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Member Engagement Successes

The Power and Energy Society is becoming active following a year of inactivity. There is a joint Section/PES meeting scheduled for October 7 with a PES Distinguished Lecturer. The Section Executive Committee will be wearing IEEE T-Shirts to celebrate IEEE Day and as a way of promoting membership development. PES has also scheduled another meeting for later this year with one of their own local speakers. When this activity is reported to IEEE it will prevent PES from being declared inactive.

The VCU Student Branch has filed their Officer Report and their Student Activity Plan & Budget Report so they are revitalizing their branch. The Section has purchased t-shirts for them to celebrate IEEE Day as a membership development activity.

VSU has named a new Student Branch Counselor and the VSU Student Branch may also be in the process of becoming revitalized. The Section is in the process of helping them reorganize and file the necessary reports to receive recognition and funding from IEEE.

The WIE Chapter has not been active so far in 2010, but has announced activities for the latter part of 2010.

Member Engagement Challenges

A number of Executive Committee offices remain unfilled. Finding volunteers to serve in office is a challenge. The most critical office that has been vacant for all of 2010 is the Section Secretary position. Despite continuing efforts, we have found nobody to volunteer to fill this office. The Nominations and Appointments Chair has been having a particularly challenging time trying to fill the ballot for next year's officers with two volunteers for each position.

Attendance at section meetings may also be an issue that is somewhat related to the lack of volunteers to serve in office since it seems to be somewhat lower in 2010 vs. 2009.

Respectfully Submitted,

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