

Addendum to Minutes of meeting of IEEE TC on control education December 14th 2017 (Held at the CDC in Melbourne)

Following some reflection, Bozenna has decided now is the time for her to step down from her role of vice chair of this group. Obviously, her leadership and energy will be a big loss to the committee and we should put on record our thanks for the many significant contributions she has made.

For different reasons (new and demanding work roles), Bonnie Ferri is also stepping down from the committee entirely. Again we should record our thanks for the many special sessions and outreach activities she has helped prepare and deliver on behalf of the committee.

These two announcements could be serendipitous in that being rather thrown into the role of chair due to Sebastian's sudden retirement, I have observed a few organisational issues which can be improved and I would suggest the membership ponder and discuss when they meet at the ACC in 2018.

- 1) My understanding is that my position as chair is honorary (as I chair the partner IFAC committee) and technically I am a co-chair. There should also be a co-chair who is a longstanding and active member of the committee and the IEEE to ensure continuity. It seems in the last few years this subtlety has got lost so we now need to propose a co-chair. This is especially important as being European based I would rarely be able to attend ACC/CDC and there must be a co-chair who would routinely expect to attend these conferences.
- 2) Bozenna and Bonnie took the leadership in organising outreach activities at the ACC and CDC. We need some younger members to stand up and offer to take a much larger role in coordinating these as Bozenna and Bonnie step back. Such persons would also be ideal candidates for the vice-chair roles that are now vacant.