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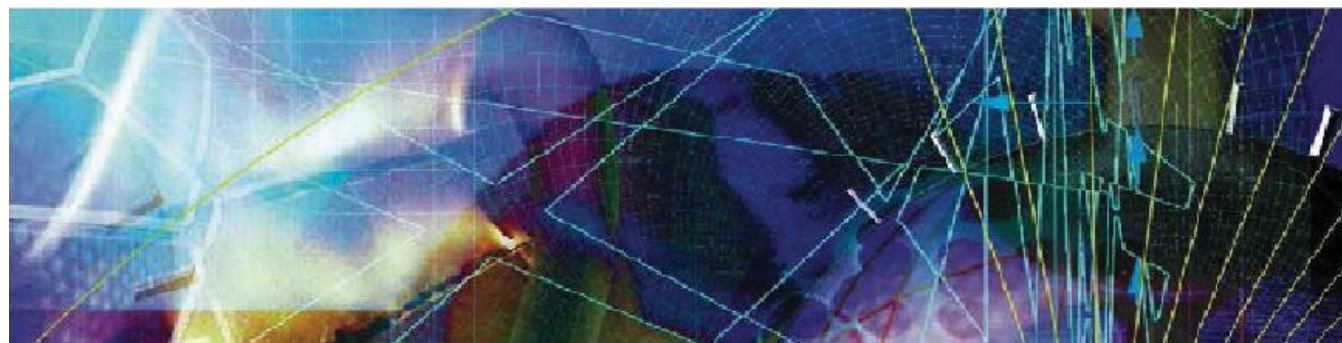Bob Evanich: b.evanich@ieee.org Phone # (317) 614-5744
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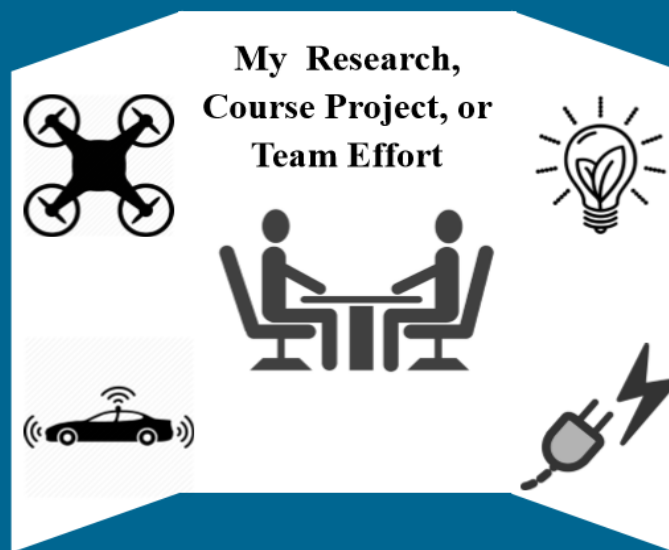
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Student poster contest entrants need to prepare a 250-word abstract or design proof of a 36" by 48" academic poster by Friday, October 14. Email entries to michael.r.hayashi@ieee.org. No limit to number of entrants per institution for either the undergraduate or graduate track. A panel of judges will decide the winners in each track.

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Purdue IEEE Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) Team

2016 MATE Competition Results

Overview:

Ending the eighth year of Purdue ROV, the team returned from the MATE competition with an overall 13th place out of 31 teams: two places higher than last year, and with a significant improvements in three of five scoring-categories. The Purdue ROV Team congratulates its members for completing another successful year and congratulates Kyle Rakos for earning the Flying Fish award: for ingenuity and creativity in the design and operations of ROV Maelstrom.

In-Depth:

The competition challenged students to create a vehicle that can complete underwater missions. ROVs are used throughout the world to conduct scientific studies, assist petroleum extraction, observe marine ecosystems, and retrieve items of interest underwater among other tasks in oceans and lakes. This year's competition was held at NASA's Neutral Buoyancy Lab in Houston, Texas from June 23-25.

Purdue IEEE's Team, *Proven Robotics,* designed a specialized claw, a sonar positioning system, an ergonomic pilot-interface system, an open-loop hydraulics system, and more to equip ROV Maelstrom for the competition. The team designed, manufactured, and constructed the vehicle themselves with minimal use of external resources, an impressive feat considering how few of the competing teams go to this length. The modeling of the frame with CAD tools and subsequent water jetting, the software composition, and the design and population of printed circuit boards (PCBs) were all accomplished by the students. Team veterans have passed on their experiences to the newer members throughout the year, and team reflection-surveys have been administered, fostering growth and a smoother process for the next competition.

