Minutes of IEEE REGION 3 ExCom E-Conference

28 July 2008

Attendees: Eric Ackerman*, Tim Bigelow*, David Bower, William Clayton*, Pat Donohoe*, Bob Duggan, Joey Duvall, Matthew Ericksen, Willie Fitzpatrick, Devon Gayle*, David G. Green*, Charles E. Hickman*, Don Hill*, Keith Jadus*, William LaBelle, John Parr*, William B. Ratcliff (chair)*, Richard L. Riddle*, Susan Ronning, Wilfred Roberts, Lee Stogner* (* ➜ voting members)

David Green, serving as facilitator as requested by Director Ratcliff, convened the ExCom at 9:00 pm Eastern. Director Ratcliff welcomed everyone to the IRC and teleconference and thanked them for their participation

The ExCom approved agenda and the following items on the consent agenda:

- Receiving the reports listed in the Information Agenda

- Approved the minutes of 19 May 2008 ExCom Teleconference

Director Ratcliff reviewed his and SPC Chair Riddles actions on holding meetings with the R3 Standing Committees to begin develop plans to develop tactical plans aligned to the Region 3 Strategic Plan. He thanked everyone for their efforts on this and looked forward to hearing reports later at the meeting. The documentation for this effort is on the on-line community.

Director-Elect Stogner reviewed his report highlighted the Region 3 Employment Assistance On-line service (http://www.ieee.org/r3jobs). He solicited everyone's feedback.

Secretary Green asked Area/Council Chairs to help their sections report new officers and to keep contact information up to day.

Treasurer Hickman reported that Region expenses for SoutheastCon was approximately $50K with most expense reports received and processed.

Discussion Agenda

Director Ratcliff reviewed plans for Sections Congress. He noted that the 1 August deadline was rapidly approaching. Secretary Green asked that Region 3 Volunteers and Section Attendees note their plans at http://ewh.ieee.org/reg/3/excom/meetings/2008-09/ (Administrative Section). Director Ratcliff will be sending out a list of registrants (from MPS) to everyone and encouraged Area/Council Chairs.

ARC:

- Make submission of awards much more straight forward

Communications:

- No report beyond what is on the on-line Community Updates

Conferences:

- Looking at many potential efforts including considering registration systems

Educational Activities:

- Participating in Expert Now pilot for Section use at their meetings (no charge to Sections in 2008). He has a goal of getting at least 15 Region 3 Sections to participate.

- Working with other PAO, Member Engagement, and other committees to work on developing Leadership Tools.

Leadership Development and Training

- Working to develop training on vTools

- Developing a plan coordinated for Sections Congress and

Member Development

- Proposing to rename Member development to Member Engagement
- More efforts coming

Professional Activities Operations

- The Region should not feel inhibited due to Professional Activities being in IEEE-USA when considering plans. The activities of the PAO should be coordinated with the rest of the member engagement effort.

Strategic Planning

- Dick referred to his report summarizing activities to date.

Student Activities

- RSAC Chair Eric Ackerman and RSR Matthew Erickson discussed plans for engaging the student members (and pre-college) as summarized in the submitted report.
- After execution they plan to inform

Area 1 / Virginia Council

- No report.

Area 2 / NC Council

- Still talking with hotel regarding SoutheastCon 2010.
- Working on general workshop

Area 3

- Atlanta is working diligently on SoutheastCon 2009.

Area 4 / Florida Council

- Encouraging participation at Sections Congress.
- Developing tactical plan has been challenging with turnover in officers. Volunteers have been busy with many other priorities not related to IEEE.

Area 5 / Tennessee Council

- Reviewed Section activities

Area 6

- Keith Jadus is working in Washington, DC in the next year and looking for a replacement.

Area 7 / South Carolina Council

- John Montague submitted a report and Lee Stogner reviewed current status on Sections Congress attendance.

Area 8

- Activities have been slow over summer.

Area 9

- Devon Gayle reported that he and Wilfred Roberts (Jamaica Section Chair) will be attending Sections Congress.

David Bower reviewed his report on Public Information.

David McLaren reported on progress on Region 3 Life Member process development and plans to add linkage to the Region 3 Web Site.

With ExCom input, Director Ratcliff announced that the next ExCom meeting would be 8 September 2008 at 9 – 11pm EDT. He thanked everyone for their participation and noted that IEEE had the opportunity to significantly contribute to the member, the profession, and the common good of humanity.

Having completed its business, Director Ratcliff adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

David Green
Secretary