Director-Elect Report Region 3 July 29, 2012

Since our last meeting, there was an IEEE Board meeting held in Boston. I attended from June 28 through July 2. Besides the Board meeting, there was an MGA Board meeting, training for Director-Elects and the IEEE Honors Ceremony, which I also attended. There was an IEEE-USA Awards subcommittee meeting on funding also in Boston and I participated in that, as well.

On the Member Engagement front, we will be highlighting a member engagement example from one section at each of our meetings. Since member engagement means many things, we hope these examples will serve to give you ideas which you may use or adapt in your Sections. Please let me know if you have an activity which may help other sections and I will get it on the agenda.

A draft memo is under review which I hope to get to you shortly. Along with this memo, we will provide some examples of the types of information you may extract from SAMIEEE for your section. Keep in mind, these are just examples to get you thinking about what you might mine from that database.

CALL TO ACTION: As the IEEE-USA Awards Committee Chair, I would like to encourage each of you to nominate 1 person for an IEEE-USA award. The deadline has been extended until August 31st. These are great awards for our volunteers as they focus on professional activities which may include mentoring, STEM activities, and leadership in position statements, to name a few examples. For more information, visit http://ieeeusa.org/volunteers/awards/index.html

CALL TO ACTION: There has been a fund established for support of the IEEE-USA Awards activities. Please keep in mind that by highlighting members who have set an example of leadership in professional activities, we enable others to follow in their footsteps. If you would like to contribute, the funds are collected through the IEEE Foundation http://www.ieee.org/organizations/foundation/ Be sure to specify that your donation go to the IEEE-USA Awards Fund. Thank you for considering this donation.

There was also an awards conference call on July 23rd.

July 30th, I will be attending a meeting on funding of IEEE-USA Activities and may miss the meeting. Please accept my apologies, if that happens. Travel is never predictable.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Ellen Randall Region 3 Vice Chair