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Report of the IEEE [Charlotte Section](#)

Member Engagement

- PES has had several meetings this year to date and has plans for at least two more this year.
- Education Society has had at least one meeting this year and more are planned.
- Other Charlotte Societies have fallen behind in meeting activity and Excom is presently working with those societies to generate some activity to meet the two meeting minimum.
- CPCC Student Chapter has begun activities.
- Application for a WIE Affinity Group has been submitted and awaiting approval.
- Student Branch Chapter of IEEE Robotics and Automation has been approved at UNCC.
- The Charlotte Section has selected a nominating committee chair and a call for nominations for 2012 has been broadcast.
- The Charlotte Section is drafting a Student Chapter Support policy to guide how the section budgets and provides some additional support funds to local student chapters.
- There are plans to send out the annual required hard-copy mailing as a newsletter in September to include tidbits from Sections Congress.
- The Charlotte Section vice-chair will represent the Section at Sections Congress. Email proxy has been provided by the Section Chair.
- The Excom recently decided that when job information is received by various sources it will be posted to the Section [LinkedIn](#) page.

Section Activities Focused Outward

- PENC is coordinating a Charlotte Engineering Network to coordinate efforts of the various engineering societies (27 societies) in the Charlotte region to promote engineering to the region

including school-age youth, the media, professionals, etc. To date the group has met once and will meet again on August 18. The Charlotte Section chair has attended the meetings to date. Some of the ideas the group is working on includes K-12 outreach, education of the general public on the role of engineering, ways to communicate and coordinate across engineering societies, networking, etc. At this time member time and ideas are the only “resources” to be supplied.

- IEEE Charlotte Section has a [Linkedin](#) page.

Barriers

- It took four months for IEEE to respond to a petition for a Student Chapter of the Robotics and Automation Society even with follow-up calls and prompting. If IEEE wants to engage members, IEEE staff, region staff, and MGA need to engage too.

Present Section Officers

Section Officers

- Section Officers
 - Chair: David Wallach, david.wallach@ieee.org
 - Vice Chair: Nate Quirk
 - Secretary: Rick Moser
 - Treasurer: Fred Esenwein
- Committee Chairs:
 - Nominating Committee Chair: vacant
 - Membership Development Chair: Bill Sims
 - Program Chair: Nate Quirk
 - Newsletter Editor: Tom Weldon

Chapter Officers

- Power & Energy Society (PES)
 - Chair: Paul Ekman
 - Vice Chair: Sukumar Kamalasan
 - Secretary: vacant
 - Treasurer: vacant
- Communications Society
 - Chair: Yasin Raja
 - Vice Chair: Ron Sass
 - Secretary/Treasurer: Jim Conrad
- Computer Society
 - Chair: Simon Obeid
 - Vice Chair: Ron Sass
 - Secretary/Treasurer: vacant
- Education Society
 - Chair: Jim Conrad, jmconrad@uncc.edu
 - Vice Chair: vacant
 - Secretary/Treasurer: vacant