

**Meeting Summary  
IEEE Power Electronics Society  
Meetings Committee  
Phoenix, Arizona  
10 September 2000**

**Attending:** Kevin Fellhoelter, Chair; Bill Dunford; Randy Frank; Tom Habetler; Bill Hazen; Jerry Hudgins; Mark Jacobs; Tom Jahns; Bob Jurfewicz; Arthur Kelley; Phil Krein; Chris Riddleberger; Enrico Santi; Gene Wester; Katsuichi Yotsumoto; Bob Myers.

PELS Vice President-Meetings Kevin Fellhoelter called the meeting to order and asked that the minutes of the last meeting be approved by consent, a proposal readily granted.

**PESC®**

Tom Habetler said PESC'02 has signed agreements for use of a convention center and adjacent hotels in Cairns, Australia. PESC'03 will take place in Acapulco, Mexico, he said, and PESC'04 will be held at Aachen, Germany. The chair of PESC'04, Rik DeDoncker is working on a cooperative agreement with a German counterpart organization. PESC'05 is scheduled for Recife, Brazil. No proposal has been received or indicated for PESC'06 and normally the venue would be in Region 10 (Asia) but Habetler said there has been discussion about another region if appropriate.

PESC'01 – Bill Dunford said papers are being received on the web and planning is progressing on target. He said seed money was needed and the AdCom has authorized \$20,000. **ACTION: Dunford will have the PESC'01 administrative office request needed funds from Bob Myers.** Dunford asked for comments about the PESC'02 website: <http://www.conferences.ubc.ca/pesc2001>

PESC'2000 - After the meeting, Ger Hurley, chair of PESC'2000 submitted a written report which follows:

“PESC '00: Continuing a Great Tradition

“The 2000 Power Electronics Specialists Conference in Galway, Ireland was among the largest ever PESC Meetings. More than 430 delegates from 35 countries attended along with 90 guests. 260 papers were presented at the conference as well as four tutorials and three rap sessions. For the first time this year, the PESC proceedings were printed in three volumes reflecting the extra papers which resulted from a record 600 abstracts which were submitted last September.

“Severe delays at Heathrow Airport on the opening weekend of the conference did not dampen the enthusiasm of the delegates who attended the Welcome Reception on Sunday night, on the Banks of the River Corrib. For many it was their first introduction to Guinness, while for many more it was a question of renewing an old acquaintance on home turf. The Mayor of Galway extended a Céad Míle Fáilte (a Hundred Thousand Welcomes) to everyone. On Monday Morning the Conference was officially open by the Irish Minister for Science and Technology, Mr Noel Tracey T.D. accompanied by the Vice President of the University, Prof. Ruth Curtis.

"The four tutorials on Sunday were very well attended by 140 delegates, DSP Motor Control by Finbarr Moynihan, Power Electronics Building Blocks by Ned Mohan, Power Conversion Techniques by Rudy Severns and Three-phase Rectifiers by Johann Kolar.

"The rap sessions on Tuesday evening were lively and generated plenty of controversy, covering Power Quality (Richard Redl), Packaging (Daan van Wyk) and Computing (David Hamill). Tours of Galway and its environs were organised on Wednesday afternoon and finally the rain arrived, some delegates had been disappointed with the 30 °C weather on Sunday and Monday, so now we had "typical Irish weather". The highlight of the social program was the Conference Banquet attended by 450 delegates and quests. The best of Irish food, drink, song and dance were on offer. Many of the delegates participated in an Irish Folkdance. On Thursday evening the Cois Cladagh Choir entertained at St. Nicholas' Church, Christopher Columbus is reputed to have visited the church before heading to the New World. The choir sang songs from nine countries spanning six centuries, for many delegates this concert was the highlight of their visit to Galway.

"The awards lunch was held on Friday and was the last event of PESC '00. The awards lunch and winners were described in detail in the July issue of the Newsletter. Congratulations to all the winners. The awards lunch was concluded with presentation of PESC '01 site in Vancouver, British Columbia by Bill Dunford.

"Ger Hurley  
General Chair, PESC '00"

#### **INTELEC®**

Bob Jurewicz said advance registrations are extremely strong for INTELEC'2000 with approximately 750 in place. He said Mark Jacobs has done an excellent job and deserves the commendation of the Society.

He listed future sites for INTELEC:

2001 –Edinburgh  
2002 –Montreal  
2003 – Yokohama  
2004 – Chicago  
2005 – Berlin  
2006 - Washington, DC (but may change)  
2007 – Rome  
2008 – Atlanta  
2009 – Korea  
2010 – North America  
2011 – Singapore or Taiwan

And for TELESCon:

2003 –Rio de Janeiro  
2006 –to be determined

#### **APEC®**

No report.

### **Workshop on Automotive Electronics**

The date and location for the 2000 workshop have changed because of a conflict with another event, Randy Frank reported. The workshop has been rescheduled for December 5 and 6 in the Detroit area. The Southeast Michigan Section will be a co-sponsor of the workshop. Frank moved **MOTION: that the Meetings Committee recommend approval by the AdCom of the Southeast Michigan Section as a co-sponsor and that, further, the Society provide \$2,000 in seed money.** The recommendation was authorized.

The Meetings Committee adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

Submitted,

Robert Myers  
PELS Administrator