Attendees at the meeting were:

**Officers** (voting)
- Cheung, Nim
- Siller, Curtis
- Benedetto, Sergio
- Freeman, Harvey
- Lee, Byeong
- Zuckerman, Doug

**Members-at-Large** (voting)
- Atkinson, T. Scott
- Ben-Letaief, Khaled
- Chen, Tom
- Cimini, Len
- Gibson, Jerry
- Goldsmith, Andrea
- Greenstein, Larry

**Directors** (non-voting)
- Atkinson, T. Scott
- Bauer, Fred
- Gelman, Alex
- Garcia Gomez, Araceli
- Goyal, Shri (via teleconference)
- Hong, Daehyoung
- Jajszczyk, Andrzej

**IEEE Div. III Director** (voting)
- Karol, Mark

**Officers** (non-voting)
- Howell, Jack
- LoCicero, Joe
- Moyer, Stan
- Weinstein, Steve

**Invited Guests**
- Bigalke, Brian
- Keaton, John
- Pape, John
- Perra, Pierre

**Recording Secretary**
- Swaim, Carole

**Absent**
- Blake, Bob
- Boutaba, Raouf
- La Porta, Tom

1. **Opening Remarks – Nim Cheung** (Attachment 1 – Agenda, President Report, BoG Special Meeting)

Nim called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m. welcoming new BoG members, TAB Vice President Celia Desmond, and invited guests to his first formal Board of Governors meeting as President. On behalf of the BoG, Nim expressed condolences to Celia on the tragic and recent loss of her son. Celia thanked Board members for cards, comments, flowers, and donations for the scholarship fund established in Andrew’s memory.

The agenda was approved with modifications. The consent agenda was approved after removing OpCom-approved motions **06:01** (Emerging Technologies) and **06:03** (Student Travel Grant) for further consideration at this meeting. OpCom motions passed via consent agenda: **06:02** (Power Line Communications), **06:04** (Content Management Tool) and **06:05** (online magazine for engineering practitioner).

The following minutes were approved: OpCom1 (Barcelona); BoG Special E-Meeting (SM200601). Note: BoG SM200601 was held in January to approve appointments of 2006-7 officers (minutes attached).

2. **Officer Reports and Issues**

   A. **IEEE, TAB, Division III— Mark Karol/Curtis Siller** (Attachment 2)
Three ComSoc-sponsored new initiatives received preliminary approval by IEEE: webinars, online magazine, and certification. (Final approval by IEEE is expected at IEEE meetings in June or November.)

IEEE Reports  – Curtis Siller
TAB rejected a proposal that IEEE return a proportional amount to the Societies for “exceptional contributions” from their reserves during 2000-01. (action 06:01, closed) IEEE had assessed ComSoc $5.4 million to help offset IEEE’s financial problems.

As a member of TAB/RAB’s Section/Chapter Support committee, Curtis is working with Pierre Perra on a project to assess ComSoc’s “best” and “worst” chapters

B. Membership Development -Byeong Gi Lee – (Attachment 3)
Byeong outlined ComSoc’s membership decrease from 62,000 (2001) to 35,000 (2006), attributing the slide (in part) to decreasing ComSoc funding for member programs during those years ($611k to $185k).

Membership Development will work with Councils/Boards to expand our “technical footprint” to new areas (TAC), bundle membership and conference fees (MSC), reach industry’s top management (Marketing), and develop new member programs (MPD).

Asia/Pacific – Daehyoung Hong
Daehyoung summarized actions and budget needs for each area within the A/P Board. Four DLT’s are approved; an AP RCCC is planned in conjunction with APCC2006 in Korea; funding ($1500) for the Young Researcher Award (in 2007) is requested.

EAME – Andrzej Jajszczyk
EAME hosted a Regional Chapter Chairs Congress in Istanbul with 20 chapters represented; feedback has been positive. Four DLT’s are approved or proposed thus far.

Latin America – Araceli Garcia Gomez
LA has 21 chapters (with 3 in the formation stages) and 14 student branches. Ongoing problems of publications not being delivered and Student Travel Grant Program being virtually unknown in LA was brought to the Board’s attention. (William Bonaparte of Puerto Rico was appointed STG Coordinator to help resolved the STG issue.)