None of this could have been possible without the support of our sponsors. The Purdue IEEE ROV Team would like to give special thanks to the Purdue Office of the Provost, the Purdue Engineering Student Council (PESC), and the Indiana Space Grant Consortium (INSGC) for their support that makes Purdue IEEE ROV an international competitor.

For more information about the Purdue IEEE ROV team visit www.purdueieee.org/committees/rov/ or contact the COO Sanay Shah at shah196@purdue.edu or
ROV Team Captain Kyle Rakos at krakos@purdue.edu.

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FUTURE LEADERS FORUM

28th – 30th July 2016 ‖ New Orleans, Louisiana

By: Beatriz Licona Vallarino

Forums imply open discussions, and that is exactly what I encountered at New Orleans. A group of like-minded individuals sharing different information not only about their fields of study but also about what they have learned throughout their lives. This was a very filling experience because it allowed me to gain insight on how I can improve certain aspects in my life through the experiences of others.

IEEE-USA Future Leaders Forum was a great adventure for me. Although at first I had to deal with my flight being delayed then cancelled, those obstacles were not going to deter me from going. Once I was able to arrive to the forum, I enjoyed every single minute by listening to the guest speakers, getting involved, as well as exploring the NOLA landscape.

Every speaker I heard came with either an enlightening idea or belief that I hope will help me as I implement it in my life. The forum topics were: connect, solve, empower, adapt and lead. Throughout each different speaker's session, I was able to grasp a strong understanding of how those actions were present in my life and how I can develop them to grow so I become a better person and professional. Furthermore, the leadership labs were very interactive! I saw it as a great way to connect with people and learn more about something you are interested about. I hope to see more of these leadership labs implemented in the future forums.

Without a doubt, the outcomes of this forum were very inspiring and empowering. I felt renewed after it had concluded. As Nancy Martin from GE Global Research said in the forum, "it takes practice to be happy and present." I practiced this throughout the forum, and I feel it enhanced my overall forum experience making it unforgettable.

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Power & Energy / Industry Applications / Power Electronics Society News

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Combined Heat and Power: Project Development and Related Technologies

On September 15 the Midwest Cogeneration Association, IEEE and Bingham Greenebaum Doll are sponsoring a half day seminar over the concepts, benefits, and opportunities of Combined Heat and Power (CHP) that generate electricity and thermal energy for commercial, institutional, and industrial applications. The seminar will take place from 7:45am to 1:00pm at the Bingham Greenebaum Doll conference room. The cost is $125 for IEEE/MCA members, $140 for non-members, and $25 for student members. For more information and to register visit the event site below:

https://meetings.vtools.ieee.org/meeting_view/list_meeting/40880

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Call for Volunteers

The IEEE Central Indiana Section is always looking for energetic members that have a little time to help their section and community. We currently have the following Executive Committee positions open:

- **Computer Society Chapter Chair**
- **Young Professionals Chair**
- **Section Vice Chair**
- **Membership Development Chair**
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If you have an interest in volunteering for any of these positions, would like more details on the positions, or want to help serve your local IEEE Section in any other capacity, please contact Bob Evanich:
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Volunteering can also be a good resume builder and as always, thank you for volunteering!!

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Fall Election Opinions

For information about the Fall Election visit the IEEE annual election home page.

EMBS President Letter to the Membership

August 15, 2016

Dear EMBS Member:

At its November 2015 meeting, the IEEE Board of Directors proposed revisions to the IEEE Constitution. These revisions are to be voted upon by the IEEE membership as part of the 2016 IEEE election ballot, opening 15 August and closing 3 October. The revisions have the stated objective: "Create a nimble, flexible, forward-looking organization."

During our Fall AdCom 2016 meeting, the Engineering in Biology and Medicine Society AdCom and ExCom reviewed and carefully considered the proposed IEEE Constitutional Amendment change, and unanimously passed this motion:

*"The EMBS AdCom and ExCom is **NOT** in favor of the constitutional amendment and revised board structure, as proposed. While we recognize the importance to improve governance and operations within IEEE, we do not believe the proposed revisions to the constitution will accomplish this without compromising fundamental principles of representation."*

The reasoning for opposition are expressed below and include the following:

1. The problem statement that the proposed amendment is attempting to solve is not well-defined;
2. The existing IEEE Constitution offers alternative, less complex ways of accomplishing the intended improvements;
3. There are considerable unknowns associated with still-to-be-written bylaws under the proposed constitution; and
4. The risk associated with a major constitutional change is not clearly outweighed by its possible benefits.

It is unusual that we are asked to vote on this constitutional change before we know what the final new structure would be, and without knowing the new bylaws that will govern the IEEE in the future. The new bylaws are to be written later by the BoD, however, none of the new bylaws will require member vote, or even prior notification. The proposed amendment gives power to the BoD to implement any changes they wish to make, without requiring approval from us, the IEEE Members.

