Region 3 Director Report

To: Region 3 Committee Cc: Region 3 ExCom Sb: Region 3 Director Report Dt: 21 January 2013

Happy New Year. I hope 2013 is off to a good start for you. I know a number of the members of the ExCom are enduring colds and other health issues and I hope all get well soon.

The Region 3 Director-Elect/Delegate-Elect slate proposed by the ExCom has been approved by the Region 3 Committee by e-mail ballot using the asynchronous procedure in the R3 Operating Manual. The IEEE Corporate Staff in charge of organzing the election have been informed of the slate which consists of

- Jim Conrad (Charlotte Section)
- John Montague (Columbia Section)
- Gregg Vaughn (Alabama Section)

One last call... Awards Chair Charles Hickman distributed the call for nominations for IEEE Region 3 Awards. 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!

Based on feedback from Section leaders and our Finance committee, we will try extending our Spring meeting by one day by starting the meeting on Friday morning instead of 5pm on Friday. We will add training and committee meetings to in this additional time. So we will start on Friday morning, participate in the Area/Council meetings Friday evening after the conference kick off event, have additional meetings on Saturday, participate in the Awards banquet, and then complete the Region 3 Committee meeting and its business on Sunday morning (by noon) so that folks can travel home in the afternoon. We will discuss this further in the ExCom tonight. If you are unable to attend, please get your input to me as soon as possible as the program deadline is close.

As you know, we have tried to align the Region with MGA as much as practical. One area which we are mismatched is in the Information Management area that MGA has as major committee. I will be naming a group to look at this issue and provide us guidance on how to proceed. I hope to report more at the next ExCom.

For planning purposes, the following dates are the planned dates for Region 3 ExCom meetings for the rest of 2013:

- 25 February
- 1 April
- 29 April
- 3 June
- 5 August
- 9 September
- 7 October
- 2 December

They are all teleconferences and are scheduled around events that may need ExCom action before the event or follow-up after the event. Please reserve these dates on your calendars.

Thanks to all who sent in proposed goal slides. We will go over them tonight and then based on that discussion and resources, we will try to finalize things before our next ExCom. If you have other input – please submit it by the end of the week. I look forward to a productive year where we make progress improving things for the member, for IEEE, and the profession.

Activities since last report (to Region Committee)

- 14–15 December, IEEE-USA Board Meeting in Washington, DC
- 21 December, MGA Board Meeting (teleconference)
- 26 December, vTools Committee Meeting (teleconference)
- 7 January, Region 3 Officers Meeting
- 9 January, Region 3 N&A Meeting
- 10–14 January, IEEE Governance Committee, Board Retreat, MGA Retreat (Los Angeles)

Region 3 Addresses

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