

AESS Fall 2022 Board of Governors Meeting
21-22 October 2022 - 8:00 – 5:00 pm BST
Edinburgh, Scotland, UK

Attendees: Alexander Charlish, Alfonso Farina, Braham Himed, Dale Blair, Fabiola Colone, Fulvio Gini, George Schmidt, Hugh Griffiths, Kathleen Kramer, Lance Kaplan, Laura Anitori, Lorenzo Lo Monte, Luke Rosenberg, Sabrina Greco, Mark Davis, Mehak Jetly, Michael Braasch, Michael Noble, Peter Willett, Philipp Markiton, Puneet Kumar Mishra, Stefano Coraluppi, Steve Butler, Wolfgang Koch

Virtual: Michael Cardinale, Walt Downing, Alfonso Farina, Laila Moreira, Roberto Sabatini, Sarana Tse

Non-voting: Bob Rassa (virtual), Francesca Filippini

Staff: Amanda Osborn

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Agenda Approval – Mark Davis

Mark welcomed everyone and reviewed the outline of the meeting.

MOTION: Francesca Filippini moved to approve the agenda of the Fall 2022 AESS Board of Governors Meeting. Sabrina Greco seconded. Motion passed. MO-0291

MOTION: Kathleen Kramer moved to accepted the minutes of the Spring 2022 AESS Board of Governors Meeting as written. Mike Noble seconded. Motion passed. MO-0292

President’s Message to the BoG – Mark Davis

Mark introduced the 2022 Officers and 2023 BoG Members.

Mark provided an update from the IEEE Technical Activities Board. Conferences are transitioning from COVID virtual formats to face-to-face and hybrid. A result of virtual conferences has been increased content being added to the Digital Library Initiative. Open Access remains a threat. PSPB believes IEEE provides excellent value to support price increases. The S/C expected to exceed budget by \$3.2M.

AESS milestones over the last years include an increase in geographic, gender, age, and technical area diversity. Publications and conferences improving in content and quality. The focus on education has been improved by the Virtual Distinguished Lecturer Program and Short Courses. Member Services increased chapter participation in Regions 9 and 10 and with Chapter Summits and added the Mike Wicks Travel Grant and AESS scholarships.

The 2022 accomplishments included the planning of the 50th anniversary, the VDL series, hosting hybrid BoG meetings, approval of T-RS, India Student Branch Initiative, revitalization of Technical Panels, and introduction of the Distributed Sensing Technology and Education Initiative (DSTEI), a 3-year initiative focused in Regions 9 and 10. Sabrina Greco is leading the ISAC program and implementing new initiatives in 2023.

President-Elect Message – Sabrina Greco

The 2022 accomplishments included the approved, new T-RS. They selected an EIC and Treasurer.

The first ISAC workshop will be held following the BoG meeting on Sunday, 23 October in person in Edinburgh and virtually.

Finance – Peter Willett

AESS has continuously generated surplus via overlength page charges and post-conference downloads. The publications are out of step with IEEE OA and are not in central, fast-moving and popular areas like ML and Quantum. There are opportunities to enhance relationships with students and members in under-represented regions. OA, reduced IEL revenue, and new rules from China continue to be threats.

Provided a summary of revenue and expenses. AESS is in the middle of all IEEE societies around \$12.5M in reserves. Reviewed the summary budgets actual versus budget for 2020-2023. IEEE moved to a web-based system, NextGen. Peter reviewed the 3% and 50% rules and how they can be utilized and recommends investing in new technologies.

AESS co-sponsors T-RS, J-MASS, OJSE, and JLT. The AES Magazine has the additional expenses of publishing, printing, and postage that T-AES doesn't as it's available online only now. Additional income for publications comes from overlength page charges, OA fees, and voluntary page changes. AES-M doesn't charge OA fees or page charges. If Plan S proceeds, T-AES may need to go OA. IEL income will decrease.