North America – T. Scott Atkinson
An RCCC was approved to be held in San Francisco for $25k. Additional funding ($25k) must be allocated to host this properly. Two DLT’s are approved with two in planning stages.

Marketing – Bob Shapiro/John Pape
Bob Shapiro presented the Marketing update. Membership is down 3.4% from last year, but there are positive signs for ComSoc: renewal rate is up from last year, Xplore usage is up 3%, industry employment is stabilizing, and online tutorial sales are growing.

Exhibit booth sales are progressing for EXPO at IEEE GLOBECOM and the development of a society patron value proposition is underway.

He discussed grass roots programs –strong chapters and student travel grants--to support ComSoc-wide marketing and membership initiatives.

Membership Programs Development – Shri Goyal via teleconference (Attachment 3)
Shri presented his goals and “key thrusts” for MPD, specially expanding the Student Travel Grant Program into a Student Membership Development Program (possibly coordinating with Sister Societies) with broader selection criteria—geared towards member development.

Harvey moved “that the BoG approve moving the ComSoc-funded student travel grant program under Membership Services from Membership Development.” (motion 06:06) Approved; 10 in favor; 5 opposed. The software program (EDAS) has been automated to support the program and ready for trial during SECON in September. Steve “moved” approving two Student Travel Grant programs—one under Membership Services to benefit conferences and one under Membership Development to encourage membership growth. This motion was ruled “out of order”; Steve looks forward to implementing a new program under Membership Development in the future.

Byeong moved “that the current ComSoc Student Travel Grant (or equivalent) program be enhanced with a provision for student travel support for student members of ComSoc’s Sister Societies” Not approved; 5 in favor; 9 against (motion fails).

Byeong moved “that the Membership Development Council redefine an expanded Student Membership Development Program to focus solely on meeting membership development goals to be implemented starting January 2007 with specific criteria to be approved by the MDC….” Motion was withdrawn. (See attached presentation).

Byeong moved “that the BoG approve $25k additional funding in the 2006 budget for a North American RCCC during IEEE GLOBECOM 2006.” (motion 06:07) Approved; 12 in favor; 3 opposed. (action 06:05, closed)

Byeong moved “that the BoG approve a ComSoc membership card and $40k annually for its implementation starting with 2007 renewals.” No one seconded; motion died.

C. Communications Certification – Pierre Perra/John Keaton (Attachment 4)

The 2006 IEEE New Initiatives committee has reviewed and recommended to the IEEE BoD that this proposal be funded. Approval for funding goes to IEEE BoD in June.

Doug moved “that ComSoc BoG strongly support the recommendation from the Communications Certification Committee to develop and launch a Communications Expertise Certification program.” (motion 06:08) Approved; 11 in favor; none opposed.

D. Executive Session – Celia Desmond

E. Technical Activities – Sergio Benedetto, Alex Gelman (Attachment 5 )

Awards: A reasonable number of papers were submitted as well as candidates for service awards. The process of proposing candidates for both types of awards needs to improve and be made more systematic through involvement of technical committees and chapters.

Distinguished Lecturer Selection: Two new lecturers have been selected -- Andrea Goldsmith and Koichi Asatani.

Emerging Technologies: Addressing OpCom-approved motion (06:01) on Bylaws Article 7.5, Sergio moved “that Emerging Technologies Committee membership be changed as follows: ‘the committee will have eight members; six will be appointed for three years with one-third appointed each year, and the remaining two will be the current
Editors-in-Chief of JSAC and IEEE Communications Magazine.”” (motion 06:01) Approved; 12 in favor; none opposed.

Emerging Technology Subcommittees are: Applications of Nanotechnology in Communications, Autonomic Communications, Cognitive Networks, Consumer Networking, Integrated Fiber & Wireless Technologies. Under consideration are: Peer-to-Peer, Situation Management, Telematics.

Technical Committees are now grouped into four “clusters”: Communication Software & Services, Communications/Signal Processing, Networking, and Vertical Issues in Communication Systems.

