

# **Region 2 Past Director Report**

**Moshe Kam**

**4 February 2006**

# Two subjects

- **Item B34 on the BoD Agenda: IEEE Policy 10 – Meetings, Conferences, Symposia and Expositions**
- **Selection of Candidates for Region 2 Director-elect/Delegate-elect**

# December 2005: motion to change IEEE Policy 10

- **Motion includes many administrative changes concerning the way IEEE conferences are conducted**
- **Specifically there were serious restrictions on the ability of any geographical unit to conduct conferences outside its territory**
  - **No conferences/workshops outside the unit's area**
  - **No possible cooperation on a conference between geographical units**
- **Objections were raised by John Meredith and me**
- **Philadelphia Section wrote to the President of IEEE**

# February 2006: revised motion (1)

- Organizational units can be categorized into two classes, geographic and non-geographic.
  - Geographic organizational units, such as **Regions, Sections & Chapters**, are established to serve all of the technical interests of IEEE members residing within specific geographic areas. In order to do this, geographic organizational units may sponsor conferences of technical interest to the local members.
  - Non-geographic organizational units are established to serve interests without regard to geographic boundaries. These interests could be technical, educational, or professional in nature. Examples include Societies/Councils, Educational Activities, and IEEE-USA.

# February 2006: revised motion (2)

- Each organizational unit has a defined scope field of interest or geographical interest area. **It is expected** that each organizational unit run conferences within their defined scope field of interest or geographical interest area.
- When an organizational unit moves out of their defined geographical area of interest or scope field of interest, **co-sponsorship and cross endorsements are recommended and in some cases required**, (Policy 10.1.4.).

# Cross Endorsements

- Cross endorsement is the endorsement from one organizational unit for another organizational unit's conference. Cross endorsement typically occurs between geographic and non-geographic organizational units.

# Cross Endorsements

- It is recommended cross endorsement be sought from the Section, when a conference is being held in the geographic area of the Section if the conference is sponsored by another IEEE geographic or non-geographic organizational unit.

# Cross Endorsements

- It is recommended cross endorsement be sought from the non-geographic organizational unit (Society, EAB, IEEE-USA, and SA), when another geographic or non-geographic organizational unit is holding a conference in its field of interest.

# Recommendation

- **No action is recommended at the present time**
- **We will monitor B34 and intervene if changes are introduced.**

# End of Subject 1

# **Elections for Region 2 Director Elect**

**Moshe Kam, Chair**

**Region 2 N&A Committee**

# **Part 1: Introduction and Procedures**

**4 February 2006**

# Background

- **On 1 September 2006 IEEE will start distributing ballots for the Annual Elections**
- **The ballots must include at least two (2) candidates for the position of Region 2 Director-Elect/Delegate-Elect**

# Region 2 Director-Elect/Delegate-Elect

- Serves as “elect” 2007-2008
- Serves as Director/Delegate 2009-2010
  - Chair of R2 committee
  - Member of the IEEE Assembly
  - Member of the IEEE Board of Directors
  - Member of the Board of IEEE-USA
  - Member of the Regional Activities Board
- Serves as past Director of R2 committee 2011-2012
  - Chairs the N&S Committee

# Requirements

- **Senior Member or IEEE Fellow**
- **Resides in Region 2**
- **Willing to be nominated and serve if elected**

# Role of R2 committee

- **The R2 Committee owns the process**
- **The committee is obligated to recommend at least two (2) candidates for the position**
  - **Maximum is three**
  - **In the last four cycles the Committee recommended two**
- **Other candidates may be added to the ballot by petition**
  - **This has happened in two of the last four elections**

# **Actions of R2 N&A committee**

- **Announced incoming elections in R2 meetings and teleconferences**
- **Sent message via e-mail to all Sections in September 2005**
- **Sent messages via e-mail to all major schools and 24 industrial organizations in R2**
- **Sent reminder via e-mail in January 2006**

# **Actions of R2 N&A committee**

- **Approached 12 individuals to determine interest in the position**
- **Developed list of candidates for discussion by the R2 committee**
  - **The list has three (3) candidates**
    - **Had four (4), but there was a withdrawal on Thursday**

# Criteria used by the N&A Committee

- **Experience of a candidate as a volunteer**
  - **Volume of work, content (diversity), consistency, and quality**
- **Evidence of understanding of the challenges of the Region**
- **Evidence of understanding of the “general” challenges of IEEE and the profession**

