

**IEEE Florida West Coast Section Florida Council Section Report –
March, 2011**

1. Meeting Topics

- PE/IA - Grounding Seminar
- PE/IA - An overview of the North American Electrical Grid and How it Operates
- Pace – How to find your next Great Job
- PE/IA – St. Pete Times Printing plant Tour

2. Meetings Attended

- PACE National Meeting

3. Future Events

- GE Instrument Transformer Tour
- Geothermal System wave of the future
- Landfill Gas Recovery and Energy Technology
- Wireless Network Seminar
- Networking & Business Card Exchange
- Effective use of e-mail.

4. Pre-College Activities

- Participated in the “Great American Teach – In”.
- RAS chapter works closely with local HS robotic team

5. Member Involvement

- Helping out with local science fairs

6. College Student Activities

- Fall student picnic
- Senior Banquet
- SPAC

7. Challenges

- Need some of the Chapter chair to be more active/involved
- Need to use monthly newsletter to generate revenue to pay for itself

8. Recruitment

- Need to do more

9. Communication

- Cost of Signal newsletter continues to be an issue. Creates an Ad Hoc Committee to tackle this issue.
- Attempting to use email without over using it – links to electronic newsletter or use bi-monthly newsletter
- Working to get Chapter chairs to update their own part of Section web site.

10. Chapter / Affinity Group Activity

- Engineering Consultants group is meeting every month w/ a speaker.
- RAS meeting every months
- Strong Start for PACE in 2011 under new Chairman.

11. Conferences

- 2011 WAMICOM (Tampa)
- 2014 MTT Conference (Tampa)

12. Awards

- 2010 "Outstanding Engineer of the Year" award winner in the FWCS section

Florida West Coast Section Current Officers	
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