Technical Committee Recertification Committee: This year all technical committees undergo the recertification process. The committee finalized the questionnaire and timeframe (concluding year end).

Standards – Alex Gelman
ComSoc’s Standards Board sponsors/monitors existing projects (Spectrum Management, Broadband over Power Lines, and Telephony); identifies new opportunities in standards; harmonizes standards with relevant M&C’s/publications; and integrates activities with technical committees. A business model must be established for the Standards Board.

Nim Cheung will meet with IEEE SA and Computer Society in June regarding involvement in IEEE 802 Communications Standards. (action 06:02, continuing)

F. Society Relations— Doug Zuckerman (Attachment 6)

Doug reported on Society Relations activities. He and Byeong are working to evolve the Society Relations Council and Membership Development Council towards the new “Member Relations” structure that will become effective in 2008.

IEEE/ComSoc Coordination Committee is getting ComSoc volunteers appointed to IEEE positions and taking on more roles and responsibilities.

Sister Societies – Roberto Saracco

A Summit was held in conjunction with ICC ’06 with 7 Sister Societies represented along with our Sister Societies Board and BoG officers. To date, interactions have been largely among the ComSoc/Sister Society leadership.

Roberto has proposed supplementing this by creating an environment—Piazza—where one-on-one relation building among individual members is possible. Each Sister Society will investigate how to get members to subscribe to the tool. He will seek approval for the first release of this initiative at OpCom2 in September. (action 06:07, continuing)

Other action items include creating a spot on ComSoc’s Web site for a calendar of events for Sister Societies/ComSoc, establishing an internship program supporting students and companies, and obtaining access to mailing lists. (action 06:8, continuing)

G. Nominations & Elections Committee - Celia Desmond —(Attachment 7)

Candidates for the 2006 IEEE Division Director-Elect are Roberto Saracco, Curtis Siller, and Bill Tranter.

The petition process for the 2006 election followed IEEE Bylaw requirements (2% of first 30,000 voting members, plus 1% of voting members above 30,000). Petition candidate, Doug Zuckerman, met requirements and is on the ballot for President-Elect.
Since our petition Bylaw, 7.9.2 (approved last year) conflicted with IEEE policy, Celia moved “the BoG approve that petition signatures will be accepted in written form, with original signatures submitted on a ComSoc petition form, or via the IEEE ComSoc petition web site.”  (motion :06:09) Approved; 14 in favor; none opposed.  (action 06:09, closed)

ComSoc petition form will follow standard IEEE format (see form attached). ComSoc will also continue the electronic petitioning option via IEEE’s on-line site or the petition button at ComSoc’s web site. After the election, each candidate is entitled to know the number of votes he/she received and number of votes cast for the position. The BoG requested that candidates also be given the number of votes cast for the winner. (NEC will discuss this and report their decision to the BoG.)

NEC is selecting candidates for the following Vice President positions in 2008: Technical Activities, Publications, Conferences, and Member Relations. Three are new positions affecting the bylaws; thus, Larry Greenstein requested feedback on Bylaws 3.2 and 3.5 by August 15. A draft will be presented at OpCom2. (action 06:06, continuing)

Policies & Procedures must also be revised reflecting new VP responsibilities.

H. Staff & Facilities – Jack Howell  (Attachment 8)

Publications Department has reorganized to accommodate the additional journal workload: T-Wireless and the JSAC Part II Supplement. To reduce the backlog of ToWC, the department will produce 350-page issues of ToWC for the remainder of 2006 using the new workflow.

Staff Time Reporting: Jack will purchase software and continue the “accounting for staff time” trial to support M&C and report to BoG2.

Content Management Tool: OpCom-approved motion 06:04 “to purchase Eprise at $91k…” has now been approved by IEEE and should dramatically improve conference technical-program website maintenance.

Online Magazine for Engineering Practitioner: OpCom-approved motion 06:05 endorsing “an online magazine for the engineering practitioner” was approved by IEEE for full plan development (in combination with a corresponding IEEE initiative). RFID experts (Radio Frequency Identifier) will be nominated to serve on the steering committee and an editorial board reporting to the steering committee will be organized.


