

MINUTES OF THE 56TH COMMITTEE MEETING

OF IEEE AUSTRALIAN SECTION

Held at North Sydney Technical College, Gore Hill,  
on Wednesday, 2nd November, 1977, at 1900.

Present: D.G. Bradshaw, Chairman; Messrs. A.F. Rister, L.J. Clementson  
F. Shaw, R. Zakarevicius, P.I. Somlo, H.T. Whiteside.

Apologies: Professor R.M. Huey, Dr. R. Radzyner.

1. 56th Committee Meeting.

1.1. EEMC/IEEE Symposium

Much discussion was recorded on the EEMC Symposium, primarily centred on the poor attendance and reporting on the Symposium. Various members of the Committee commented adversely on the A.B.C. for quoting part only of the keynote address by Sir Philip Baxter, with no reference to IEEE at all. The Chairman elected to make comment to the A.B.C. and requested Mr. P.I. Somlo to draft a letter. Comments on the attendance at the Paper Session:

- a. Incorrect Timing. The symposium closely followed other Technical Paper Sessions and Symposia in Sydney and Canberra. Few Academics could attend in October.
- b. The IEEE papers were delivered on the last two days of the four day EEMC Exhibition.
- c. Four topics were possibly too many. One major topic may have been better.
- d. The session papers could have included practical matters of the day.
- e. H. Blanks, IREE Aust. has offered to publish EEMC papers in Monitor. IEEE to accept with thanks.
- f. Prof. Karbowiak has offered to assist in increasing attendance at future symposia.

1.2. There was general opinion that technical paper sessions should continue to be held by the Australian Section. Future symposia to be arranged to attract industrial participation.

1.3. Promotion

There was general discussion on how the interest of all members of the Australian Section can be stimulated. The Chairman pointed out the merits of committee member association with leaders in education, industry and the media. It is of importance that the Committee bear in mind the promotion of IEEE to industry at appropriate levels. This should be vigorously pursued. The Chairman pointed out the merits of committee member association with leaders in education, industry and

1.3. the media. It is of importance that the Committee bear in mind Cont. the promotion of IEEE to industry at appropriate levels. This should be vigorously pursued. The Chairman pointed out one avenue of doing this possibly would be to accept the offer of the Australian Electrical World to mail this journal free to IEEE members. Following general discussion, it was decided to defer acceptance of the offer from the Australian Electrical World for the time being, so that ways and means to benefit IEEE more could be planned.

2. The Minutes of the 55th Committee Meeting having been circulated were adopted subject to point 5.2 on motion by Peter Somlo who moved an amendment to the reading that the print-out requirement is for Australian Section and not Student Member List.

3. Correspondence

Letter from Professor Bognor to the Chairman, thanking the Chairman for the cheque and again requesting print-out of IEEE Members to South Australia which is long overdue. This list will greatly assist in contacting members reference technical paper sessions. The Secretary is to pursue this with New York.

Letter from Faber Castel. No reply necessary. Professor Bennett of Sydney University has enquired re the Continuing Education Programme.

Secretary received a personal note from the Lord Mayor, Leo Port, thanking the Committee for their thoughts and assistance to him.

The Secretary received acknowledgement from New York on materials ordered.

Fergus Shaw has had a request from Andrew Antennas to join IEEE. The Secretary is to forward a membership form and reply to Andrew, addressed to Mr. B. Hoolihan, Managing Director.

The Secretary is to forward a letter to all lecturers at the recent symposium expressing the thanks of the Committee.

4. Dr. Radzyner and Dr. Zakarevicius reported in detail on the Student Paper Contests.

5. The \$100 cheque to the winner, Mr. Krishnan-Iyer is in Dr. Radzyner's hands to be forwarded now. The illuminated scroll is to be prepared by Dr. Radzyner in conjunction with Mr. Phipps. The results of the Student Paper Contests, both Regional and Australian Section, are to be published in the next Newsletter. The winner is to be invited to present his paper in Brisbane early next year. Chairman to present scroll at that time. Dr. Radzyner to arrange.

6. Finance - Advances

It was agreed to provide a \$50 imprest advance to Dr. Radzyner for expenses in Student Membership matters. (Secretarial expenses of \$157 incurred to 1st November were paid and a cheque for \$200 was given to the Secretary as imprest advance.)