## **IEEE LIBERIA SUBSECTION FIRST MEETING**

## Date: August 2, 2019

Day: Friday; Time: 11:15 AM- 01:15 PM Venue: Auditorium, BlueCrest University College, Sinkor Road, Monrovia, Liberia

## Agenda:

- INTRODUCTION OF ALL IEEE MEMBERS
- IEEE LIBERIA SUBSECTION MISSION AND VISION
- ACTIVITIES PLAN 2019
- IEEE DAY CELEBRATION PLANNING
- IEEE WOMEN IN ENGINEERING (WIE)
- OTHER MATTERS

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 AM.

Canice and Kate IEEE Volunteers from BlueCrest University College Liberia introduce ExCom Members - Mr. Kamal Kant Hiran (Chair), Dr. Ruchi Doshi (Secretary), Mr. Borbor Teddy Sombai (Treasure) and Mr. Caleb Massaley (Webmaster) with their brief profile and role in the IEEE Liberia Subsection.

Ms. Kate Hunter invited Dr. Ruchi Doshi Secretary, for her speech and experience in the IEEE. Firstly, she welcomed all the IEEE Student, Graduate student member, Professional members, Senior Members and Guest dignitaries in the meeting. Then she asked from the audiences to introduce yourself and asked them why you joined the IEEE? Like for Caleb Massaley, he said he sees IEEE as a reservoir for knowledge regarding trending technologies. Mr. Borbor Teddy Sombai who is a software engineering lecturer elaborated that in other to be abreast with technological standards, and policies, you should turn to IEEE. Everyone else give his or her reasons for joining IEEE. Others that were invited to the meeting also express their interest in joining IEEE.

Dr. Doshi also emphasis on the Women Role in the IEEE and assure all women in meeting that women can do better with the help of full support. She also conveys the message about the petition for the Women in Engineering Affinity group in Liberia.

We also had in our mist, students from other universities who where interested in being an IEEE member but had no clues as to how to become a member and how will the membership subscription be paid. Mr. Kamal and Dr. Doshi clearly explained the process and also explained the kinds of membership and their benefits.

Mr. Kamal has given slide presentation about IEEE orientation including video presentations.

Mr. Canice Morris, IEEE Volunteer of the BlueCrest University College Liberia volunteered to visit other vocational and technical institutions in Liberia to tell students as well as faculties about IEEE, what they do, and the benefits of becoming a member.

"I spoke with the Director of Training, Monrovia Vocational Training Center (MVTC) regarding IEEE in Liberia, he welcomes the idea and planned to do a formal communication inviting me to talk about IEEE at his institution."

IEEE Liberia Subsection will work in align with the IEEE Mission and Vision.

**Mission statement:** IEEE's core purpose is to foster technological innovation and excellence for the benefit of humanity.

**Vision statement:** IEEE will be essential to the global technical community and to technical professionals everywhere and be universally recognized for the contributions of technology and of technical professionals in improving global conditions.

The meeting ended at 01:15 PM with group photo graphs.

Next meeting: September 18, 2019 for the IEEE Day 2019 Celebration Planning and other activities plan for the Year 2019

Minutes Recorded by: Dr. Ruchi Doshi (IEEE Liberia Subsection, Secretary)