

IEEE Technical Committee on Multiple-Valued Logic

Minutes of Executive Subcommittee Meeting

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Portland State University

Portland, Oregon

Chair: R. Hähnle

Present: G. Dueck, T. Hanyu, Y. Hata, H. Machida, M. Miller, C. Moraga, J. Muzio,
M. Perkowski, D. Simovici, S. Yanushkevich

The meeting began at 12:30 P.M.

1. The agenda was approved as distributed.
2. Minutes from last year's meeting need to be located. It is expected G. Gulak has a copy. The Chair asked if anyone has a copy of the MVL-TC bylaws. J. Muzio agreed to check his files.
3. Y. Hata advised that the MVL-TC web site has been updated and is now located at wwwj3.comp.eng.himeji-tech.ac.jp/mvl/. Amongst other things, the web site contains the latest issue of the MVL-TC Bulletin and information about the MVL International Journal. The Chair expressed thanks to Prof. Hata for his work on the web site.
4. G. Dueck (past TC Chair) reported he attended the IEEE Computer Society Technical Activities Board (TAB) meeting in Portland last November. He reported that there are no issues from the meeting of direct interest to the MVL-TC, but that he felt it was important for the TC to be represented. He also indicated it is important for the TAB to maintain a presence to ensure proper balance with other Computer Society activities such as publications. The Chair indicated he plans to attend the TAB meeting next Fall. He noted the Spring meeting unfortunately conflicts with this year's ISMVL. Dueck noted the TC gets a small amount of money each year which is available to support the Chair's participation in TAB meetings. That money can not be carried over from one year to the next.
5. The possibility of putting past proceedings on a CD was discussed (this has been an ongoing idea for at least two years). D. Simovici advised that Gordon Breach (the publisher of the MVL Journal) will produce the CD if the TC produces the master including doing the scanning. The complexity of such a project was discussed at length. D. Simovici agreed to follow-up on the logistics. It will also be mentioned at the Plenary Session. The idea of putting future proceedings on CD was discussed as was the IEEE on-line electronic library. The Chair agreed to look into what would be involved in making future proceedings available as on-line documents through the IEEE.

6. TC awards were discussed. Two contributed paper awards for ISMVL-99 are to be presented at the banquet this year as is a Certificate of Appreciation to G. Dueck for his work as TC Chair. The Chair asked for executive members to nominate TC members who should be recognized by a Meritorious Service Certificate. He asked that nominations be sent to him by e-mail.
7. Composition of the MVL-TC Executive was discussed. The Chair noted that the current eight members-at-large exceeds the Computer Society guideline that there be at most five. It was decided to not replace Drs. Shmerko and Gulak, thereby dropping the number to six. No other positions need to be filled at this time. It was noted that G. Dueck as past-Chair will chair the nominating committee next year.
8. There was a lengthy discussion of advertising for the TC and ISMVL in particular. Costs were considered but it was noted that ISMVL can be advertised in the calendar of events column in IEEE Spectrum and Computer Magazine. It should also be submitted for the on-line calendar of events. It was agreed that E. Dubrova, Vice-Chair Marketing, should look after this.
9. The registration cost for ISMVL was discussed. Some felt this year was expensive but it was recognized that larger conferences can keep costs down due to economies of scale e.g. the cost of the proceedings. Major concern was raised for next year when ISMVL is to be held in Poland. M. Perkowski expressed the view that this was a real opportunity to broaden the TC but the costs may be prohibitive for researchers from Eastern Europe. All agreed. J. Muzio and C. Moraga suggested it may be necessary to subsidize costs for some attendees. It was agreed that this should be considered at the Symposium Subcommittee Meeting to be held the next day.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 P.M.

Recorded by:

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