More than half of the governing boards of the IEEE's Societies and Councils with strong ties to EMBS have already spoken against the amendment, including the Computer; Communications; Power and Energy; Circuits and Systems; Electron Devices; Robotics and Automation; Solid-State Circuits and Signal Processing Society.

I urge you to become more familiar with the pros and cons of the amendment, and exercise your right to vote in this critically important juncture for the IEEE. Click here to learn more about the amendment. The rationale for opposition to the constitutional amendment and proposed restructuring can be found on this website.

For background, the IEEE governing documents, including the Constitution and Bylaws, are available at IEEE.org.

The proposed changes are critical to the future of IEEE. If passed, they will not be easy to reverse in the future if we are not happy with them. It is YOUR vote that will decide the fate of IEEE. I encourage you to share this information with other IEEE member colleagues, and urge them to make an informed vote.

Regards,

Andrew Laine

President, IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society

Columbia University

Why Oppose the Proposed IEEE Constitutional Amendment...

...because the proposed 2016 amendment on ballot starting August 15:

• Would enable a small group to take control of IEEE,

• Would move vital parts of the constitution to the bylaws - which will be subject to change by a small group, on short notice,

• Would transfer power from over 300,000 members to a small group of 15-20 insiders,

• Would remove regional and technical activities representation from the Board of Directors, thereby making it possible for a small group of bureaucrats and professional managers to take control of IEEE.

• Changes to the Constitution are fundamental to the nature of the IEEE: open discussion and ethics policies are not being followed by those in power, limiting perspectives communicated to members; censorship and suppression of opposing points of view are not in the spirit of IEEE Squashing debate. Using a return-only loop to the BoD when seeking comments, stifles our membership. The trajectory that is set out in this constitutional amendment and the forces behind it results in a non-member organization, run by a very small board of directors.

The officially published benefits of the proposed amendment are, with my clarifications/corrections in brackets:

•Provide members with the possibility of an increased role selecting the Board of Directors, allowing directors to be elected by the full eligible voting membership of IEEE. [Candidates to be voted on by all the members for this new Board of Directors will ultimately be decided by the sitting Board members each year.]

•Add language encouraging a diverse Board of Directors. [This could have been defined and added to the Bylaws years ago, if the Leadership wanted it.]

•Add the IEEE executive director, the most senior IEEE staff executive, as a non-voting member of the Board to participate from inception in setting the strategic direction of IEEE. [IEEE Executive Director already attends Board Meetings, and participates in setting strategic direction. This change puts the staff director on the Board permanently.]

•Separate the role of an IEEE delegate from an IEEE director, so that directors need not also be delegates. [Why is this needed as it has never been explained or justified?]

•Separate the requirement that corporate officers must also be directors. This will allow corporate officers as currently defined to serve in important leadership positions other than on the Board of Directors. [That means the Vice Presidents of TAB and MGA would no longer have any direct input to the Body setting their budgets and policies.]

•Establish a new role for IEEE delegates, who are members of the IEEE Assembly, to recommend and consult with the Board on revisions to IEEE Bylaws. [Members of the Assembly would have no authority, and the Board of Directors could ignore them.]

The questionable benefits of the amendment do not outweigh its risks.

The existing IEEE constitution offers alternative, less complex ways of accomplishing the various proposed improvements, while maintaining members at the core of the decision making process.

Additional reasons for opposing the constitutional amendment and proposed restructuring may be found here: https://ieee2016blog.wordpress.com

The proposed changes to the Constitution can be found here:

https://www.ieee.org/.../e.../2016_constitutional_amendment.html

Please vote no to amending the IEEE Constitution, and tell your friends to vote no.

Thank you,

Marc

Marc T. Apter

2013 IEEE-USA President

In mid-August 2016 you will be receiving a ballot from IEEE. Included in this ballot is a vote on proposed changes to the IEEE Constitution. The main change is that the decisions on the governance structure would be moved from the Constitution to the Bylaws. Note: The Constitution needs to be approved by the members but the Bylaws only by the Board of Directors. It is widely understood that, if you vote FOR this amendment and it passes, it will reduce the influence the general membership has on setting IEEE policies. We encourage you to review all available information, or ask us questions before you cast your vote in mid-August. Most importantly, please vote. We cannot afford to have this issue decided by a very small minority of members who usually vote in IEEE elections.

The IEEE website on the Constitutional Amendment can be found at the following link. https://www.ieee.org/about/corporate/election/2016_constitutional_amendment.html

After careful thought and consideration, the IEEE PES Governing Board has decided that the proposed amendments to the IEEE Constitution may not be in the best interest of our members, and offers the following opinions for your consideration.