Volunteer Travel: To insure that last minute changes, etc., are relayed directly to the traveler, Staff & Facilities has requested volunteers to make their own travel reservations and other arrangements, rather than going through staff.

Staff Travel: Staff & Facilities has requested that a member of the IT staff attend ICC and GLOBECOM as appropriate in order to participate in the administrative meetings.

I. Membership Services – Harvey Freeman  (Attachment 9)

Meetings & Conferences Board – Fred Bauer
The co-sponsorship approval process is restructured; sponsorship requests are now reviewed by the four TC Cluster Chairs representing technical committees on the M&C Board. New conference approvals are limited to those showing the greatest interest and excellent regional coverage and topics. Smaller conferences will be transformed into workshops at major conferences.

Conference P&Ps are being standardized. These “best practices policies & procedures” will be published and posted on the Web.

To assist in counteracting plagiarism and double submissions, ComSoc has a one-year contract with Docoloc (a software company) to automate and facilitate that effort.

To address the issue of direct cost recovery for services performed by ComSoc’s M&C staff, Harvey proposed requiring higher conference surpluses—increasing 20% to 25%. This can be accomplished by: the registrant paying a higher fee and/or the conference reducing expenses.

**Magazines/Journals** – Des Taylor

A “Design & Implementation Series” will be added to *IEEE Communications Magazine* beginning in August.

ComSoc gets several proposals for electronic versions of journals; ComSoc policy/process of “incubating” potential publications helps “determine” which one could become viable publications.

**Education Board** – Hussein Mouftah

Establishing a viable education program has been a slow process from the beginning.

ComSoc’s *Tutorials Now* has a strong wealth of knowledge, but slow sales; IEEE’s *Expert Now* is an IEEE project with challenges to be overcome.

Potentially, ComSoc has a role to play in accreditation. Programs (like Communications Engineering, Information Technology & Engineering, etc.) must be defined.

Under Pierre Perra’s Communications Certification Committee, ComSoc is developing a model program on certification to other IEEE OUs (Organizational Units).

**Online Content Board** – Kazem Sohraby

ComSoc has begun taping/videoing conference speakers and providing cameras and equipment for recordings. We need to advertise this service to conferences, get consent from speakers, obtain an editing facility, etc.

Roberto Saracco requests that distinguished lecturers be asked to record lectures.

**Meetings & Conference Board Motions:**

Harvey moved:

“that BoG motion (05:03) concerning direct cost recovery of Meetings & Conferences staff time and other expenses incurred in support of a given conference, if requested by the conference general chair, shall be budgeted as conference expense in our events and included in the determination of the surplus margin requirements be replaced as follows:

‘that the BoG resolve that M&C staff time and other expenses for minimum essential services (as determined by the ComSoc M&C Board) incurred in support ofComSoc conferences shall be recovered in part or in full by adjusting
the surplus margin requirements of these conferences. These surplus requirements will be adjusted each year based on such factors as previous conferences surpluses, previous conferences expenses, and M&C reported staff time and expenses.”

(motion 06:10) Approved; 12 in favor; 2 opposed.

Harvey proposed that a ComSoc M&C Timekeeping Policy be established to gain greater visibility of staff time. This will allow ComSoc to implement total time accounting ensuring that staff accurately and fairly represents all hours worked—not only on member-related activities but also marketing, administrative time, strategic programs, and working with other IEEE Societies. Staff would report all hours worked on a daily basis, use charge numbers associated with particular services, and certify accuracy of time by submitting bi-monthly time reports. A trial of this policy will be evaluated by M&C Board at GLOBECOM 2006.

J. China Communications Magazine Proposal – Nim Cheung (Reference Attachment 1, Nim Cheung)

China Institute on Communications (CIC) publishes China Communications, the only English language magazine covering the communications industry in China. CIC offered ComSoc 50-50% financial co-sponsorship. The consensus of OpCom was that Nim should continue discussions.

