

MINUTES

THE MEETINGS COMMITTEE OF THE IEEE POWER ELECTRONICS SOCIETY

Date: Sunday, June 25, 1989

Location: Pfister Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Attending: (in **bold**)

William W. (Trey) Burns, III	Committee Chairman
Arthur W. Kelley	Committee Secretary

<u>Conference</u>	<u>General Chair</u>	<u>Program Chair</u>
PESC '88	Koosuke Harada	Fumio Harashima
PESC '89	Thomas Lipo	William Sayle II
PESC '90	Mehrdad Ehsani	Martin Schlecht
PESC '91	Martin Schlecht	Deepak Divan
PESC '92	Fernando Aldana	Javier Uceda
PESC '93	Peter Lauritzen	TBD

APEC '89	William Burns, III	Robert White
APEC '90	Robert White	Chuck Harm
APEC '91	Chuck Harm	TBD
APEC '92	TBD	TBD

Pierre Thollot	Power Electronics Society President
Jerry Hudgins	Power Electronics Society Treasurer
Mahmoud Sayani	APEC Finance Chair
Balarama Murty	Automotive Power Electronics
Robert Corbett	Chapter Liaison
Philip T. Krein	Mailing List Management
George Verghese	Computers in Power Electronics
Julie Ellis	APEC Operating Guide
Harry Owen, Jr.	PELS Newsletter

Visitors

Tom Wilson, Sr.	Duke University
Martha Tullis	IBM, Rochester, Minnesota
Fred C. Lee	VPI&SU
Piero Maranesi	Politecnico Di Milano – Italy
Enrico Chiesa	Politecnico Di Milano – Italy
Allesandro Gandelli	Politecnico Di Milano – Italy
Walt Maslowski (for T. Jahns)	Allen Bradley
Ronald Brown	Marquette University
Jim Skiles	University of Wisconsin

1. Roll Call and Welcome — Chair Trey Burns called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. Members and guests attending the meeting introduced themselves.
2. Presentation of Agenda — The Agenda (see attachment #1) was presented, and adopted.
3. Approval of Minutes — The minutes of the March 14, 1989 meeting had been previously distributed. They were approved without revision.

4. Status of the "Power Electronics in the Automotive Industry" workshop — B. Murty (not present) — no report. A flyer with registration form (see attachment #2) was distributed later in the conference.
5. Status of the Mailing List — P. Krein — The updated Courtesy Associates list along with the IEEE list was used for the PESC program mailing. W. Burns requested a letter describing how the mailing was done for use by future conference chair. T. Wilson reported receiving no program; most others reported receiving one only.
6. Invitation to Cooperate with the International Conference on Electric Machines (ICEM '90) — W. Burns — reported receiving request to cooperate with ICEM '90 (see attachment #3), especially in terms of sharing mailing list. Motion made, seconded, and passed unanimously to do so. W. Burns will inform the IEEE.
7. PESC Status Reports (if requested by chairs)
 - A. 1989 PESC — T. Lipo — will talk to M. Ehsani to report some "wrinkles" that had been discovered this year. In particular, problems with overseas mailing had occurred. R. Brown has additional suggestions for M. Ehsani. These three to caucus after main meeting.
 - B. 1990 PESC — M. Ehsani — In response to space concerns raised at prior meeting, has reserved meeting rooms at the San Antonio convention center across the street from the hotel. Has reserved six-hundred-person room for large meetings and four smaller rooms for sessions. Therefore feels that "space is no object." Receptions, etc., will still be at the hotel.

As suggested at prior meeting, has changed personnel for publicity in Europe and Asia.

J. Hudgins (publicity chair) has distributed call for papers at APEC '89 and PESC '89 and will perform first mailing of call for papers after PESC. The final call for papers is scheduled 9/1/89. H. Owen will put the call for papers in the newsletter.
 - C. 1991 PESC — M. Schlecht — Rooms for conference lodging are reserved at the Hyatt Regency and the MIT dorms.

Requested guidance on the location of meeting rooms.
 - Option 1: Student center rooms – contiguous, but not specifically intended for presentations
 - Option 2: MIT lecture halls – in separate buildings on MIT campus, but specifically intended for presentations and more "intimate."

Most committee members preferred option 1, and M. Schlecht will pursue this option
 - D. 1992 PESC — F. Aldana — "no problems foreseen"
 - E. 1993 PESC — P. Lauritzen — several questions and data items for committee
 1. Choice of date: June 21–25 or June 28–July 2. The general committee agreement was for June 21–25.

2. Data on facilities and accommodations provided (see attachment #4).
3. Worried about limited local hotel space.
4. Needs more financial information. W. Burns will provide standard IEEE budget forms which assume a 15% surplus.
8. Proposal for PESC '95 — Allesandro Gandelli/Antoine Capel — proposed cooperation by Polytechnic University of Milan, Polytechnic University of Turin, University of Padua, and University of Bologna to organize PESC '95. Possible site is Venice — remarked upon by committee as being very expensive — with Florence as a possible alternative.

Possible conflicts with EPE Conference in '95 were raised. Suggested that '94 would be a better target. The committee encourages further pursuit by this and other proposers.

- 8a. Additional proposal — Fred C. Lee — reports an inquiry from Xuan San CAI, Department of Electrical Engineering, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China concerning holding PESC in China at future date. Supposing that PESC '94 is in Italy, PESC '96 was identified as first open conference due to need to have North-American PESC in '95. The committee encourages further pursuit by this and other proposers.

7. APEC Status Reports (if requested by chairs)

- A. 1989 APEC — W. Burns — 360 in attendance and \$5,000 surplus did not reach goals of 400 in attendance and \$10,000 surplus, but conference was never-the-less very successful.
- B. 1990 APEC — R. White (not present, W. Burns reporting) — call for papers has been submitted to Power Conversion and Intelligent Motion (PCIM) and Power Technics Magazines by D. Blackburn who is publicity chair.

An APEC '90 Committee meeting was held 6/5/89. Tom Jahns and Ira Pitel of IAS were present. A general high level of support for the joint PELS/IAS sponsorship has been expressed by both organizations. Some details need to be ironed out concerning the level of involvement of each organization and how to handle submittal of APEC papers to the PELS and IAS transactions.

- C. 1991 APEC — C. Harm (not present) — no report

10. The power electronics conference (PEC) has enjoyed limited success and W. Burns has received inquiry concerning collocating PEC and APEC. Those familiar with PEC stated that it is not a good match for APEC, but the exhibit portion of PEC could prove useful to APEC. M. Schlecht is a PSMA committee member and agreed to explore possible working relationships between the two groups.
11. Status of the PESC operating guide — G. Verghese — guide is “stalled.” June '87 edition has been supplied to conference chairs. PESC '88 in Japan provided atypical data which could not be easily included. Sections on publicity and finance are missing. T. Lipo stated that current guide was used somewhat but was not as much help as it could have been. Was suggested that P. Krein write appendix or section to discuss mailing list. G. Verghese committed to getting data from PESC '89 chairs before memory fades.

12. Plans for APEC operating guide — J. Ellis (not present) — no report
13. Discussion of Charter Statements for PESC and APEC — W. Burns — Proposed charter statements (see attachment #5) were presented. The PESC statement engendered extensive debate and was greatly modified, and the APEC statement was accepted almost without revision (see attachment #6).
14. Next Meeting — at Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel, a potential APEC site in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Tentatively scheduled for Friday, October 27 at 7:00 p.m. Further details to follow.

Meeting adjourned 9:53 p.m.