MOTIONS PASSED 1990 - 1999

OpCom1 October 1990--Motions

1. Policies and Procedures:
   McDonald motioned to accept Slayton's proposal with the deletion of the word “full”; motion was seconded
   and passed.

2. IEEE LCS Title:
   McDonald motioned that we state that we are willing to change the name of the magazine and that we leave
   the details of the name change to the legal people and Weinstein; Desmond seconded; motion passed.

3. ADVOS:
   Green motioned that OpCom approve the ADVOS report with the deletion of the last sentence in item #5;
   Milstein seconded; motion passed.

4. Desktop/Office Space/Staff Expansion:
   Green motioned that we proceed with desktop publishing in the existing floor space with a $20,000 initial
   capital outlay of equipment, plus one additional staff person, the use of a freelancer and service bureau;
   Glenner seconded; motion passed.

5. Report on SUPERCOM '90:
   McDonald motioned that OpCom look favorably upon an ICC conference in New Orleans and that this be
   taken up at the Board meeting; Glenner seconded; motion passed.

6. Mini-Conference:
   Green motioned that the mini-conference issue go through TAC and GICB; McDonald seconded; no vote
   was taken.

7. New Ventures/New Opportunities:
   Green motioned that Lof be directed to bring to the BOG a proposal to do stockpiling; McDonald
   seconded; no vote was taken.

BOG1 December 1990--Motions

1. Scholarship
   "Whereas the Communications Society considers as a high priority to wholeheartedly support the education
   of communication-oriented students, it is heretofore resolved that a modified Communications Society
   Scholarship Program be approved at the level of $16,000 per year for the next three years."

2. IEEE USA
   "The Communications Society Board of Governors requests that TAB appoint a subcommittee, to which
   the Communications Society will contribute constructively, to examine the unbundling of USAB dues and
   review the assessments for all regions."

3. Publications
   "The Board approve the report of the Director of Publications, authorize presentation of the topical book
   proposal to the IEEE Publications Board, and increase the Publication Department's 1991 expenses by $111,000
   for additional expense of overrun pages in the Transactions and JSAC, discretionary funds for Publications
   Editor-in-chief, and maintenance and consulting expenses for the Society's computer systems."

4. Student Activities
   "That:
   1. The Board of Governors have a member of student grade;
   2. The student grade member be a voting member of the Board;
   3. The student grade member be elected from at least two candidates nominated by Nominations Committee,
      based upon selections from Student Chapters;
   4. Student grade members be elected for a tenure of one year. (Otherwise seniors could not be elected;)
   5. The Board of Governors allocate the appropriate funds for the student member to attend Board meetings;
   6. The constitution be amended to allow a voting student member;
   7. The student member be on the Board on or before 1993."

5. Chapters
   "A funding of $5,000 be allocated for development production and distribution of operation manuals for
   Communication Society Chapters and for contingencies connected with new chapters. Reliance on input from
successful existing chapters should keep these costs down. Emergence of new chapters and struggling chapters would benefit from these manuals.”

6. Mini Conferences

“That the Board of Governors of the Communications Society authorize any technical committee to co-sponsor, together with suitable cooperating societies, mini-conferences to be co-located with various Globecom’s and ICC’s.”

7. Mini Conference/GICB

“Considering the resolution that the Board just passed, I move that GICB have the responsibility of resolving conflict that may result from a number of mini-conferences held in parallel with Globecom and ICC.”

8. Fiscal Control and Audits

“Herewith, the Executive Director is directed to maintain fiscal control and audits for all publications, conferences and other Communications Society projects where the Society may be at financial risk. This is to include but not be limited to: overseeing publication page budgets and signatory requirement for all contracts with financial obligation for the Communications Society.”

9. IEEE Division for Communications Society

“It is the sense of the Communications Society Board of Governors that the Communications Society should have its own Division.”

10. Policies and Procedures

“That the Board of Governors give our approval of the new Section I of IEEE Communications Society’s Policy and Procedures Manual entitled "Introduction" dated October 8, 1990.”

11. Resignation

“That the Board of Governors send our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Ed.”

12. Recertification

“That the Board recertify the Optical Communications, Satellite and Space Communication, and Signal Processing and Communication Electronics committees.”

OpCom2 March 1991--Motions

Constitutional Change:

Green motioned that the Board of Governors be asked to decide by phone ballot pro or con that one slot on the Communications Society Board of Governors be occupied by a student as described in a February 27, 1991, letter from Ran Slayton with altered constitution being moved to Section II of Article IX of the bylaws; Glenner seconded.

OpCom2 April 1991--Motions

Green motioned "that the OpCom make the decision that Lof be directed to go ahead with the move to the 11th floor.” Skillen seconded and it was unanimously approved.

BOG1 June 1991--Motions

1. Consent Agenda

“That the consent agenda reports be accepted as presented.”

2. Executive Session

“That the voting members of the Board go into Executive Session for ten minutes.”

3. Staff Expansion

“That the Board approve the amended motion that three of the four positions indicated on the organization chart be approved: Marketing Assistant, Secretary/Administrator, and a Database Administrator.”

4. Student Activities

“That the Board of Governors allocate a maximum of $3,000 per year to fund travel for the student member elected to the Board of Governors.”

5. Dues and Fees

“That we accept the content of Lof’s report on Dues and Fees.”

6. INTELEC

“That the Communications Society approve the change in sponsorship of INTELEC to the Power Electronics Society and appoint a Communications Society representative to the INTELEC Advisory Committee.”
7. TAC Recertification
"That the Board of Governors approve the TCB action recertifying the Multimedia Services & Terminals technical committee and the Committee on Network Operations & Management.

8. Personal Communications Workshop
"That the Board of Governors approve a grant of $5,000 to support an International Workshop on Personal Communications in Hungary."

9. Ex Officio Members of the Board of Governors
"That the bylaws be changed to allow any member of the Board of Governors to introduce motions."

OpCom2 September 1991--Motions

1. TAB Overhead Supervision
"To remove the Communications Society from TAB overhead supervision as of January 1, 1992, and to assign supervisory functions currently performed by the TAB staff directly to the Communications Society staff."

2. Staff Expansion
"That the addition to the Communications Society staff of the Director of Programs and Administration be approved."

3. Standards Activities Board
"That the Standards Activities Board and the position of Director of Standards be eliminated; that the most recent past president of the Society have, among his/her other duties, the responsibility for executive liaison with the IEEE Standards Board and other organizations related to standards issues and the authority to delegate this liaison responsibility as appropriate; further, that each technical committee appoint a Standards Representative, who will be responsible for identifying standards issues of interest to their members and will support, through their ICC/GLOBECOM representative, the organization of relevant sessions."

4. New Publication
"That OpCom approve the plan for starting a new Communications Society IEEE Transactions on Networking and that it further approve the business plan proposed by the Director of Publications and authorize him to proceed with other societies and the IEEE Publications Board on implementation."

5. Distinguished Lecturer Series
"That OpCom approve an amount not to exceed $12,000 for support of the 1992 Distinguished Lecturer Series."

6. Operating Plan for Chapters
"That of the $18,000 requested for 1992 chapter activities, $9,000 be approved to carry the process through the first half of 1992 and that suitable accountability procedures and mid-year reporting be put in place."

BOG2 December 1991--Motions

1. Abbreviated Constitution
"That the new Constitution, in the form accompanying the letter from R. Slayton, dated November 5, 1991, be approved."

2. Publication's Page Counts
"That all publications be allocated the same page counts in 1992 as in 1991: IEEE Transactions on Communications--1900; JSAC--1700; IEEE Communications Magazine--1000; IEEE Network Magazine--400; IEEE LTS Magazine--400."

3. Publications Marketing Effort
"That $12,000 be allocated for a marketing effort in 1992 for IEEE LTS Magazine."

4. Travel Grant
"International Activities Council (IAC) requests the Board of Governors to assign an amount not exceeding $10,000 to allow a minimum of six persons per year to be assisted in traveling for presenting papers at Communications Society conferences. Allocation of the money will be made by the Vice President of International Affairs based on indications of the chairmen of the regional committees (IAC, APC, and EAMEC) of the urgency and amount needed."

5. Tutorials Program
"That the Board of Governors authorize an amount not to exceed $10,000 to the Tutorials Committee of the Communications Society Education Board for the purpose of supporting the development of a tutorials program including live and video presentations."

6. **TAC Recertification**
"That the Communication Systems Engineering Technical Committee be recertified."

7. **Division III Director**
"That the Division III Director be designated a voting member of the Communications Society Board of Governors."

**OpCom1 March 1992--Motions**

1. **Electronic Information Dissemination**
"That $12,000 be appropriated for an experiment in electronic dissemination beginning this year, with the IEEE Computer Society putting up an equal amount. A full business plan will be presented at GLOBECOM '92 to decide on future course."

2. **IEEE LTS**
"That Weinstein be actioned to come back to the Board of Governors with a plan which will make IEEE LTS break even (or better) within a period of approximately two years from the date of the this OpCom meeting."

**BOG1 June 1992--Motions**

92:3. **Board of Governors Minutes**
"that the December 5, 1991, minutes be accepted with an amendment that there be no additional staff added until 1995."

92:4. **OpCom Minutes**
"that the minutes from the March 2, 1992, OpCom be approved."

92:5. **Consent Agenda**
"that the consent agenda items be approved with the exception of reports from Member Affairs, Chapters, and Publications."

92:6. **Integrated Operating Plan**
"that the Society adopt and implement an integrated operating planning and budget process, based on format and timeframe illustrated in Executive Director's report."

92:7. **Integrated Operating Plan/Budget**
"that the Executive Director proceed with tactics designed to achieve a fully integrated operating plan/budget by 1994 cycle."

92:8. **New Venture Fund**
"that the 1993 budget contain a line item (budget account) for new venture/research & development fund."

92:9. **Publications Expenses**
"that $41,500 in 1992 and $67,500 in 1993 be allocated for the Publications Department administrative, publicity, and experimental expenses."

92:10. **1993 Publication Prices**
"that 1993 publications prices be set as proposed in the Report of the Director of Publications."

92:11. **Paper Awards Structure**
"adoption of a proposal for a new paper awards structure tied to particular publications, taking out the reference to 'not awarding a prize if no adequate candidate is proposed' and that the cash award is up to $500 per author, with a maximum of $1,000 per winning paper."

92:12. **IEEE LTS Discontinued**
"that IEEE LTS be discontinued as expeditiously as possible."

92:13. **Internationalizing GLOBECOM and ICC**
"that every third ICC and GLOBECOM be held outside North America starting with GLOBECOM in 1995 and ICC in 1997."

92:14. **Travel money for Students**
"that $20,000 be budgeted for contributions to travel for students attending Communications Society conferences on the basis of $800 per student. The awards shall be at the discretion of the Vice President, International Affairs."
OpCom2 October 1992—Motions - None

BOG2 December 1992--Motions

92:15. Agenda and Consent Agenda
"that the Board accept the agenda and the consent agenda, moving Attachment 4 to Action Items."

92:16. Travel Grants
"that travel grants for 1993 be set at the same levels as 1992: $20,000 for students, $10,000 for non students."

92:17 Tutorial Video Tapes
"that the Board allocate $10,000 in 1993 for start-up expenses to establish a new product line of tutorial video tapes with the proviso that OpCom approve a business plan to be submitted in March. Expectation is that this new product line will return revenues of more than cost in 1993, and thus produce a net profit."

92:18. Personal Communication Services
"that the Board "approve the formation of a technical committee on Personal Communication Services."

"that the Board approve the formation of a technical committee on Data Networking Software and Protocols."

92:20. Technical Affairs Budget
"that the Technical Affairs Council be given an annual budget to be administered by the Vice President, Technical Affairs. Some or all of the budgeted amount is to be allocated to individual technical committees based upon budget request submissions to the Vice President, Technical Affairs. The total amount budgeted the first year should be $20,000, which is equivalent to $1,000 per committee."

92:21. Technical Committee Facilitator
"that all newly created technical committees be assigned a facilitator, who is a member of the Board of Governors, whose function would be to maximize the likelihood of the committee's success until such time as the committee is fully established, usually a period of one year."

92:22. Minimum Conference Fees
"that the Board approve establishing the following minimum conference fees for advance registration and conference proceedings no later than 1995:
  Member--$300 per three-day conference
  Non-member--$400 per three-day conference
  Tutorials--$200 per full day."

92:23. Tutorials and Workshops at Trade Shows
"that the Board approve pursuing opportunities for Communications Society tutorials and workshops at trade shows."

92:24. Publications Expense
"that the Board approve an additional $7,500 publications expense for 1993."

92:25. IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking
"that Nicholas Maxemchuk, Jon Mark, and S. Weinstein be ratified as Communications Society members on the Intersociety Steering Committee of the IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking."

92:26. Chapters Activities Budget
"that the Board approve an incremental budget of $7,000 for Chapters Activities for 1993."

92:27. Nominations and Elections
"that the scope of the Nominations and Elections Board be expanded to include the nomination of candidates for IEEE Director, Division III, Communications Technology."

92:28. IEEE Communications Society Cash Reserves
"that the Board approve increasing the percent of cash reserves invested in long-term investments from 10% to 25%."

92:29. Tabled Motions Approved
"that the Board of Governors approve an unbudgeted 1993 request for $64,500 subject to a) a maximum expenditure of $16,000 during the first quarter of 1993, and b) OpCom approval of any further expenditures at its March meeting based on increased revenues."

92:30. OFC/IEEE Communications Society Participation Agreement
that the Board approve the suggested modifications of the Optical Fiber Communication (OFC)/IEEE Communications Society Participation Agreement.

92:31. Vote of Appreciation
"that Judy Raposa Keller be given a vote of appreciation and thanks from the Board for her many years of service with the IEEE Communications Society."

92:32. Staff Appreciation
"that the Board authorize the disbursement of up to $1,000 in appreciation to the staff; the president will determine how this is to be disbursed; the Society will ‘gross’ it up and pay the tax."

OpCom1 March 1993--Motions

93:1 "That only the Communications Society President can grant travel and living expenses regardless of which Communications Society budget they will be charged to."

BOG1 May 1993--Motions

93:2. Board of Governors Minutes
"that the Board of Governors minutes of December 9, 1992, be approved."

93:3. OpCom Minutes
"that the Board of Governors OpCom minutes of March 1, 1993, be approved."

93:4. Cable Television Systems Committee
"that the Board approve the formation of a technical committee on Cable Television Systems (with the attached charter.)"

93:5. New Pricing for Publication
"that the Communications Society adopt the new pricing for the publications as shown in the table for 1994."

93:6. Staff Expense
"that the Board decrease staff administration and committee expense by $44,000 from the 1994 budget."

93:7. Society Investments
"that the Board increase the Communications Society investment in the IEEE long-term investment option by $300,000 as soon as possible."

93:8. New Magazine on Personal Communications
"that the Communications Society begin publication of IEEE Personal Communications Magazine in 1994 with anticipation of a $75,000 startup expense, of which no more than $30,000 will be incurred in 1993."

93:9. Transactions Schedules
"that, if the IEEE does not meet the schedules it has given the Society, a plan be implemented to edit and produce transactions out of house."

93:10. IEEE Transactions on Communications Backlog
"that in order to eliminate the IEEE Transactions on Communications backlog, all authors be polled on the following two options: 1) authors submit a camera-ready version of their papers which will be published as IEEE Transactions on Communications in January '94. (The IEEE Transactions on Communications will be archived and indexed as normally done); 2) authors may choose to wait for the normal process which may entail a delay of 12 to 18 months before the papers are published."

93:11. Staff Appreciation
"that Lof and her staff receive a vote of confidence for the skill with which she and her staff managed to raise the revenue of advertising in IEEE Communications Magazine during a very difficult economic period."

OpCom2 October 1993 - Motions

93:12. "that the Communications Society petition the IEEE to approve mandatory page charges for our journals above seven pages of voluntary page charges, at the rate of $110 for each of the first seven pages and $220 for each additional page; further, that the Editors-in-chief of each journal be authorized to make discretionary use of 25% of the increase on page charge receipts over 1993 receipts."
93:13. "that the Communications Society allocate $10,000 in 1993 to market tutorials and applications and systems engineering type sessions held at various conferences. The metric will be to increase revenue by at least $40,000 in 1994.

BOG2 December 1993 - Motions

93:14. Board of Governors Minutes
"that the Board of Governors minutes of May 26, 1993, be approved."

93:15. OpCom Minutes
"that the Board of Governors OpCom minutes of October 4, 1993, be approved."

93:16. IEEE Personal Communications Budget
"that the Board of Governors approve a budget of $34,700 for a 1994 marketing campaign for IEEE Personal Communications." Lof amended "that the Board approve $34,700 and that a revised production budget be prepared and approved by the President and OpCom."

"that the 1994 budget as proposed to the Board of Governors be approved as presented."

93:18. Chapter of the Year Award
"that a Chapter of the Year Award be established to be awarded two times each year to the Chapters best meeting the set criteria as evaluated by the chapter award committee."

93:19. The IEEE Communications Society Bylaws
"that the Board of Governors approve the draft of the Bylaws, as provided to the Board on December 2, 1993, with two modifications: a) removal of section 9.2 dealing with the annual management retreat and all references to this retreat (and inclusion of this material in the Policy & Procedures Manual); and b) revision of section 5.3.1 as follows: '...the twelve members will be appointed every two years by the incoming Vice President, International Affairs with....'"

93:20. Overseas Office
"that $25,000 be allocated from the Vice President, International Affairs, budget to cover expenses of the IEEE Brussels office for services rendered to the Communications Society members in the EAMEC region."

OpCom1 March 1994 - Motions

94:1 "that the Board manage to the executive summary of the Board of Governors 1994 budget of $332.2K as compared to $310.5K."

BOG1 May 1994 - Motions

94:2 "that the agenda be adopted."

94:3 "that in the wording of Section 93:19 of the Board of Governors minutes for December 2, 1993, the word 'approved' be replaced by 'postponed approval of.'"

94:4 "that the Board of Governors minutes of December 2, 1993, as amended, the Board of Governors OpCom minutes of March 7, 1994, and the 1994 Operating Plans be approved."

94:5 "that the same page budget approved by the Board for 1994 be approved for 1995, including a 1900-page camera-ready print-off for IEEE Transactions on Communications; an exception is IEEE Personal Communications; it will require 120 additional pages to support an increase to six issues in 1995."

94:6 "that the Board approve the structure and responsibilities of a) the three Geographic Conference Boards, and b) the Directed Growth Meetings & Conferences Board (chaired by Ron Horn), as detailed in the attachment to the Board of Governors agenda dated March 31, 1994."

94:7 "that the Board of Governors approve the amended 1994 budget."

94:8 "that the the Board of Governors approve the proposed publication fees for 1995 as outlined in the Treasurer's Report."

94:9 "that the Board of Governors accept the IEEE Communications Society Bylaws and addendum as presented."

94:10 "that the Board of Governors approve a change in the name of the Multimedia Services and Terminals Committee to Multimedia Communications and the name of the Transmission Systems Committee to Transmission and Access Systems."
94:11 "that the Board approve recertification of the technical committee on Network Operations and Management; approve recertification of the technical committee on Multimedia Communications, contingent on an appropriately revised charter; and approve recertification of the technical committee on Communication Systems Engineering, contingent on appropriate changes of name and charter reflecting its current directions."

94:12 "that the Board of Governors approve a new Technical Committee on Enterprise Networking."

94:13 "that the Board of Governors reject the proposal of a one-time contribution of $25,000 to the History Center's endowment fund."

OpCom2 August 1994 - Motions - None

BOG2 December 1994 - Motions

94:14 "that the agenda be adopted."

94:15 "that the Board of Governors minutes of May 4, 1994, and the Board of Governors OpCom minutes of August 25, 1994, be approved."

94:16 "that the Board of Governors approve the Cooperation Agreement between the IEEE Communications Society and Associazione Elettrotecnica ed Elettronica Italiana (AEI)."

94:17 "that the name of the Communications Systems Engineering Technical Committee be changed to Communication Systems Integration and Modeling."

94:18 "that the Board approve a new Internet Technical Committee and a negotiation with the Internet Society to make it a joint technical committee of both societies."

94:19 "that the Communications Society remain a member of the IEEE Neural Networks Council no longer than up to January, 1996."

94:20 "that the Board of Governors approve ICC, GLOBECOM, INFOCOM, ICUPC and NOMS/ISINM as the set of conferences where students with accepted papers are eligible for travel grants."

94:21 "that the Board of Governors approve $25,000 for 1995 to establish the Asian-Pacific office of the IEEE Communications Society in Singapore."

94:22 "that the Board of Governors reinstate the program of Professional Travel Grants to be offered to professionals of low-income countries. The amount of the grant will be related to the travel expenses to attend the conference and, in general, should not exceed $1,000. The person receiving the grant should also receive free registration at the conference. Candidates for the grant will be identified by the Regional Committee Chairmen and final decision will rest with the Vice President, International Affairs. The following criteria will be followed to select the recipient in this order:

a) authors with accepted papers who present their papers at the conference;

b) persons having to chair a session, in particular, if they have organized it;

c) Communications Society chapter chairs having to attend meetings during the conference.

The same person should not receive more than one grant in a two-year period."

94:23 "that the Board maintain the program of Free Subscriptions, but now aiming to benefit recipients in countries other than Eastern Europe, for another two-year period. Candidates will submit a proposal stating how the periodicals will be used to benefit the communities around them. A budget of up to $5,000 a year for two years is required."

94:24 "that the student scholarship program be reinstated, that $15,000 be budgeted for 1995 and that a committee be assigned to implement the program, conditional upon an acceptable definition of a 'fair' evaluation mechanism."

94:25 "that the Board of Governors accept the 1995 budget as it stands, with the provision that it go to the Management Retreat for review and be brought to the Board of Governors in June for final approval."

94:26 "that the Board of Governors approve the procedures for business plans for initiative proposals as stated in Attachment 7d. They should be considered as minimum requirements for proposals that require previously unplanned financial resources greater than $20,000."

94:27 "that the Board of Governors approve the travel expense reimbursement policies and procedures as stated in Attachment 7e."

94:28 "that the Board of Governors approve $20,000 for six issues (bimonthly) of Global Communications Newsletter in 1995 to be broken down into:  a) $5,600 to the editor for administrative expenses and b) $14,400 for page costs (six issues, four pages each at $600 per page)."
94:29 "that the Board of Governors approve a rolling fund in the 1995 Publications Department budget of $50,000 for marketing, which will become a blueprint for an annual, on-going publications marketing program. In 1995, the program will target IEEE Network and IEEE Personal Communications and the proposed non-member publications package product; a business plan must be submitted by ICC 1996 to support this allocation for the marketing of publications."

94:30 "that the Board of Governors approve $6155 to be distributed over the next three years' budgets to participate in an IEEE program that will provide three-year subscriptions to Transactions on Communications, JSAC and the Communications Magazine and ten years of back issues (on microfiche) to twenty selected libraries in Eastern Europe."

94:31 "that the Board of Governors approve $15,000 for staff training, equipment upgrades and a T1 line, in support of the Communications Society electronic processes development in 1995; the sum to be allocated: $5,000 to publications and $10,000 to conferences."
OpCom1 Conference Call, April 1995 - Motions

95:1 “that the 1995 budget be approved as presented.”
95:2 “that the Communications Society transfer $800,000 from short-term to long-term investments.”

BOG1 June 1995 -- Motions

95:3 “the 1995 budget be approved.”
95:4 “the Board increase the IEEE Communications Magazine page budget by 100 pages in 1996, retroactive to 1995, the IEEE Transactions on Communications page budget by 100 pages in 1996, and The Global Communications Newsletter budget by 24 pages in 1996”.
95:5 “the nonmember publications rates not be raised for 1997.”
95:6 “the intent of the Board of Governors is to offer university subscribers a subsidy in 1996 equal to the difference between the 1995 and 1996 nonmember rates; the Executive Director is directed to look for a mechanism to accomplish this at an acceptable cost.”
95:7 “the Board approve the Communications Publications Package (CPP) and an $11k marketing budget.”
95:8 “that given the IEEE goal of actively increasing its global character, the GICB asks that IEEE direct and finance a study of the optimum tax solution for GLOBECOM ’96 and for all other IEEE conferences to be held in the UK.”
95:9 “the IEEE Communications Society Board of Governors believes that all organizers of IEEE activities (such as conferences, publications, etc.) should be sheltered from financial and civil liability; accordingly, the Board requests that IEEE report to the President of the IEEE Communications Society by August 31 on all questions relating to the liability of those engaged in undertaking the work of IEEE.”
95:10 “the Board approve the expenditure of $40k to establish Phase I of a central Communications Society database to be used for membership development, conference attendance and administrative purposes. This expenditure will be taken from the $200k already allocated within the budget for new initiatives.”
95:11 “the Board approve the ComSoc travel expense reimbursement policy with the amendment that all requests for travel expenses must be submitted in writing to the appropriate officer or director.”

OpCom2 September 1995 - Motions

95:12 “that the remaining dollars budgeted in 1995 for professional grants be reallocated for student grants.”
95:13 “that up to 25 registration fees for student travel grantees to attend GLOBECOM’95 be subsidized by ComSoc from the International Affairs budget; needed money should be added to the International Affairs budget. A budget overrun will be authorized.”

BOG2 November 1995 - Motions

95:14 “that the 1996 budget for the Communications Society be approved.”
95:15 “whereas the IEEE Communications Society aims to:
   a) improve responsiveness to application of new information services and support of existing products and services,
   b) simplify management to enable growing the numbers and range of its activities and reaching out globally and to other societies,
   c) plan for growth through sharing more responsibilities and cultivating new leadership,
   it will hereby utilize the Communications Society organizational structure contained in the attachment, and implement it according to a transition schedule to be completed in 1998, accommodating the expiration of existing holders of positions.”
95:16 “that the Board of Governors approve ‘IEEE Communications Surveys’ for implementation in 1996.”
95:17 “that the Board approve the launching of ‘IEEE Communications Letters’ for implementation beginning January, 1997.”

95:18 “that the Board approve the following three packages for libraries in universities and colleges:
   a) All ComSoc Journals
   b) All ComSoc Magazines
   c) All ComSoc Publications
   (See details in the attached proposal to the TAB Products Council.) Packages A and B will be offered to universities at a 10% discount and Package C at a 20% discount. Allan will coordinate securing TAB approval, so the packages can be implemented in 1997.”

OpCom1 April 1996 - Motions

96:1 “that OpCom commend the headquarters staff for its outstanding production of the 1996 Directory which provides an exemplary description of Communications Society activities and leadership.”

96:2 “that the Board approve an interim appropriation of $5,000 to support Communications Magazine Interactive.”

BOG1 June 1996 - Motions

96:3 “that it gives the Board of Governors special pleasure to welcome our Executive Director, Allan Ledbetter, to today’s meeting. We congratulate him on his rapid recovery and offer our affectionate best wishes for his further recovery and return to full-time work.”

96:4 “that the Board express its sincere gratitude to the entire staff of our Society for their exceptional dedication and extra effort in carrying out its vital activities without interruption in the difficult days following our Executive Director’s accident in March of this year. We are proud to be partners with the staff in the work of our Society.”

96:5 “that the two existing Technical committees--Optical Communications and Transmission and Access Systems--being merged into a single Technical committee entitled ‘Transmission, Access, and Optical Systems Committee’ be approved; the attached charter and scope of activities will be revised to include additional optical interest areas.”

96:6 “that the Board approve the creation of a new technical committee on Military Communications with the proviso that the name be changed to ‘Tactical Communications’ and the charter be revised in thirty days to reflect the committee’s intent to promote peaceful uses for tactical communications (e.g. natural disasters).”

96:7 “that the nomination and election of members-at-large follow the general guidelines below to improve international representation of the worldwide membership on the Board:
   a) The number of candidates nominated from each “far-apart” region should be roughly proportional to the membership in that region;
   b) The number of candidates each member can vote for should be significantly less than the number of seats available;
   c) The candidate proportions will be adjusted every two years; and the membership/candidate distribution for the 1997 elections will be as follows with each member voting for a total of two (2) candidates:

   Regions 1-6 (US, membership 58%)  6 candidates
   Region 7  (Canada, Membership 6%)    1 candidate
   Region 8  (EAME, membership 16%)   2 candidates
   Region 9  (LA, membership 4%)      1 candidate
   Region 10 (AP, membership 16%)     2 candidates

96:8 “that the Board establish an International Student Membership Award to attract young, outstanding students worldwide and to develop their interests in communications and ComSoc; the budget will be determined by the Board annually.”
96:9 “that the Board allow for special/exceptional cases to the existing rules and approve student travel grants to students wishing to attend conferences within their regions (includes all regions). A yearly increase of 25% in the student grant budget is required; certain restrictions will apply; i.e. a smaller grant--$500 as compared to $800.”

96:10 “that the Board approve the following funding for ComMag Interactive: for the remainder of 1996 $10K for hardware purchases, $7K for a T1, $56K for contracted consulting fees, and $5K for software (approved at OpCom, April 2); an additional $40K is requested for ongoing expenses in 1997.”

96:11 “that the Board approve an increase of 150 pages in 1997 for the Journal on Selected Areas in Communications (JSAC) from 1700 pages in 1996 to 1850 pages in 1997; this motion also approves a proportional increase in member and non-member subscription rates to $27 and $320, respectively.”

96:12 “that the Board approve an increase of 60 pages in 1997 for IEEE Personal Communications; from 360 pages in 1996 to 420 pages in 1997; this motion also approves a proportional increase in member and non-member subscription rates to $25 and $150, respectively.”

96:13 “that our Board of Governors approve an increase of 100 pages in 1997 for the Transactions on Networking; from 1000 pages in 1996 to 1100 pages in 1997; this motion also approves increases in member and non-member subscription rates to $34 and $275, respectively.”

96:14 “that the Board approve $23.4K to distribute the June 1996 ‘Optical Networks’ issue of JLT to JSAC subscribers.”

96:15 “that the Board of Governors approve the following policy for collocated events: ComSoc’s 300-level technical sessions and ComSoc committee and board meetings will be held at the conference hotel.”

96:16 “that the Board of Governors request GICB to provide an executive summary on ICC and Globecom for each BoG meeting.”

96:17 “that the Board approve $5K for supplementary expenses associated with the Visiting Chapter Program in 1996.”

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96:18 “that Ross report to the Board on procedures and costs involved for ComSoc to manage its own finances rather than relying on IEEE services.”

96:19 “that the Director of Publications work with staff on a proposal offering package discounts starting in 1998 for members subscribing to multiple publications, and that he bring it to the Board for approval before the June TAB meetings.”

96:20 “that conference expenses incurred at Globecom and ICC (meeting rooms, food and beverage, and audio visuals) be handled in accordance with the intent of the attached proposal (Attachment 2d); two signatures will be required (staff and committee representative).”

96:21 “that OpCom approve the Communications Society Travel Policy (Attachment 2g) with its proposed changes, contingent upon final approval in November after Roberto’s review of the original and revised policy.”

96:22 “that Charlie bring recommendations for three new staff positions--managing editor, systems analyst, and staff accountant--to the Board in November.”

96:23 “that the Board approve a $10K contribution from ComSoc’s publications budget towards the IEEE electronic initiative, offering technical support but without further ComSoc participation.”

96:24 “that OpCom approve restructuring ComSoc’s Publications Department under two directors: an appointed Director of Archival Publications (journals) and an appointed Director of Tutorial Publications (magazines) effective January 1, 1997; and that the current Director of Publications’ position terminate concurrently; this will be placed on the regular agenda in November for final approval.” All approved. (Actual titles for
these positions will be decided later.) This action will be distributed to the BoG for discussion after OpCom.

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Consent Agenda approved:

96:20 “that conference expenses incurred at Globecom and ICC (meeting rooms, food and beverage, and audio visuals) be handled in accordance with the intent of the attached proposal (attachment 1b); two signatures will be required (staff and committee representative).”

96:21 “that the Board approve the Communications Society Travel Policy with its proposed changes (attachment 1c).”

96:25 “that the Board approve a proposal to add four new staff people; a staff financial/accountant person, systems analyst, managing editor, and a marketing assistant.”

96:26 “that ComSoc’s new organizational structure include a Director for Latin America under the Vice President of Membership Development; ComSoc’s four regional directors would be: US and Canada, Latin America, Asia-Pacific, Europe-Middle East-Africa.”

96:27 “that ComSoc establish an electronics ‘Standards Information Service’ as part of the Information Gateway being developed by our Technical Activities Council (TAC), to be initiated January 1, 1997, funded by an initial appropriation of $5,000 for 1997, and managed by a Standards Information Committee.”

96:28 “that the Board approve the Technical Committees Recertification Committee recommendations to recertify the Gigabit Networking, Communications Software, and Transmission, Access and Optical Communications technical committees.”

96:29 “that the Board support the Technical Committees Recertification Committee recommendation not to recertify our Quality Assurance Management Technical Committee.”

96:30 “that the Technical Affairs budget be increased by $5,000 (to include the Standards Information Service) and that a total 1997 budget of $46,500 be approved.”

96:31 “that the Board approve the 1997 budget for International Affairs of $156,500.”

96:32 “that the Board reaffirm that ComSoc follows IEEE’s policy that Taiwan participants in Communications Society activities can identify themselves as being from Taiwan without further identification (i.e., <name>, <city>, Taiwan).”

96:33 “that the Board accept the 1997 budget for Membership Affairs totaling $130,500.”

96:34 “that the Board approve restructuring ComSoc’s Publications Department into two departments; Magazines (appointed director) and Journals (appointed director) effective January 1, 1997.”

96:35 “that the Board approve $3100 for travel-and-living expenses in 1997 for the Director of Magazines.” All approved.

96:36 “that the Board approve a 1997 budget of $5200 for the Director of Journals - $2400 for administrative support and $2800 for travel-and-living expenses.”

96:37 “that the Board approve $4,000 for administrative expenses in 1997 for Larry Milstein, Editor-in-Chief of JSAC.”

96:38 “that the Board approve $10,500 for 1997 travel-and-living expenses of the Director of Meetings and Conferences.”

96:39 “that, whereas the BoG reaffirms its desire to provide a distinct identity for its technical community at collocated ICC/Supercomm events, the Board modifies motion 96:15 (BoG, June 1996) to state: ICC technical events and committee meetings should be located in a contiguous area with:
> minimal non-related traffic;
> dedicated break/refreshment area;
> easy access from entrance and bus drop-off;
> convenient point for registration desk and message center;
that the Board approve $56,200 in 1997 for the Chapters budget.”

96:41 “that the Board approve $7,500 in 1997 for the travel-and-living expenses of the Division III Director to attend OpCom, Retreat and Computer Society meetings.”

96:42 “that the Board approve the completion, by the year 2000, of the transition of GICB conferences to a mini-conference structure.”

96:43 “that the Board approve an experiment in 1997 on virtual panels; panels will be divided into two parts—the first utilizing live participation and online interaction with the follow-up panel (approximately one month later) solely online.”

96:44 “that the Board establish an new application rebate program at conferences—an appreciation program—according to the following guidelines:

> If a regular member signs up as a full or limited participant at a conference, this member receives a $25 rebate credit on his member account which will be applied towards next year’s ComSoc dues;
> Non-ComSoc members attending conferences receive a free one-year ComSoc (not IEEE) membership;
> Beneficiaries will be notified via letter from ComSoc headquarters;
> Implementation will begin in 1997 with a limited set of conferences to be selected; a budget allocation of $30,000 in 1998 is required.”

**OpCom1 April 1997 - Motions**

97:1 “that OpCom allocate $5K to implement a program to form new chapters in ‘difficult’ areas.”

97:2 “that subscription rates for the Internet Society (ISOC) be set at sister society rates.”

97:3 “that student rates for 1998 be reduced from $12 to $10 for Communications Magazine, from $17 to $15 for Network Magazine, and from $19 to $15 for Personal Communications.”

97:4 “that a proposal allocating $10K to M&C Department this year to finance a marketing test for Globecom’97 be placed on the Board’s consent agenda in June.”

**BOG1 June 1997 - Motions**

97:5 “that the Consent Agenda (included below) be approved:

- Approval of Board of Governors Minutes, November 21, 1996.
- Proposal allocating $10K to M&C to finance a marketing test for Globecom’97 be placed on the Board’s consent agenda in June.
- Authorization of $12K to the IEEE JOLLY program to post all 1997 ComSoc Journal issues (Letters, TOC, JSAC, TON).”

97:6 “that the Board of Governors adopt the following resolution on autonomous society staff operations:

- Whereas the IEEE Board of Directors is expected to consider a proposal to make Society Executive Directors direct reports of the IEEE General Manager or other central IEEE executive, and
- Whereas the present decentralized structure of IEEE permits any entity capable of maintaining a staff organization to manage that organization autonomously, and
- Whereas fiduciary responsibility for an entity's management of IEEE assets is efficiently and adequately assumed by that entity's Board and officers, and
- Whereas the present decentralized structure has greatly enhanced the range and quality of IEEE products, and
Whereas an attempt to alter the reporting relationships of those Society staffs that are now reporting to their Society officers would give rise to substantial and entirely unnecessary divisiveness within the IEEE,

THEREFORE the Board of Governors of the IEEE Communications Society reaffirms its policy that its Executive Director is and should be responsible to the IEEE Communications Society's Board of Governors and a direct report of the President of the Society, instructs the Division III delegate to so inform the IEEE Board of Directors, and expresses its strong opposition to any change in the present reporting relationship."

97:7 “the Board approve that 1998 member dues remain at $23; that sister society publications rates not exceed $50; that student rates for 1998 be reduced from $12 to $10 for Communications Magazine, from $17 to $15 for Network Magazine, and from $19 to $15 for Personal Communications.”

97:8 Ross moved “that

the internal ComSoc budget for 1998 be modified to remove the $200K and reduce the total by that amount; funding for ‘new initiatives’ where justified may be submitted for consideration and approval at meetings of the Board of Governors or OpCom.

The Treasurer, President and President-Elect (or Past President as appropriate) shall submit a recommendation for approval levels for the OpCom to take actin without waiting for the Board of Governors meeting. This level shall not exceed one-half per cent of the expense budget for the year in which the recommendation is submitted and/or to be constituted. Any actions taken by the OpCom in the interim shall be included in the consent agenda for the next meeting of the Board of Governors.”

97:9 “that a steering committee be established consisting of staff and Board volunteers (and chaired by the Executive Director) to define the needs and requirements for ComSoc’s 50th Anniversary.”

97:10 “that the Board of Governors authorize hiring a database programmer/administrator as soon as the new Information Systems Manager has been hired.”

97:11 “that the Board of Governors authorize the hiring of a web programmer/administrator.”

97:12 “that the Board approve the procedure that proposals for future staff positions be referred to the Staff and Facilities Committee and that a full staffing model be developed to predicting staff needs for the next 3 to 4 years.”

97:13 “that the Board approve changing the Quality Assurance Management Technical Committee name to Communications Quality and Reliability with a new charter reflecting increased emphasis on network reliability.”

97:14 “that the Board allocate $5K in 1998 to be used by the new Vice President of Membership Development for membership/chapter development in difficult countries/areas.”

97:15 “that the Board of Governors authorize a program allowing graduating members to subscribe to ComSoc publications at the student (half) rate for the first three years after graduation.”

97:16 “that the conference awards/rebate program implemented at ICC’97 be expanded to two conferences in 1998.”

97:17 “the Board of Governors recommend to GICB:

that a given number of technical sessions at ICC and Globecom be directly organized by ComSoc technical committees (TCs);

that up to a maximum of 15 technical sessions at ICC’98 be directly organized by the TCs;

that organized technical sessions (OTS’s) require a given TC to appoint session organizer(s) to solicit a number of papers to fit into the session. These solicited papers should be reviewed by reviewers appointed by the organizing TC, who is ultimately responsible for the paper quality; (OTS’s might include non-solicited papers coming from the open call);

TCs should propose in advance such OTS’s to the Technical Program Committee (TPC) of the relevant ICC/Globecom. The TPC will then select the OTS’s that fit into the conference program.”

97:18 “that a concrete proposal for online education modules be developed with solid content and suitable content person that can be adopted for the strategic direction and future of the Society.”

97:19 “that the Communications Society establish, no later than January 1, 1998:
a Young Members Committee reporting to the Vice President, Membership Development, and that the chair of this Committee be a regular member of the Membership Development Council.

An appropriate Bylaws addition will be considered by the Board no later than its meeting in November, 1999, on the basis of evaluation of the work of the committee over two years.

The Committee will be charged with recommending improvements in services to student members and recent graduate members, and for proposing and implementing programs to improve the retention of young professionals after graduation."  (motion 97:19)  Approved.

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97:20 “that OpCom approve the proposal for a web-based course on wireless communications to be developed by Stephen Gibbs at the University of Texas.  Budget details will be worked out by Ron Bose and Jack.”

97:21 “that OpCom approve the CIC publications side agreement with the following change: ‘Journal of CIC and Telecommunications Science magazine’ be replaced by the word ‘activities’ in 1.2 (since Chinese-language publications may not be appropriate).”

97:22 “that OpCom approve the Marketing activities and priorities for 1998.”

97:23 “that OpCom appoint two delegates to the IEEE Committee on Communications Information Policy (CCIP) and include this motion in November's BoG consent agenda.”

97:24 “that OpCom allocate 5K in 1997 towards the production of a ComSoc video costing no more than 10K”

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97:25 “for approval of the Board of Governors Minutes, June 11, 1997”.

97:26 “for approval of the OpCom Minutes, September 5, 1997”.

97:27 “for approval of the Consent Agenda (below)”.

97:28 “that the amended IEEE Communications Society Constitution be approved.”

97:29 “that the revised IEEE Communications Society Bylaws be approved.”

97:30 “that the final sentence in 3.2.1 of the Bylaws be modified as follows: ‘When an elected officer is elected to another position during his term, he/she will resign from the former position.’”

97:31 “that the ‘Director’ line in the proposed 3.7.1 modification of the Bylaws be further modified as follows: ‘Directors (including Division III) will participate - as determined by the President for each meeting.’”

97:32 “that the 3.2.1 of the Bylaws be modified as follows: ‘one third of the total (12) Members-at-Large will be elected annually….’”

97:33 “that his Meeting Procedures (Purpose, Scope, Members, and Procedures ComSoc Management and Governance Meetings) be approved with the modification that attendance at OpCom meetings should reflect 3.7.1 of the revised Bylaws.”

97:34 “that $12K be allocated to form an international professional activities committee in 1998 for a duration of two years.”

97:35 “that ComSoc’s 1998 budget be approved as presented.”

97:36 “that the BoG establish a Distinguished ComSoc Member Grade to reward long-time relevant volunteer work for the Society.  Society Vice Presidents will select which volunteers achieve this higher grade; anyone may nominate a candidate.”
“that the BoG approve expanding JSAC from 9 to 12 issues per year (with the 3 new issues becoming JSAC special issues on wireless); expanding the overall page budget to 600 pages per year (total 2450), having no price increase in 1998; and allocating 10K for an initial marketing campaign.” (Section 2L in the minutes) Proposed launch date is March, 1999.

OpCom1 April 1998 - Motions

98:1 “that OpCom approve increasing the IEEE Network Magazine editorial page allocation from 400 to 460 per year, effective in 1999.”

98:2 “that OpCom approve proceeding with IEEE ComSoc E-News, targeted for September, 1998 (in accord with a scope as articulated at the April OpCom meeting and consistent with IEEE Policy,” with the proviso that it go to the BoG in June.

98:4 “that OpCom support the ComSoc electronic periodical publication fulfillment plan - provide web/electronic address for member periodical-subscribers as an enhancement of the subscription benefit; offer an electronic-only access package of ComSoc optional periodicals; charge members $69 and students $40 (sister-society subscriber price for the electronic-only package withdrawn).”

98:4 “that OpCom approve a ComSoc periodical publication pricing strategy that considers market forces, competition, perceived value and economic factors and non-member rates as appears in the attachment (#13),” with the proviso that it go to the BoG in June.

98:5 “that OpCom support 1999 member subscription prices as presented here (see attachment 13),” with the proviso that it go to the BoG in June.

98:6 “that OpCom approve the following: to recognize conference attendees’ value to ComSoc, encourage membership, and stimulate increased attendance, the ComSoc Rewards Rebate shall be set at $30 per event, effective in 1999.”

98:7 “that OpCom approve the ComSoc mailing list release policy (see attachment 15) with the proviso that it go to the BoG for discussion in June.”

98:8 “that OpCom approve (subject to confirmation of the BoG) transfer of one-third of the short-term reserve to long-term investment; this shall be done on a laddered basis at the beginning of each quarter in 1998.”

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98:9 “that the BoG approve the ComSoc electronic periodical publications fulfillment plan which would a) provide web/electronic access for member periodical subscribers as an enhancement of the subscription benefit; b) offer an electronic-only access ‘package’ of all ComSoc optional periodicals; and c) charge members $69 and students $40 for the electronic-only package.”

98:10 “that the BoG approve a ComSoc periodical publications pricing strategy that considers market forces, competition, economic factors and non-member rates as presented here.”

98:11 “that the BoG approve the proposed 1999 member subscription prices as presented.”

98:12 “that the BoG (a) approve the attached policies and procedures on standards development activities as a ComSoc goal (with a two-stage implementation plan); and (b) create a Standards Committee chaired by ComSoc’s representative to the IEEE Standards Board with authorization to begin implementation of these policies and procedures.”

98:13 “that the BoG approve the following approval levels and business plan requirements for expenditures: $5k for Directors/Treasurer, $10k for Vice Presidents/Executive Director, $25k for the President, $25k - $50k for OpCom (with informal, one-page business plan), and over $50k for the BoG (with formal business plan).”

98:14 “that the BoG adopt the guiding principles reflected in Tom’s presentation, and the salient points mentioned in Curtis’ discussion of ‘issues’, the latter offered in the context of Meetings and Conferences.”
“that ComSoc proceed with plans to become one of four IEEE societies to equally share in the business and editorial aspects of the new publication, IEEE Transactions on Multimedia.”

“that the BoG proceed with IEEE ComSoc E-Newsletter (as approved in April’s OpCom) targeted for September 1998, in accord with the scope articulated at OpCom and consistent with IEEE policy.”

“that the BoG approve a ComSoc Publications Award for exemplary service to IEEE Communications Society publications over a sustained period of time; the award will consist of a plaque, certificate, and $500 cash award (offered annually as appropriate).”

“that the BoG approve a jointly (50/50) organized biennial conference in Europe with AFCEA starting with EuroCom 2000 to strengthen ComSoc’s service to European members.”

“that the BoG approve the formation of a study group to investigate collaboration between the Vehicular Technology Society and ComSoc from all aspects--up to and including possible merger.”

“that the BoG approve changing the name of the Membership Programs Board to Membership Programs Development Board and amend the Bylaws accordingly.”

Tom moved “that the BoG approve amending Article 3.2.4, bullet three, of the Bylaws to read: Absence or incapacity of Vice President or Member at Large - Individuals will be identified from the candidate group, in the sequence of votes received, and will be appointed by the President to serve the remainder of the elected term. If no one of these individuals can serve, the vacancy will be filled by action of the BoG upon proposal by the President; that person will serve only until the position can be filled in the next election.”

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“that OpCom approve the President’s budget for 1999 as presented (total $25,850).”

“that OpCom approve $5K to be added to the President’s 1999 budget in a discretionary fund for Nominations & Elections (total President budget $30,850).”

“that OpCom approve the President-Elect’s budget for 1999 as modified during this meeting (total $9,800).”

“that OpCom approve the Strategic Planning budget for 1999 as presented (total $8,000).”

“that OpCom approve the Membership Development Budget for 1999 as presented (total $370K - including $85K for VP Membership Development, $20K for Membership Programs Development, and $265K for 4 Regional Directors).”

“that OpCom approve the Information Services Development budget for 1999 as modified during this meeting (total $159,200).”

“that OpCom approve the Membership Services budget for 1999 as modified during this meeting, totaling $9,800 (minus election).”

“that OpCom approve allocating $26K for the 1999 ComSoc election process, which includes $4K for an incentive for ballot returns.”

“that OpCom approve the Education budget for 1999 as modified during this meeting (total $51,100).”

“that, in the spirit of inter-Society cooperation and collaboration, OpCom approve ComSoc as a technical cosponsor of KICS Journal of Communications and Networks.”

“that OpCom approve the Journals budget for 1999 as presented (total $4,500).”

“that OpCom approve the Magazines budget for 1999 as presented (total $3,000).”

“that OpCom approve the Meetings & Conferences budget for 1999 as modified during this meeting (total $27,600).”

“that OpCom approve the Technical Activities budget as modified during this meeting (total $51,500).”
“that OpCom approve the Marketing budget for 1999 as presented (total $435,600).”

“that OpCom approve the Society Relations budget for 1999 as modified during this meeting (total $30,300 including $14,000 for V.P. Society Relations, $8,000 for U.S. & IEEE Societies, and $8,300 for International Societies).”

“that OpCom approve the Treasurer’s 1999 budget covering office/travel expenses as presented (total $12,000).”

“that OpCom approve the ComSoc budget for 1999 as modified during this meeting.”

“that OpCom approve ComSoc’s portion of the 1999 Division III budget as presented (total $5,700).”

“that OpCom approve the IPAC budget for 1999 as modified during this meeting (total $5,000).”

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98:42 that the Board create a position of Chair, Technical Information reporting to the Vice President - Technical Activities. The Chair will organize a Standing Committee on Technical Information that will set the technical direction of ComSoc’s online technical information references, including the related intellectual property issues, maintain a high standard of technical excellence, and work with ComSoc’s Information Services Department for its implementation.

98:43 that the Board approve amending Bylaw Article 8 on Society Representatives as follows: Representatives are appointed by the President for a one or two-year term in consultation with the Vice President - Society Relations when appropriate. They represent the Society in other IEEE organizations such as IEEE-sponsored councils and committees, steering committees of inter-Society publications and conferences, and other non-IEEE Societies and organizations. The Vice President - Society Relations may yield consultative authority to the appropriate Vice President (Technical Activities, Membership Services, Membership Development) as the situation dictates.

98:44 that the Board approve (a) transferring of $11,050 from the INFOCOM’99 budget to the 1998 M&C budget for development of Version 1 of a ComSoc Paper Processing Program during 1998; (b) to allocate $10,000 for 1999 to continue any development work on Version 1.0 and to undertake development on Version 2.0.

98:45 that the BoG approve the 1999 budget as presented in the consent agenda.

98:46 that the BoG approve the capital equipment budget for 1999 as presented (total $150K).

**OpCom1 April 1999 Motions**

99:1: a) “that the current appointed position of Director - Information Services Development changes its reporting from the Vice President - Membership Development to the President, effective following approval by the BoG in June 1999;” and b) “that a review team be established immediately to access how the volunteer management structure is working and to recommend modifications, if necessary. The Committee should report to the BoG in June 1999 and if needed in December 1999.”

99:2 “in order to more accurately reflect our new organizational structure, that the name of the Membership Activities Council (MAC) be changed to Membership Development Council (MDC) and that Article 4.5 of the Bylaws be amended to reflect the change.”

99:3 “in order to more accurately reflect our new organizational structure, that the name of the International Activities Council (IAC) be changed to International Development Council (IDC) and that Article 4.6 of the Bylaws be amended to reflect the change.”

99:4 “that the Board approve a 10% increase in the member and non-member subscription rates of IEEE Communications Letters to cover the increased page count.”

99:5 “that, in order to more accurately reflect our new organizational structure, the name of the International Conference Policy Board (ICPB) be changed to the Meetings & Conferences Board and that Article 6 of
the Bylaws (6.1 and 6.6) be amended to reflect the change.”

99:6 “that the Board approve allocating $24,000 to $32,000 in the M&C Budget to fund a marketing test for MILCOM’99.”

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99:7 “that the travel policy be accepted as presented with the following change - that the one-in-three rule be eliminated (sentences 2 and 3 of the final section) and that the policy apply to all, effective January 1, 2000.”

99:8 “that the travel procedures be accepted as presented.”

99:9 “that the BoG approve the following proposals on eCommerce:

- extend the market test of the ComSoc "Industry New Cache (INC)" another 6 months (+$30K) and investigate key word linkage to portions of our Electronic Periodicals Package.
- fully fund the Phase III publications infrastructure development plan. This plan was provided for information to the OpCom in April. (Full funding may require a budget authorization of $20-30K in addition to the $50K already budgeted for on-line improvements in 1999.)
- test market to the "virtual Comsoc", perhaps using an alias other than <comsoc.org> to reach communications professionals. (Comsoc.org is Society member oriented; a different "look and feel" will be tested. Software and programming costs not to exceed $15K.)
- issue an RFP and hire an "e-marketing" firm to develop the virtual ComSoc market and our use of contemporary e-marketing tools.)
- draft a business plan for a print publication that would attract readers and contributors from the "virtual" community of communications professionals.”

99:10 “that the Society Relations Council should continue with two Director positions – one dealing with related societies and the other dealing with all national societies.”

99:11 “that the Board approve a new Director – Marketing, effective January 1, 2000.”

99:12 “that the BoG approve the OpCom motion (99:1) stating: that the current appointed position of Director - Information Services Development change its reporting from the Vice President - Membership Development to the President, and that it remain an appointed position.”

99:13 “that the title Director – Information Services Development be changed to Chief Information Officer.”

99:14 “that the BoG accept the 1998 financial report as presented, subject to audit.”

99:15 “that the member subscription price for IEEE Communications Letters remain the same ($20 for members/$10 for students/$10 for others).”

99:16 “that the BoG approve the periodicals pricing structure with member and non-member editorial page counts.”

99:17 “that the title of Division Delegate-Elect/Director-Elect be established for Division III and the term of office be established at one year.”

99:18 “that the BoG approve the OpCom motion (99:2) stating: that, in order to more accurately reflect our new organizational structure, the name of the Membership Activities Council (MAC) be changed to Membership Development Council and Article 4.5 of the Bylaws be amended to reflect the change.”

99:19 “that the BoG approve the OpCom motion (99:3) as follows: that, in order to more accurately reflect our new organizational structure, the name of the International Activities Council (IAC) be changed to Global Activities Development Council and Article 4.6 of the Bylaws be amended to reflect the change.”

99:20 “that the BoG approve the OpCom motion (99:5) stating: “that, in order to more accurately reflect our new organizational structure, the name of the International Conference Policy Board (ICPB) be changed to
Meetings & Conferences Board and Article 6 of the Bylaws (6.1 and 6.6) be amended to reflect the change.”

99:21 “that the Director – Meetings & Conferences be authorized to make organizational changes within M&C and that he/she provide written notification to the BoG when such changes are made.”

99:22 “that the Communications Society Bylaws be amended to include a Standing Committee on Technical Information, with the following specific text: ‘This Committee consists of a Chair, appointed by the President upon recommendation of the Vice President Technical Activities, and not less than six (6) members, each of whom are appointed by the Chair upon the approval of the Vice President Technical Activities for a three-year term, one-third of the members being appointed each year. This Committee will set the technical direction of ComSoc’s online technical information references, including the related intellectual property issues and will maintain a high standard of technical excellence’.”

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99:23 “that OpCom approve the Information Systems capital budget for 2000 as presented (total $98,399).”

99:24 “that OpCom approve the Chief Information Officer (CIO) budget for 2000 as presented (total $17,000).”

99:25 “that OpCom approve the Membership Development budget for 2000 as modified and presented (total $432,100 – including $255.1K for Vice President, $143K for Regional Directors, $11K for Director – Membership Programs Development, and $23K for Director – Marketing).”

99:26 “that OpCom approve the position of Director – Standards.”

99:27 “that OpCom approve the ComSoc/Information Theory Joint Paper Award with this addition: no paper already selected for a ComSoc paper award will be eligible.”

99:28 “that OpCom approve the Technical Activities budget for 2000 as modified and presented (total $65,000 – including $10K for Director - Standards).”

99:29 “that OpCom approve the Strategic Planning Committee budget for 2000 as presented (total $8,000).”

99:30 “in order to promote the Group Affiliate Membership program for low income members of Sister-Societies, that an annual fee of $35 for the introductory year of the agreement be charged to each group consisting of ten-or-less members with the same privileges and limitations as a ComSoc Affiliate Member. The regular Affiliate membership fee will be charged to each group after the introductory year.”

99:31 “in order to promote the Dual Membership program, that a fee of $35 for the introductory year of the agreement be charged to Sister-Society members with the same privileges and limitations as a ComSoc Affiliate Member. The regular Affiliate membership fee will be charged after the introductory year.”

99:32 “that OpCom approve the Society Relations budget for 2000 as presented (total $26,500 - including $14.1K for the Vice President, $5.4K for Director-IEEE & US Societies, and $7K for Director-International Societies).”

99:33 “that OpCom approve the President’s budget for 2000 as presented (total $68,800 – including $20K for Members-at-Large).”

99:34 “that OpCom approve the Past President’s budget for 2000 as presented (total $7,700).”

99:35 “that OpCom approve the Membership Services budget for 2000 as modified and presented (total $232,000).”

99:36 “that OpCom approve the Education budget for 2000 as modified and presented (total $33,500).”

99:37 “that OpCom accept the Journals budget for 2000 as modified and presented (total $6,800).”

99:38 “that OpCom approve the Magazine budget for 2000 as presented (total $4,000).”

99:39 “that the Bylaws be amended as follows: 6.7 Meetings & Conferences Board - This Board consists of at least six (6) members and is responsible for establishing policy, setting direction, and providing oversight
for all conferences and workshops sponsored by the Society. The Director, in consultation with the Vice President - Membership Services, authorizes organizational changes of the Board.”

99:40 “that OpCom approve the M&C budget for 2000 as modified and presented (total $51,500).”
99:41 “that OpCom approve the Executive Director’s operating budget for 2000 as presented (total $2,291,700).”
99:42 “that OpCom approve the International Professional Activities Committee budget for 2000 as modified and presented (total $8,000).”
99:43 “that OpCom approve the Marketing Plan for 2000 as presented (total $556,500).”
99:44 “that OpCom approve the Treasurer’s budget covering office/travel expenses for 2000 as presented (total $9,950).”
99:45 “that OpCom approve the Society operating budget for 2000 as modified and presented.”
99:46 “that OpCom approve ComSoc’s portion of the Division III budget for 2000 as presented (total $5,700).”

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99:47 “that the Board allocate $10K for an electronic attendance experiment at INFOCOM 2000 and $5K for a wireless electronic experiment at NOMS 2000.”
99:48 “that the Board establish a reserve policy.”
99:50 “that the BoG approve an amendment to the Bylaws to read as follows: Marketing Board - This Board is responsible for assuring a comprehensive and effective marketing program of Society products and services, and is chaired by the Director – Marketing.”
99:51 “that the Board approve expenses incurred in the digital archive program in the approximate amount of $345K and that a means be subsequently identified to derive income from this resource.”
99:52 “that the Cable-Based Delivery and Access Systems Technical Committee be dissolved and its technical focus and activities absorbed into the Transmission Access and Optical Systems TC.”
99:53 “that the Board approve the Society budget as presented.”