Nim established an ad hoc committee, chaired by Andrzej Jajszczyk, to work with CIC and study the feasibility of ComSoc being a financial sponsor. Members of the committee include Tom La Porta, Tom Chen and G.S. Kuo. (action 06:10, continued)

ComSoc will also continue to explore with Chinese Institute of Engineers (CIE) to jointly co-sponsor a journal on communications. Nim established an ad hoc committee, chaired by Khaled Ben Letaief to work with CIE to study the feasibility. Members of the committee include Bo Li, Steve Weinstein and Des Taylor. (action 06:12, new)

K. Strategic Planning Committee – Curtis Siller (Attachment 10)

Committee identifies and follows up on tactical and long-term strategic elements, existing initiatives, identifies/supports new initiatives, etc. Short range goal is financial stability; long range is industry involvement and increased membership.

Len Cimini, Steve Gorshe, and Curtis will study ComSoc applications-oriented publications and report to OpCom2.

L. CIO – Information Technology – Steve Weinstein (Attachment 11)

Steve is requesting a capital budget of $119k for IT to maintain a high level of electronic services and support the new initiatives.

A committee consisting of Daehyoung, Kazem, Doug, and Steve working with David Alvarez (staff) is working to implement improvements on the “My ComSoc” interface.

Steve and ComSoc staff are evaluating Network World’s offer to include their “industry news feed” on ComSoc’s Web site. This could be a valuable service to members, helping our site become “the destination of choice” for accessing a wide range of communications information.
IEEE New Initiatives Committee gave preliminary acceptance to Steve and John Pape’s “corporate-sponsored webinars” for funding ($300k over three years).

Steve and Ting Wang (NEC Labs) are working on an experimental prototype for a Chinese-language/ComSoc Web site (using volunteer labor to translate conference listings, publications tables of content, etc.).

M. **Finance – Stan Moyer (Attachment 12)**

Stan presented ComSoc’s financial report for ComSoc including last year's financial performance, ComSoc's forecasted bottom line for 2006, and the 2007 budget. He reminded the BoG that the finance meeting is where details of the budget are discussed.

Regarding 2005's performance, there is currently an operating surplus of $471k; the total surplus (added to reserves) is $1,140k. The books are still open and TAB FinCom reports that it is likely ComSoc will receive additional surplus (for 2005) due to IEEE infrastructure adjustments.

Revenue and expense projections have caused the 2006 forecast to worsen to a nearly $400k deficit. Measures have been taken to get ComSoc back on track. Hopefully, ComSoc EXPO and additional proceeds from the IEEE IEL/ASPP packages will get ComSoc to break-even for 2006. (Stan and Bruce will monitor this over the next few months.)

In regards to the 2007 budget, the portfolio of prices (see attachment) was presented and approved by the BoG. Most notably, dues will increase in 2007 from $40US to $42US. Stan presented the significant assumptions which are contributing to the current budgeted surplus of $75k. The budget, including all the assumptions will be voted on later this year. The budgetary changes that occurred at the BoG1 meeting were:

- Addition of the $1,500 Young Researcher Award
- Replace a portion of the M&C direct cost recovery with a 5% increase in the conference’s surplus requirement.

Curtis moved “that the BoG approve adjusting subscription prices for ComSoc publications as reflected in this meeting.” (**motion 06:11**) Approved; 14 in favor; none opposed.

Stan moved “that the BoG approve increasing dues to $42 for 2007.” (**motion 06:12**) Approved; 12 in favor; 1 opposed

3. **Closing Remarks – Nim Cheung, Curtis Siller**

Curtis requested action item updates from members. Nim made closing comments, indicating that we will “experiment” with returning to a 1-day BoG meeting in San Francisco. He thanked members and guests for their participation. Meeting adjourned 2:15 p.m.

4. **Future Meetings – Curtis Siller**

OpCom – Sunday (evening) 17 September, Monday (a.m.- p.m.) 18 September, and Tuesday (a.m.) 19 September, New York City, NY, USA.

BoG2 - Thursday (all day) 30 November, San Francisco, CA, USA.

