

18 March 2025 – Kansas City Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 2025-03-18

Time: 07:00 PM CST

Location: Virtual Only

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Description: Executive Committee Meeting for the Kansas City Section of IEEE (R50019)

Chair: Italo Bett (italo.bett@ieee.org)

Vice Chair: Sayan Roy (sayan.roy.us@ieee.org)

Treasurer: Charles Kandra (ckandra@ieee.org)

Meeting Secretary: Andrew Johnson (andrew.johnson@ieee.org)

Attendees: Arnab Das (arnabdas@ieee.org), Charles Kandra (ckandra@ieee.org), Jason Weil (jason.weil@ieee.org), Sayan Roy (sayan.roy.us@ieee.org), Kirk Duncan (kirk.duncan@ieee.org), Andrew Johnson (andrew.johnson@ieee.org)

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting officially begins at 7:05 PM CDT.

Old Business

- None

Discussion Items

Charles kicks off the meeting by going over CVD. For this year, KC Section is sending no one since there were no requests.

Greentech/R5 congress will be in Dever, CO next year. For this year, the event will be in Wichita, KS March 28 – 30. We are able to send an optional section delegate in addition to Sayan Roy, who will be our primary section delegate. Travel must be booked 21 days prior to the event in order to be reimbursable. Andrew Johnson will be attending as the Optional Section Delegate as well. Expense reports will be submitted through Concur and Charles requests emails be sent to himself and Italo upon submission.

Charles discusses support requests and finances related to them. Arnab raises the question regarding the qualifier “STEM activity.” They wish to know if the funds are available for K-12 students as well. The

consensus seems to be that the ExCom can use their own discretion when allocating funds and this should not be an issue.

Charles talks about financials. KC Section is “very financially healthy” as we are operating at nearly net zero expenses when long- and short-term financial holdings, and the interested earned on them, are considered. Therefore, the sponsorship requests for \$2,000 each for Shawnee Mission HS and UMKC’s activities are of no concern and pass with the majority in favor. IEEE will receive recognition in both cases and Charles indicates he will write the groups separate checks.

Kirk joins the meeting and shares that he is the new Lifetime Membership Chair. He requests time on next month’s agenda to give a history of IEEE and the way the section used to do things.

Jason gives an update regarding the upcoming PES/PIS events to be co-hosted at Burns & Mac each Tuesday in April. Dinner will be provided and is covered by the registration cost. Jason also asks for the KC Section to assist with the Spring Seminar Series publicity by sending e-notices.

Jason also mentions he is planning four lunch and learns for the year.

Computer Society Chapter Updates

None.

Communication Society Chapter Updates

Arnab mentions the possibility of doing a presentation in late April. The slides would come from a work event so they need to get a full approval before they can commit to a date. A 5G workshop is something they are also considering.

Dr. Roy mentions UMKC would be interested in hosting Arnab as a speaker.

Upcoming Regional Meetings

Region 5 Congress and GreenTech: Mar 28 – 30 @ Wichita, KS (PSD + OSD) – IEEE HKN Ceremony

Congressional Visits Day: April 8 – 9 @ Washington, DC (ExCom Constituent and Region 5 grant)

Next Meeting

(Tentative) Tuesday, April 15th, 2025 @ 7-8 PM CDT, Virtual

Adjournment

The meeting ends at 7:59 PM CDT.

Reference

Rolling Action Item List

Action	Assigned To	Due Date	Status
Spring Seminar Series Notifications	Andrew Johnson	April 2025	
Register for R5 Congress/Greentech	Sayan Roy, Andrew Johnson	March 2025	Complete
ExCom members to access Collabratec and join the Kansas City Section Workspace	All ExCom Members	Feb 2025	Complete
Reach out to Italo.Bett@ieee.org to discuss initial activities	Kalyan, Kyrian, Luis, Phanim	Feb 2025	Complete