awards recipients.

• Selected Gary Blank and Lee Stogner as candidates for 2014 IEEE-USA President.

• Selected Dee Fultz and Ron Ogan as candidates for 2013-2014 IEEE-USA Member-at-Large.

• Selected John Twitchell and John Reinert as 2012-2013 members of the IEEE-USA N&A Committee, and selected Gerard Alphonse as the 2012 Alternate

• Approved a charter establishing an IEEE-USA Conferences Committee

• Approved an IEEE-USA position statement on “Digital Rights Management”

• Approved an IEEE-USA position statement on "Job Growth Through Manufacturing Innovation"

• Approved an IEEE-USA position statement on "Encouraging Development of Optimal Electronic Health Record Systems"

• Approved an IEEE-USA position statement on "Documenting Ionizing Radiation Exposure in the Electronic Health Record"

• Approved amendments to the IEEE-USA Awards and Recognitions program
• Authorized the transfer of $20,000 in 2012 from the IEEE-USA Fund for an incentive program designed to encourage all Sections to report PACE activities using the newly developed IEEE-USA PACE Modules and vTools professional activities reporting function.

• Received a presentation by MGA Managing Director Cecelia Jankowski on IEEE’s Membership Strategy and Planning

• Received updates on IEEE-USA’s R1-R6 Membership Revitalization initiatives and our involvement in the MGA Metro Workshops

• Deferred reports on IEEE-USA’s conference activities.

• Received written reports from the IEEE-USA Vice Presidents on Career and Member Services, Communications and Public Awareness, Government Relations, and Professional Activities

• Received written reports from the IEEE-USA Members-at-Large

• Received written reports from the IEEE Directors for Regions 1-6

• Received written reports on PERSI and AAES activities

• Received a report of Board actions taken by email ballot

• Received a report of actions taken by OpCom on behalf of the Board

• Announced the results of the 2011 IEEE-USA Assembly (see below)

• Recognized the service of the Board members and outgoing President Ron Jensen

• Confirmed the next Board meeting date on 17 Feb. 2012 in Phoenix, Arizona.
IEEE-USA Assembly

New Brunswick, New Jersey
18 November 2011

The IEEE-USA Assembly met on 18 Nov. in New Brunswick, New Jersey, where the following actions were taken:

- Elected Gary Blank as 2012 Vice President, Career & Member Services
- Elected Nita Patel as 2012 Vice President, Communications & Public Awareness
- Elected Keith Grzelak as 2012 Vice President, Government Relations
- Elected Jim Look as 2012 Vice President, Profession Activities
- Elected Don Bramlett as 2012 Secretary/Treasurer.