Management Retreat – January 2007, date and location TBD.
Respectfully submitted,

Carole Swaim

ATTACHMENTS

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MOTIONS PASSED VIA CONSENT AGENDA

Power Line Communications Technical Committee
06:02  “that the BoG approve changing the name, Broadband Over Power Lines Technical Committee, to Power Line Communications Technical Committee.”

Content Management Tool
06: 04  “that OpCom approve purchasing Eprise at $91k (with the server and software capitalized over three years) and $7.8k per year maintenance.”

Online Magazine for Engineering Practitioner
06: 05  “that OpCom endorse the online magazine for the engineering practitioner as a 2006 out-of-cycle initiative to begin June 2006 (rather than January 2007).”

MOTIONS PASSED VIA THIS MEETING

Emerging Technologies Committee
06:01  “that Emerging Technologies Committee membership be changed as follows: ‘The Committee will have eight members; six will be appointed for three years with one-third appointed each year, and the remaining two will be the current Editors in Chief of JSAC and IEEE Communications Magazine.’”

Student Travel Grant Program (changed)
06:03  “that the Student Travel Grant Program be moved under Membership Services from Membership Development.”

Student Travel Grant Program (revised)
06:06 “that the BoG approve moving the ComSoc-funded student travel grant program under Membership Services Council from Membership Development.”

NA RCCC
06:07 “that the BoG approve $25k additional funding in the 2006 budget for a North American RCCC during IEEE GLOBECOM 2006.”

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Petitions
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Direct Cost Recovery M&C
06:10 “that BoG motion (05:03) concerning direct cost recovery of Meetings & Conferences staff time and other expenses incurred in support of a given conference, if requested by the conference general chair, shall be budgeted as conference expense in our events and included in the determination of the surplus margin requirements be replaced as follows:

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Subscription Prices
06:11 “that the BoG approve adjusting subscription prices for ComSoc publications as reflected in this meeting.”

Dues
06:12 “that the BoG approve increasing dues to $42 for 2007.”

ACTION ITEMS

06:12 new; Nim established an ad hoc committee, chaired by Khaled Ben Letaief to work with CIE to study the feasibility. Members of the committee include Bo Li, Steve Weinstein and Des Taylor.

06:02 continuing: Nim and Alex will launch discussions with IEEE-SA and the Computer Society on ComSoc’s involvement in IEEE 802 Communications Standards, seeking to make ComSoc the “appropriate sponsor”.
06:03 continued: Curtis will contact Moshe Kam for an update on IEEE’s Memo of Understanding for corporate (industry) partners and prepare a draft “prospectus” for use in attracting possible IEEE ComSoc patrons in time for BoG1.

06:04 continued: Bob will reach out to chapters and local companies to promote ComSoc advertising and develop a “corporate leadership award”.

06:06 continuing: Larry Greenstein (Bylaws Committee) will present to OpCom2 a bylaws draft of Article 3 revising the Society’s organization restructure, with a final draft for approval at BoG2

06:07 continuing: Roberto will seek approval for the first release of his Piazza at OpCom2 in September. He will prepare a “frapper like interface” proposal/business plan.

06:10 continuing: Nim established an ad hoc committee, chaired by Andrzej Jajszczyk, to work with CIC. Nim will get back to CIC with a counter offer as appropriate on a joint sponsorship effort for China Communications magazine.

06:11 continuing: Nim will respond to the Nanotechnology Council on the magazine proposal in June.

**ACTION ITEMS CLOSED**

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06:01 closed: Curtis will work with Jack on a proposal requesting that IEEE return a proportional amount of the assessments ($5.4M for ComSoc) to the societies.

06:05 closed: Shri will bring a proposal supporting a budget increase for Membership Programs with backup to BoG1. (action 06:05, new)

06:08 closed: Byeong, Bob, and John to identify all or a subset of Roberto’s Sister-Society “perks” for follow-up and come to BoG1 with a plan to execute these ideas.

06:09 closed: Joe will bring the revised motion to the BoG1: “7.9.2 petition signatures will be accepted in written form, with original signatures submitted on a ComSoc petition form, or via the IEEE ComSoc petition Web site.”