

Report of  
**Publications Board**  
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Our main activity since the last meeting was the Editors' Workshop held in Los Angeles on August 8 and 9, 1998. Around half of all the CS EICs were present. The items discussed included the publications program update, EIC role and responsibilities, management of editorial queues, electronic publishing at CS, *Intelligent Systems* Web attempt, *Internet Computing Online*, and *Computer's* H-1B survey on the Web. The group went through an exercise to discuss the role and vision in publishing and membership in 2046 (the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the IEEE CS).

I participated in a team visit to China between October 5-8, 1998, with Doris Carver, Michael Elliott, Carl Chang, Ron Hoelzeman, Francis Lau, and Iwao Hyakutake to discuss the establishment of the CS Beijing Center and CS mirror Web site in China. The contract, signed by Doris Carver on October 10, allows the China Computer Federation to operate on CS' behalf, the CS Beijing Center. The Center's main mission is to solicit new members in China. CS members in China, due to their low-income status, will have access to the CS digital library as part of their membership benefits. Subscription to paper copies of optional journals will be at regular member prices.

We have set up a new Web site for all CS EICs and members of the Publications Board. The site will contain information relevant to the Publications Board (PowerPoint presentations, EIC search guidelines, meeting minutes, etc.)

Based on comments received in the June meetings, I have revised the EIC search guidelines. The major change is that EIC search committees will be formed in October (approximately 15 months prior to the end of the term) rather than in January. This gives more time for search committees to evaluate current EICs (for reappointment) and identify new candidates.

We completed the mail ballot of appointing Jean-Luc Gaudiot as the EIC of *IEEE Transactions on Computers*. Due to the resignation of Prof. Bing Sheu as EIC of *IEEE Transactions of VLSI*, we have formed a search committee chaired by Prof. Steve Kang to appoint a new EIC by January 1, 1999. Prof. Don Bouldin is currently serving as the interim EIC.

We have appointed or are in the process of appointing volunteers to chair the search committees of the following five journals, whose EICs' term ends on December 31, 1999.

Journal	Current EIC	Search Committee Chair
IEEE Design and Test	Yervant Zorian (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	
IEEE Annals	Michael Williams (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	
IEEE Multimedia	William I. Grosky (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	
IEEE TSE	Richard Kemmerer (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)	Farokh Bastani
IEEE TPDS	Jack A. Stankovic (1 <sup>st</sup> term)	Mike Liu

We have received one proposal on a new *Transactions on Dependable Computing* and an inquiry on a new *Transactions on Humanistic Intelligence*. The first proposal was turned down after e-mail discussions. We have not heard from the proposer of the second proposal after the initial contact.

## DRAFT AGENDA

### Publications Board

### November 18, 1998

8:00 am – 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast	
8:30 am – 8:45 am	Call to Order Introductions Approval of the Agenda Approval of June'98 Minutes	Wah Wah Wah Everett
8:45 am – 9:15 am	Vice President's Report	Wah
9:15 am – 9:45 am	Publisher's Report	Loeb
9:45 am – 10:00 am	Break	
10:00 am – 12:00 noon	MOC Meeting TOC Meeting	Chang Butler
12:00 noon – 1:00 pm	Lunch	
1:00 pm – 1:15 pm	MOC Report	Chang
1:15 pm – 1:30 pm	TOC Report	Butler
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Action Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EIC Budget Reviews</li> <li>• TVLSI EIC Search</li> <li>• Extension of Cybenko's term</li> </ul>	Wah
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Break	
3:15 pm – 5:00 pm	Discussion Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demonstration of New Book</li> <li>• Linking CS Intellectual Properties with other Organizations</li> <li>• 1999 EIC Workshop (Aug. 8-9, 1999)</li> <li>• Building Communities of Practice</li> <li>• Review of <i>CS&amp;E</i> and <i>Concurrency</i></li> <li>• Service Awards to Past Editors</li> <li>• Establishment of DL Mirror Site in China</li> <li>• Functions of MOC and TOC</li> </ul>	Shriver Loeb  Loeb Loeb Loeb Wah Wah Wah
5:00 pm	New Business Next Meeting (February 17, 1999, Houston, Texas) Adjournment	Wah