



IEEE TT Section

Meeting Minutes
March 8th, 2025

Opening:

The administrative meeting of the IEEE TT Section was called to order at 9:30AM on March 8th, 2025, by Eng. Sachin Ganpat (SG).

Present:

Kevin Thompson (KT) – Vice Chair
Sachin Ganpat (SG) – Secretary/Chair – JCCS Chapter
Shane Awai (SA) – Treasurer
Daniel Ringis (DR) – Membership Development Officer
Anthony Chadee (AC) – Past Chair
Tariq Mohammed (TM) – Chair – Young Professionals
Ismaeel Hosein (IH) – Past Chair – Young Professionals
Vikash Deonarane (VD)
Deliece Pierre (DP)
Vindra Kanhai (VK)
Timothy Noyan (TN)
Jason Ramsingh (JR)

Apologies:

Tagore Ramlal (TR) – Chair
Kit Fai Pun (KP) – Chair – TEMS Chapter

A. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was discussed as follows:

1. Chair Opening Remarks
2. Summary and Highlights 2024 and Plans for 2025
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Chapters' Reports
5. Other Business
6. Closure and Vote of Thanks

The agenda was unanimously approved as discussed.

B. Chair Opening Remarks

The Vice Chair, Eng. Kevin Thompson (KT), apologized for the absence of the Chair, Eng. Tagore Ramlal (TR), who is away on IEEE business. He then proceeded to the Summary and Highlights of 2024 and plans for 2025.

C. Summary and Highlights 2024 and Plans for 2025

- KT provided a comprehensive summary of the section's key activities and achievements in 2024, including technical workshops, outreach programs, and professional development initiatives.
- He outlined the strategic direction for 2025, focusing on increased industry collaboration, student engagement, and expanded technical activities. These are outlined in the 2025 strategic plan that will be shared with the membership and is aligned with the global IEEE Strategic plan.

D. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer, Eng. Shane Awai (SA) presented the Treasurer's Report.

- The financial statement for 2024 was presented, highlighting income, expenses, and the financial position of the section.
- SA guided that events for the year should be planned, and the budget allocations approved by the executive for 2025, ensuring continued financial stability and funding for planned initiatives.
- The report was opened for questions, and members sought clarification on specific expenditures and funding strategies.

F. Chapters' Reports

Technology and Engineering Management Society (TEMS) Chapter:

- SG advised that the TEMS Chair, Prof. Kit Fai Pun, was unable to attend the meeting but had provided a report that will be shared via email to the members.

Young Professionals (YP) Affinity Group:

- The YP Chair, Tariq Mohammed (TM), provided an update on activities conducted in 2024, including mentorship programs, networking events, and technical seminars.
- Plans for 2025 include expanding outreach to young engineers, increasing collaboration with industry leaders, and promoting IEEE membership benefits for early-career professionals.
- TM provided a proposed list of activities, including budgetary figures for the events and other materials.

Joint Computer and Communications Society (JCCS) Chapter:

- The Chair, Eng. Sachin Ganpat, provided an overview of JCCS activities for 2024, highlighting IEEE's role in fostering collaboration among academic institutions and industry professionals.
- Key initiatives included hosting technical lectures, supporting student research, and facilitating industry-academic partnerships.
- He emphasized the need for continued engagement with universities to identify research and funding opportunities.
- Plans for 2025 involve strengthening industry links, increasing engagement in IEEE activities, partnering with other organisations, and having distinguished lecture(s).

G. Other Business

- Members shared feedback and suggestions for improving IEEE TT's activities.
- The topics discussed included enhancing member engagement, potential collaborations with academic institutions, and strategies for increasing membership.

H. Closure and

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40AM by SG. All attendees were thanked for their participation and the section is looking forward to their continued participation and commitment to future events.

Minutes submitted by:

Sachin Ganpat

Approved by: