

Region 3 Director Report

To: Region 3 ExCom
Cc: Region 3 Committee
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I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer and a happy IEEE Day on October 2nd. Did your unit do something special for IEEE Day? If so, please let me know. The IEEE elections are over and results are in (see http://www.ieee.org/about/corporate/election/election_results.html.)

As discussed in July, we have been working on plans for the Fall. The details will be reported as a separate agenda item but there are several initiatives and activities underway. Thanks to all on the team who have been working on them and to all who completed the survey that we used as input to the webinar process.

The Fall Newsletter is out. Newsletter editor Bill Labelle with input from his team of contributing authors has put together a very interesting and informative newsletter for the volunteers of Region 3. Thanks to all!

The call for nominations for IEEE Region 3 Awards was recently distributed by Awards Chair Charles Hickman. Please strongly consider nominating those who have been making significant contributions to IEEE. The awards can only be given to those who are nominated so this first step is exceptionally important!

The Region 3 meeting plans for the rest of the year include

- October 29 - Webinar on Succession Planning, N&A, Voting Tool
- November 5 - Webinar on Professional Activities for the Fall
- November 19 - Region 3 ExCom Teleconference
- December 3 - Region 3 Teleconference
- December 10 - Region 3 ExCom Teleconference (if needed)

All of these meetings will start at 9pm Eastern and utilize WebEx.

A couple of IEEE items from other OUs that may be of broad interest:

1. IEEE-USA now gives the section \$20 for each new member that the section brings in above its previous year baseline. Formerly, the section split this incentive with the region.
2. IEEE Finance has released a major update based on user feedback for the online NetSuite program. Training opportunities exist. Treasurer Hill has additional details. Units should be planning on including NetSuite in their workflow.

ExCom Member Action Items:

1. If you are not already a senior member, please consider applying for this member grade. Your local section and the ExCom contain members who can serve as your reference.
2. Look at the IEEE-USA Consultants Database <http://www.ieeeusa.org/business/consultants/> – there is a yearly usage charge but it may be valuable to you personally, and you should be aware of it in your discussions with other members.

Finally, I would like to invite everyone but Area/Council Chairs especially to send me information on your units for the next report to the MGA and IEEE-USA boards. I will need this input in the next week. If you have not yet filed a report for this meeting, I would suggest that it should also be included as part of the record of this meeting.

Activities since last report

- 15 August - IEEE-USA Board Meeting (teleconference)
- 17 August - Alabama Section ExCom
- 10 September - IEEE Board of Directors (teleconference)
- 19 September - IEEE-USA Board Meeting (teleconference)
- 21 September - IEEE MGA Region Treasurers Call
- 25 September - IEEE IT Advisory Committee meeting in New York, NY
- 1 October - IEEE Governance meeting in Newark, NJ
- 6 October - Area 3 Picnic (thanks for the invite, it was a nice event!)

Region 3 Addresses

R3 Web Site: <http://ewh.ieee.org/reg/3> Facebook: Search for "IEEE Region 3"

Blog: <http://ieeer3.blogspot.com> TWitter: r3ieee

Calendar: r3ieee@gmail.com (Region 3 planned meetings)

Calendar: <https://meetings.vtools.ieee.org/meetings/ical/0/90/asc/3> (all meetings in Region 3 in vTools) R3 Online

Community: <https://region3.oc.ieee.org> (uses IEEE Credentials)