The 2023 initiatives approved by IEEE totaled \$172K including the 50th Anniversary. Peter noted the Sensors Council is similar in size, is aggressive with its new publication opportunities, and utilizes initiative funding more than AESS. There was a discussion held on what AESS should be keeping in reserves versus what its spending.

Technical Operations – Michael Braasch

Introduced the TO committee and current technical panels it oversees. Would like to see improved panel participation particularly with awards nominations.

There has been low engagement in the supertopic “Autonomy and Sustainability” championed by the Visions and Perspective ad hoc committee. Asking for more involvement from the BoG members in the supertopic to help increase visibility. (Example: The President's message in the QEB).

In order to be considered for the Technical Panel of the Year Award, TP chairs have to submit a report to the BoG meetings.

[Action Item: Mark Davis and Mike Braasch to get together offline to discuss an article for the Magazine to bring awareness to the Supertopic.](#)

Avionics Systems Panel – Roberto Sabatini

ASP holds monthly meetings to address research and innovation, publications, conferences, education activities, and standards. They are holding joint meetings with CSP. They hosted a successful UAS student research competition and free tutorial “Application and Certification Concerns for AI and ML Techniques in Safety Critical Avionics Systems” at DASC. Several ASP members are editors for T-AES and AES-M. ASP is leading two special issues in the Magazine. Three ASP members gave VDL webinars in 2022. Contributing to avionics Standards.

Cyber Security Panel – Kathleen Kramer

Co-hosting meetings with ASP every other month. Participated in IEEE Education Week. Offered a pre-conference free tutorial jointly with ASP at DASC 2022. Will hold a panel meeting at 2022 Carnahan Conference.

GAP – Randall Currey

Hosting bi-monthly meetings in person or virtually. Has been focused on revising and publishing Standards. GAP is coming up on their 60th anniversary.

NSP – Michael Braasch

Primary responsibility is the PLANS conference. Will be held in person in 2023 after a disruption from COVID. NSP contributed articles to T-AES and AES-M. Organized a special session at FUSION. There is a potential opportunity with the IEEE Navigation Conference.

[Action Item: Michael Braasch to discuss with Luke Rosenberg Technical Panels' involvement in 2023 International Radar Conference in Sydney in November 2023.](#)

Glue Tech Panel – Claudio Sacchi

Primary activities being reported are completed by Claudio. Determine if the panel members are being active and how much. Provide guidance to Claudio on how to present the activities of the panel. Glue Tech was awarded 2020 and 2021 Technical Panel of the Year.

RSP – Nathan Goodman

Updates not provided during the meeting. See slides for updates.

Rob would like to hold a joint panel meeting with all panel chairs.

Publications – Lance Kaplan

Introduced the Publications Committee and provided SWOT analysis. The publications are high quality and significantly faster review cycles. Need to do a better job of identifying emerging areas of interest especially in industry. Opportunity for AESS committees to be contributing content. New OJSE and T-RS journals can increase exposure. T-RS has 8 sponsors. Continuously tracking OA policies.

TAES

Reviewed editor appointments. Shannon Blunt is now the EiC of T-RS so will have to step down as Radar Systems TAES editor. Luke Rosenberg will replace Shannon. Downward trend of average number of weeks to first decision and online post.

Transitioned from EJ Press to ScholarOne. All of the papers for TAES and MAES have cleared the old system. There is legacy information remaining. Special sections/issues are in progress and calls are posted to the website.

Discussion held on how to better promote the journals. Table of contents listed on the website.

Michael Rice is stepping down as EiC on 31 December 2022. Gokhan Inalhan slated to be next EiC.

Established Outstanding Associate Editor Awards. Updated TAES Wikipedia page.

AES-M

Associate EiC vacant. Reviewed the past and current special issues. AES-M attracts many SI proposals but could be faster and more streamlined. Improvement measures will be proposed at future editorial board meetings.

Technical Panels contributing to special issues. Also publishing Tutorials and Book Reviews. IEEE requested a content schedule to help with solicit advertisements. Mark noted the 50th Anniversary issue should include advertisements from the major benefactors of the conferences.