- The foremost concern is the right and the ability of IEEE volunteer members to have a voice in the future governance structure of IEEE. The proposed changes would move the language related to the governance structure from the Constitution to the Bylaws, which could be changed in the future without approval of the volunteer membership, thereby removing the member's ability to control the future direction of IEEE.

- Currently there are 20 Director positions on the IEEE Board. There are 20 different Nominating Committees who select candidates (at least two) for each of these 20 positions. They are then elected by 20 different groups of volunteer members from Regions 1 to 10 and technical Divisions 1 to 10. This gives members at the grassroots level the ability to select their own directors.   The proposed structure would have 12 Directors with all candidates selected by only one unelected Nominating Committee and presented to the IEEE membership for a vote. We consider this risky with the potential that candidates may not have an appreciation for the concerns of the major volunteer constituencies in IEEE at the grassroots level.

- We believe that IEEE has provided a large amount of funding for major projects that have yielded little or no ROI (return on investment), and are of marginal value to most IEEE members. We also believe IEEE needs to improve its internal efficiencies. However, with the elimination of 10 Division Directors and 10 Regional Directors as stipulated in the proposed plan, the valuable checks and balances within the BOD will effectively disappear if the proposed Constitutional Amendments pass.

CONCLUSION
The bottom line is that the PES Governing Board is concerned that the constitution changes and the proposed governance models will do little to fix the problems of IEEE as we see them.

When those checks and balances no longer exist, we are extremely fearful that a small group of Board members can make changes without voting-member concurrence, and the rise in costs and overheads will spiral out of control. All societies are "taxed" at a rate that would probably not be tolerated in private industry. Allowing appointed IEEE officers (Board–appointed officers and IEEE senior staff positions such as the executive director, etc.) to be Board members (of one of the three Boards as outlined in the IEEE 2030 proposals) is contrary to the statement that IEEE is a volunteer-led nonprofit organization.   In addition, IEEE overhead costs have become so "hidden" that it is now necessary to have a "Financial Transparency" Committee that is trying to determine the true cost of all these overheads.

We do not believe the proposed governance structure is a positive step for either IEEE or PES for reasons outlined in bullets above and the "Background Information" provided later in this communication.

There's a great likelihood that problems will get worse. With the three governance bodies instead of the one current BOD, it's a given that IEEE overheads will rise even more, something that IEEE cannot tolerate. In summary, we cannot see how three governing bodies is a better alternative to solve the current problems and how allowing the BOD to make decisions on the structure of IEEE without membership approval will improve transparency.

On behalf of the PES Governing Board, I encourage you to carefully review the above discussions as well as the information presented on the IEEE Constitution Amendment webpage and vote on this proposal based on facts to address concerns raised above.

The link to the IEEE Constitutional Amendment webpage is provided here again for your convenience. https://www.ieee.org/about/corporate/election/2016_constitutional_amendment.html

Sincerely yours,

Damir Novosel, PhD
IEEE PES President
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Beginning Monday, 15 August, you will have the opportunity to shape the future of IEEE. All eligible voting members will receive electronic access to the 2016 IEEE annual election ballot via email. A paper ballot will also be sent by mail. This is your opportunity to elect the officers that will serve on the top-tier IEEE governing bodies as well as vote on an amendment to the IEEE Constitution. As a member-driven organization, your voice matters - I want to personally encourage you to vote in this election.

In light of its importance to IEEE, I urge you to be informed about this Constitutional amendment. Accurate information about the proposed changes and rationale can be found on the amendment public page on the IEEE website.

Over the past 18 months, the IEEE Board of Directors has engaged in a thorough and deliberative process to develop recommendations that will best position IEEE for the opportunities and challenges of the 21st century. These recommendations, in the form of a single amendment to the IEEE Constitution, will be presented for approval as part of the 15 August balloting process.

The main considerations that guided the Board's development of the Constitutional amendment were to provide for a more flexible and adaptive governance structure and to increase the member's voice in selecting our most senior-level leaders. In addition, the amendment strengthens our commitment to diversity including such factors as technical, geographic, gender, experience, and educational backgrounds in the composition of a richly varied and active Board of Directors.

IEEE members are responsible for guiding our professional society to meet the opportunities and challenges resulting from changes in our external environment. Please contribute your well-informed voice to the future of IEEE by voting for the next generation of IEEE leaders and on the Constitutional amendment.

If you have any questions not covered here or in the link, please send them to president@ieee.org. Thank you for your time and consideration on this important topic. I look forward to your decisions on future IEEE leadership and the Constitutional amendment.

Sincerely,

Barry L. Shoop, Ph.D., P.E.
2016 IEEE President and CEO

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