# **Actions by the R2 committee on 5 February 2006 (1)**

- **Decide how many candidates to recommend**
  - **In the last four elections the Committee elected to recommend TWO (2)**
- **Determine whether to accept nominations from the floor**
  - **In the last four elections the committee received nomination from the floor if there was a second**

# **Actions by the R2 committee on 5 February 2006 (2)**

- **Decide on elections procedure**
- **Follow procedure – to select the designated number of candidates**

# Proposed elections procedure (1)

- **A teller committee is selected by committee vote**
- **N&A Chair puts names of committee-recommended candidates in nomination**
- **Nominations from the floor are made (if allowed)**
- **Nomination process is closed**

# Proposed elections procedure (2)

- **Candidates who are members of the committee are excused**
- **N&A Chair introduces candidates recommended by the Committee (Brief!)**
- **Nominator introduces other candidates (Brief!)**
- **Candidates address the committee (10 minutes each)**
- **Members of R2 committee discuss candidates**

# Proposed elections procedure (3)

- **Voting rounds begin**
  - Approval voting applies
  - Candidate with lowest number of votes is dropped at each round
    - If more than one candidate has the lowest number of votes, a separate round is held between these candidates
      - to determined whose name(s) will be dropped from further consideration
- **When the designated number of candidates remain, the process is stopped, and these candidates are declared elected**

# Questions or Comments

# Slides for 5 February

**Part 2:  
Elections of R2 candidates for  
Director-elect/Delegate-elect**

**5 February 2006**

**Proposed procedure**

**From N&A Committee**

# Proposed Procedure (1)

- **Decision on an executive session**
- **Decision on presence of non-voting members of the N&A committee**
- **Decision on the number of nominees**
- **Decision on nominations from the floor**
- **Selection of tellers**

# Proposed Procedure (2)

- **Presentation of candidates proposed by the N&A Committee (names only)**
- **Nominations from the floor (Names only)**
  - **If decided earlier to allow**
- **Closing the nomination process**

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# Proposed Procedure (4)

- **Voting rounds begin (voting members who are candidates are called back)**
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- **If proposed, additional discussion between rounds**
  - **Candidates are excused**
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# Motion on procedures

- **“I move that the selection procedure proposed by the N&A committee be approved.”**
- **“I move that the selection procedure proposed by the N&A committee be amended as follows:”**

# Issue 1: Executive Session?

- **Should the selection of candidates be done in executive session? (in the past: yes)**
  - **“I move that the selection of candidates be (not be) done in executive session”**
- **If the selection is to be done in executive session, should members of the N&A committee be allowed to stay in the room? (in the past: yes)**
  - **“I move that members of the N&A committee who are not voting member be (not be) allowed to stay in the room”**

# Issue 2: Number of Nominees?

- **In the recent past: 2**
- **“I move that the R2 committee recommend 2 (3) candidates for the position Director-elect/Delegate-elect”**

## Issue 3: Nominations from the floor?

- **In the past – nominations allowed – one nominator plus one supporter (second)**
- **I move that nominations from the floor be disallowed**
- **I move that nominations from the floor be allowed (one nominators and x additional supporters)**

# Issue 4: Tellers

- **“I move that ... be appointed tellers”**
- **We need two (2)**
- **In the past we used past R2 Directors**

# Presentation of candidates by the N&A Committee

- **The N&A Committee is pleased to recommend the following candidates:**
- **Candidate 1**
- **Candidate 2**
- **Candidate 3**

# Nominations from the floor

- **“I move that ... be considered as a candidate for Region 2 Director-elect/Delegate-elect”**

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- **“I move that ... be considered as a candidate for Region 2 Director-elect/Delegate-elect”**
- **Second**
  - **possibly others required**

# Closing nominations

- **“I move that the nomination process be closed”**

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# Candidate 1

- **Current position:**
- **Education:**
- **IEEE grade**
- **Picture of Candidate 1**

# Selected IEEE Activities

- **Selected IEEE activities of Candidate 1**

# Candidate 2

- **Current position:**
- **Education:**
- **IEEE grade**
- **Picture of Candidate 2**

# Selected IEEE Activities

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# Candidate 3

- **Current position:**
- **Education:**
- **IEEE grade**
- **Picture of Candidate 3**

# Selected IEEE Activities

- **Selected IEEE activities of Candidate 3**

# Presentation and Discussion (2)

- **Nominators introduce other candidates (Brief!)**
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# Voting

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