[Action Item: Lance Kaplan to reach out to Daniel O’Hagan to confirm AESM Associate EiC by 1 January 2023.](#)

QEB

Including more non-radar content. Introducing new content like the Story Behind the Success column. Reviewing content and layout to make it more readable and include new types of content focused on industry. Worked with IEEE to improve bounce rate. Some BoG members weren’t receiving the QEB. Improvements on open and click rates since 2021. In the Spring 2022, IEEE archived many inactive ieee.org emails and members have to update their IEEE member profiles.

[Action Item: Amanda Osborn to work with QEB EiCs to promote the journals and new issues via the newsletter, emails, and social media and to discuss a potential new format.](#)

OJSE

Started accepting submissions in April 2022. The first publication will be in 2023. Key is recruiting authors as the journal doesn’t have an impact factor. There are three open special issues. The steering committee is composed by the sponsors – AESS, SYSC, and SMC.

T-RS

Passed Phase 2 in June 2022. The ScholarOne submission website is up. There are 8 sponsoring OUs (AESS-24%; equal to MTT-S). The EIC is Shannon Blunt.

Industry Relations – Michael Noble

Mike reviewed the 2022 accomplishments and activities of 2022. Focused on having industry panels at conferences and offering short courses to industry. Planning a mentoring/industry panel webinar for 2023. The committee is part of a pilot test, IEEE Industry Relations Platform (IRP). They supported IEEE Research Group on Issues of Autonomy and AI for Defense Systems. They are actively trying to expand Industry Innovation award nomination pool. Their goals include developing a program to grown industry engagement and sponsorship; grow relevance to industry engineers; and expand engagement to leverage corporate initiatives. Mike will work with next VP IR for continuation of these activities and goals.

IEEE is developing an IEEE Industry Ambassadors program. It's being soft-launched in Q3 2022. Mark noted that they should also look into R10. R8 and R9 there is evidence of an industry ambassador program. Luke noted there is a R10 Industry Relations Panel.

There was a discussion held regarding the legality of the short courses including NDAs and insurance certificates.

Action Item: Mark Davis and Mike Noble to discuss offline how to organize a networking/recruiting event for industry at conferences under the IEEE rules.

Action Item: BoG members to recommend Graduate Student Representative for 2023.

Action Item: Luke Rosenberg to follow-up with Kathleen Kramer regarding the insurance requirements for short courses.

Member Services – Laila Moreira

Laila reviewed the 2022 committee, goals and objectives. They have been focused on growing membership by 2%, recruiting new student members and converting them to full IEEE members; increasing diversity, and increasing member participation in AESS activities. Have the highest number of AESS student members ever. The committee is working with IEEE to create a discount code.

Main activities included student and YP events, the mentoring program, the planning of the 50th Anniversary activities, launch of the new website, and chapter engagement with Summit meetings and financial support. There was an online meeting held with India chapters with participation from Puneet and Mehak. The mentoring program needs to be updated to ensure mentors and mentees are active. Consider a renewal process.

Action Item: Laila Moreira and Sarana Tse to create a survey for mentors and mentees

There is a focus on growing participation and membership in regions 9 and 10. Challenges include no reporting mechanism for Student Branch Chapters. AESS hasn't been providing financial support to SBCs but will consider it in 2023. There was a discussion held on student membership fees and multi-society discounts. Example: implementing a discount code of 30% for chapter membership renewals where chapters have 16+ members and have reported 2+ events; implementing \$250 funding for student branches; action advertise more

Action Item: Laila Moreira to compose motions for the discount code and student branch chapter annual funding request process.

Future Chapter Summits:

- R1-7 February 14 in conjunction with the 50th Anniversary in Princeton, NJ, USA

- R9 – May 2023 after RadarConf (May 1- 5) CANSAT event is May 14, 2023
- R10 – In Sydney at International Radar Conference

Nominations and Appointments – Walt Downing

Walt reviewed the current and 2023-2025 BoG Members.

VP Conferences

Braham Himed ran unopposed. No nominations from the floor. Braham was elected for 2023 by acclamation.

VP Education – Alexander Charlish, Luke Rosenberg

Each candidate had 5 minutes to address the board, with 5 minutes for questions. The board discussed both candidates. Alex Charlish was elected for 2023 by a majority vote.

VP Finance

Peter Willett ran unopposed. No nominations from the floor. Peter was elected for 2023 by acclamation.

VP Industry Relations

Steve Butler ran unopposed. No nominations from the floor. Steve was elected for 2023 by acclamation.

VP Member Services

Lorenzo Lo Monte ran unopposed. No nominations from the floor. Lorenzo was elected for 2023 by acclamation.

VP Education – Lance Kaplan, Luke Rosenberg

Each candidate had 5 minutes to address the board, with 5 minutes for questions. The board discussed both candidates. Lance Kaplan was elected for 2023 by a majority vote.

VP Technical Operations

Michael Braasch ran unopposed. No nominations from the floor. Michael was elected for 2023 by acclamation.

Plaques were presented to Michael Braasch, Fulvio Gini, and Fabiola Colone for their service to the BoG.

New Initiatives – Mark Davis

At June 2022 TAB meeting several initiatives were approved to advance technology for humanity to under-represented groups. AESS has been active in opening new chapters and student branches in R9 and India. There is potential for an IEEE 3% rule funding for 2023-2025. IEEE came back and said use 50% funds). AESS Strategic Plan should include initiatives to grow and improve benefits for its members. The focus will be on R9 and 10 with additional opportunities in R8, specifically Africa.

Mark is managing the DSTEI initiative with the President-Elect, VP Finance, VP Membership, and VP Education; and presented the milestone schedule. Required to give a report every six months and will reevaluate every couple of years. The initiative doesn't require funding yet, but anticipated in February 2023.

ISAC Initiative – Sabrina Greco

Provided introduction on ISAC. Hosting the workshop on Sunday afternoon. The motivation is focused around spectrum erosion. SPS/ComSoc also hosting online and in-person workshops, special sessions and conferences, and created a newsletter with an ISAC focus. AESS to build a working technical group and potentially merge activities with other OUs to create multi-society initiatives.

Short Courses – Luke Rosenberg

The website has been updated with a guide, budget info, and instructors. The three primary formats are in-person/hybrid, virtual, and industry-focused courses. Luke contacted the DLs and there are five new short courses.

Luke contacted the chapters. Actively promoting on social media. Sent a survey out to South Australia and had 21 respondents. Upcoming Short Courses with Sabrina Greco and Subrata Das. The three-year goal is to run at least one short course in each IEEE region.

Action Item: Alex Charlish and Luke Rosenberg to prepare a proposal for the new initiative “Short Course Lecture Series”.

India Membership Initiative – Puneet Mitra

The initiative was approved at the Spring 2022 BoG meeting. There has been one Section Chapter added and 9 Student Branch Chapters added since March. Activities include DeSSI, MBSE, Electro-optics, and AISYWLC. Looking to expand their activities and interacting with volunteers in Kerala and Gujrat, and organizing more workshops. There is a demand to organize a conference, IEEE Space, Defense, and Aerospace Conference (ISDA) in India. Looking to collaborate more with existing conferences with a focus in AESS fields.

Recess until Saturday

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m. BST.

Day 2 – Saturday, 22 October call to order at 8:15 a.m. BST.

Conferences – Braham Himed

Braham reviewed the SWOT analysis. The conferences continue to be well-attended and provide excellent surpluses. Need to improve interactions between conference organizing committees and AESS and develop processes for FCS and TCS and better understand AESS’ role in TCS; and improve timeliness of post-conference reporting. There is an opportunity to establish a standard deliver model for all future conferences. Reviewed the list of financially and technically sponsored conferences.

New initiatives include supporting student events and revive the Junior Conference concept; support common technical areas with other societies; and participate in chapter summits.

There was a discussion held on AESS’s role in TCS. The conference pays \$1,450 and AESS gets a share of the conference downloads.

Action Item: Braham Himed to update conference guidelines and work with Amanda Osborn to develop a conference tracking database.

Education – Alexander Charlish

The Education Committee has been focused on facilitating quality in-person events while expanding online educational resources. The main activities are the Distinguished Lecturer program, educational events, and awards. In 2021-2022, transition from the IEEE Resource Center to the IEEE Learning Network and have been focused on increasing the content on the ILN. AESS has 96 videos on the ILN and growing. The focus of 2023 will be to advertising the ILN. Amanda noted the ILN doesn’t support PDFs like the Resource Center. The AES Magazine was previously posted to the Resource Center. IEEE *Xplore* is also adding a video component to content hosting on *Xplore*.

Looking to broaden the pool of available, qualified speakers by hosting a series of webinars in January/February 2023. In 2022, held a VDL about every two weeks from June-December with often more than 100 participants. There were fewer in-person DLs reported during COVID. There will be a call for new DLs for 2023-2024. Existing DLs will be required to reapply. Starting in 2023, DLs will be required to provide one recorded VDL each year. Lorenzo noted to continue to create content for the ILN, DLs should be recording new talks or update their existing talks.

Updating Summer School events to be Boot Camps and Challenges. Need to find highly motivated people in the technical panels to support and run these.

The Robert Hill award closes on October 31. The Mike Wicks Travel Grant will continue at RadarConf’23. The scholarship was increased to \$10,000 each but have been struggling to get qualified applicants. Bob recommended

getting on a centralized listing for scholarships (IEEE does not have one) and is going to look into this option more. BoG members to help promote with their universities. Need to improve the efficiency of the selection of the scholarships so that they are receiving the funds prior to their fall semester. Sabrina proposed adding another scholarship to be more inclusive of the AESS areas and international countries.

Action Item: BoG members to recommend speakers for the upcoming educational webinar series.

Action Item: Alex Charlish to reach out to technical panel chairs and chapter chairs for recommendations of speakers.

Action Item: Alex Charlish, Luke Rosenberg, and Amanda Osborn to update website pages for the DLs and Short Courses to make the speakers' information searchable and sortable.

YP Travel Grant proposal is intended to support YPs attending AESS conferences. Asking for a budget for three conferences per year. Alex will coordinate with Braham to select the other two. This should not overlap with the Michael Wicks Travel Grant, which is focused on students. The conference would be responsible for selecting and coordinating.

Motion: Alex Charlish moved to fund the IEEE AESS Young Professionals Travel Grants for 2023 in the amount of \$15,000. Fulvio Gini seconded. Motion passed. MO-0293

Radar Bootcamp – historically has been sponsored by a company (i.e., National Instruments); recommended asking for matching sponsorships from the conference sponsors and/or industry.

Motion: Alex Charlish moved to provide financial support to the Radar Boot Camp at the IEEE Radar Conference 2023 in the amount of \$3,000. Kathleen Kramer seconded. Motion passed. MO-0294

The YP Reception at IEEE Radar Conference 2023 is asking for \$3,500 (IEEE YP will give \$1,500). A discussion was held on why these are focused on Radar and not the other conferences and the challenges with getting other conferences to organize the events. Radar Conference is asking for the funding and the other conferences have not. Potentially other conferences don't know to ask.

Motion: Alex Charlish moved to provide financial support for a YP reception for the IEEE Radar Conference 2023 in the amount of \$3,500. Kathleen Kramer seconded. Motion passed. MO-0295.

Motion to Amend: Kathleen Kramer moved to amend the motion. Mike Noble seconded. Motion passed. MO-0296

Amended Motion: Alex Charlish moved to provide financial support for a YP reception at IEEE Radar Conference 2023 and up to two other AESS Financially Sponsored Conferences in the amount of \$3,500 per conference. Sabrina Greco seconded. Motion passed. MO-0297

Action Item: Philipp Markiton to reach out to AESS Financially Sponsored Conferences to determine their interest in holding a YP event during their conference (AUTOTESTCON, FUSION, AEROSPACE, DASC).

The Radar Challenge event in San Antonio is requesting support of \$1,500 in 2023. Walt noted the local chapter and conference are supporting the event. There are also on-going series of drone challenges at other conferences. Mark noted this should be budgeted for annually in the standing budget.

Motion: Alex Charlish moves to provide financial support to the Radar Challenge event in the amount of \$1,500. Mike Noble seconded. Motion passed. MO-0298

Action Item: Mark Davis to include YP receptions, challenges, and YP travel grants for AESS FCS in the standing budget.

Awards – Fulvio Gini

In the last three year, AESS has revised the scope of several award in the IEEE TAB Awards and Recognition Manually and established three awards – Early Career Award, Industrial Innovation Awards, and Distinguished Service Award (which replaced the Outstanding Service Award).

Fulvio reviewed who manages and chairs the selection process for each award. He explained the process and terms for each of the awards committees. It was agreed that the IR Committee/ VP Industry Relations should manage the Industrial Innovation Award. The Awards Chair manages the overall awards program.

Fulvio noted that all of the awards have struggled with getting nominations. Determine how to motivate the Technical Panels to have greater involvement to nominate people for awards. Discussion held on the inconsistencies of when the AESS Awards Chair is involved in the management of the awards. Moving forward the two RSP awards will be under the management of the Awards Chair.

Fulvio reviewed the awards that were presented at the 2022 Radar Conference.

Action Item: Fulvio Gini to update the chart with who is appointed as the chair for each award.

Action Item: Fulvio Gini to send an email reminder to the BoG members to solicit members for the awards committee.

Action Item: BoG members to send suggestions to Fulvio Gini for awards committee members by December 1.

Undergraduate (UG) Student Representative – Mehak Jetly

Noted there has been collaboration between student members and chapters. They are looking to create opportunities for student members engagement. The current focus in the field of Drone Operations and Cybersecurity and involving underserved regions.

Facilitated meeting with Griffiss Institute. Learning outcomes included industry is heavily investing in students with practical Cyber Security skills. UG students trying to find opportunities to learn skills and host a guest lecture on CS with AESS SBCs.

Hosted a meeting with student branches in India in September 2022. Mehak noted students are looking for ways to build experience. A discussion was held on how to get better support their sections particularly in those there aren't local AESS chapters.

Discussion on the funding for SBCs as they aren't considered chapters in the same way as regular chapter. It can be hard to keep track of SBCs and getting updated POCs. Unintentionally minimized the demand to become full IEEE membership.

The long-term focuses are to have monthly check-ins with SBC; add student activities section in the QBE; and create a platform for communication with SBCs. Amanda noted that we can send targeted emails to students.

Graduate Student/Mentorship – Sarana Tse

St. Mary's in the Lone Star section held a drone competition for 90 high school and university students.

The Mentorship program struggles to find new matches. It was noted there is not current reporting process. In 2023, AESS to promote the program more and create a survey to contact mentees and mentors to determine who is still active.

Young Professionals – Philipp Markiton

Held successful YP event at RadarConf'22. YP event at IET Radar in Edinburgh was not conducted. The IEEE Rising Stars sponsorship includes 3 attendees from AESS, a booth, and a session speaker spot. Supporting an event with IEEE AEESPRIT Student Branch Tunisian Section and speaker at ATEC conference and YP Congress and Young Professionals in Space sponsored event.

Looking to host 2023 YP events at RadarConf'23 and International Radar Conference (Sydney) and IEEE Kenya SYP.

2023 Meeting Schedule – Mark Davis

- February 14 – R1-7 Chapter Summit (Princeton, NJ)
- February 15 – AESS 50th Anniversary Event (Princeton, NJ)
- February 15-16 – Officer Strategic Planning Meetings (Princeton, NJ)
- Spring BoG Meeting at Radar Conference (San Antonio, TX)
- Fall BoG Meeting at International Radar Conference (Sydney, AUS)

Mark is also looking at potential dates for R9 Chapter Summit to follow Radar Conference in Colombia, Bogota; and R10 in India prior to the BoG meeting.

Amanda will send out save the dates and additional information.

50th Anniversary – Laila Moreira

Laila reviewed the in-progress and completed activities related to the 50th anniversary. The Special Issue will be published January 2023. The promo items will be bought in 2023. Mark is coordinating the video with IEEE TV. RSVPs will go out to the BoG and to guests in the next month or so.

Action Item: Mike Noble to send an email to the top sponsors from Radar Conference to invite them to submit a quarter-page advertisement for the AESM 50th Anniversary issue.

Action Item: Mike Noble to send invitations to industry sponsors to speak at the 50th Anniversary event.

Outstanding Bylaws Change – Hugh Griffiths

The BoG previously passed the motion “Hugh Griffiths moved to amend the bylaws, as specified, to allow newly-elected members who have previously served on the Board of Governors to stand for Officer positions. Motion passed.” It was determined this change was not submitted to IEEE for formal approval.

Action Item: Hugh Griffiths to send the proposed change to the Bylaws “Hugh Griffiths moved to amend the bylaws, as specified, to allow newly-elected members who have previously served on the Board of Governors to stand for Officer positions. Motion passed.” to Jayne Cerone for approval.

Action Item (pending approval of Jayne Cerone): Amanda Osborn to send the proposed Bylaws change to Faith Agnew (IEEE).

Additional Motions – All

Motion: The Member Services Committee moved to approve a \$250 funding for AESS Student Branch chapters in underserved areas with at least 2 activities in the previous reporting year and a minimum of 5 student branch chapter members. There is a one-time activities requirement except for newly formed student branch chapters. Motion passed. MO-299

Motion: Lorenzo Lo Monte moved to approved to approve that AESS funds \$3,000 towards a student travel grant for 2023 IEEE Radar Conference. Braham seconded. Motion passed. MO-0300

Motion: Braham Himed moved to approve the support of a Young Professional in Space Event in Hamamet, Tunisia in the amount of \$1,000 USD. Fulvio Gini seconded. Motion passed. MO-0301

Motion: Braham Himed moved to approve that AESS Technically co-sponsors the European Radar Conference (EuRaD) and share TCS fees with APS and MTT-S. Dale Blair seconded. Motion passed. MO-0302

There was a discussion held on the precedent this motion sets and that this is a one-time exception. An MOU will need to be signed.

Luke Rosenberg asked the BoG to support that AESS becomes a financial co-sponsor of the 2023 IEEE International Radar Conference in Sydney, Australia. It was noted that a motion is not required and that it falls under the purview of the VP Conferences.

Action Item: Braham Himed to amend the MOU as a financial co-sponsor for the 2023 IEEE International Radar Conference in Sydney, Australia.

Luke Rosenberg moved that AESS sponsor young professional and student initiatives at the 2023 International Radar Conference in the amount of \$10,000. The motion was tabled for discussion.

Action Item: Luke Rosenberg to send AESS-sponsored YP and Student Initiatives proposal for the 2023 International Radar Conference in the amount of \$10,000 BoG considered to be voted on electronically.

Puneet asked that the BoG support that AESS become a financial sponsor for the 2023 IEEE Space, Defense, and Aerospace Conference. It was noted that a motion is not required and that it falls under the purview of the VP Conferences.

Action Item: Puneet Kumar Mishra to submit a conference application for the IEEE Space, Defense, and Aerospace Conference in India financially sponsored by AESS.

Motion: Sabrina Greco moved to support the \$5,000 expense for the India Membership Growth Initiative in 2023. Kathleen Kramer seconded. Motion passed. MO-0303

Motion: Mike Noble moved to adjourn. Luke Rosenberg adjourned. Motion passed. MO-0304