

# Region 3 Committee Meeting: 8-18-2011

## Richmond Section:

- Member Engagement
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## - Member Engagement

- Technical
  - Regular Monthly Section Meetings
  - PES Chapter Seminars Twice per Year
- Career
  - Section EAP Coordinator
  - 5-15 Minute Talk Every Monthly Meeting
  - Section Hosted Free Local Webcast During Regional Careers Webinar
- Social
  - Free Member Awards/Recognition Meeting in January
  - Free Member/Family Picnic in July

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## - Activities Focused Outward

- Two Active Student Branches: VCU/VSU
- IEEE Emeritbadges.org supporter
- WIE Affinity Group & Girl Scout projects & GirlsGoEngineering.org
- K-12 Activities: Powhatan Engrg Camp
- Starting New Life Member Chapter
- Member of Richmond Joint Engineer's Council engaging students & community

# Richmond Section - Barriers

- Large Geographic Area
  - Travel = time & cost barrier to meeting
- Limited Free/Low Cost Meeting Spaces
  - meeting room fees = cost barrier
- Live Electronic Meetings are too costly
  - Needed for engaging more members
  - Video/web conferencing = cost barrier
- Too Few Active Volunteers = barrier