

AREA 9 REPORT FOR SOUTHEASTCON 2014 - REGION 3 EXCOM

Introduction

The Jamaica Section has actively participated in Region 3 meetings and plans to continue to actively participate for the remainder of the Year as we have in past years to achieve the goals and objectives of the Section and Region 3.

Goals & Objectives:

Our objectives for this Year 2014 are as follows:

- Increasing membership attendance and participation in meetings
 - Push e-membership for existing and new members.
 - Increase involvement by Standing Committee Chairs
 - Introduction of Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Secretary officers
- Push Member Engagement in collaboration with Region 3 and MGA
- Host a successful SPAC
- Increase Student Branch attendance & participation in SoutheastCon 2014
- Participation in Regional & PACE Activities pertaining to the IEEE USA Annual Conference in 2014
- Implement succession planning for current Officers, Chapters and Standing Committee Chairs

Member Engagement Activities:

Monthly Section Meetings

Following on our Annual IEEE Jamaica Section Retreat held on Wednesday January 29, 2014 we formed a basic framework on which to organize and schedule activities for 2014.

An IEEE Jamaica Section Meeting / Presentation was held on Wednesday February 26, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Engineering Conference Room, University of Technology (UTech). The topic: "Sensor Network and its environmental impact to climate change" by Mr. Christopher Udeagha, Lecturer in SCIT, UTech. The meeting was well supported by members, potential members and guests and we hope that the increased interest leads to additional Section members.

e-Membership

Jamaica continues to be eligible for the IEEE e-membership programme.

The members were encouraged to utilize the early membership registration for 2014. Our Membership Chair, Mr. Christopher Udeagha has done a good job of continually recruiting members. We plan to send emails reminders to members who have not yet registered for this year and we will continue to focus on this membership drive during the remainder of the year to increase our numbers.

Website - IEEE Jamaica Section

Milverton Moore continues to keep the website current and provides valuable information for the Jamaica Section and Region 3. The IEEE Jamaica Section Website serves as our newsletter and the URL is as follows: <http://www.ewh.ieee.org/r3/jamaica>.

Jamaica Section Bid Proposal for SoutheastCon 2016.

The Region 3 Conference Committee, chaired by Sean Haynes has worked with IEEE Corporate to spearhead the establishment of a contract between IEEE and the Hilton Rose Hall, Jamaica. This contract has been submitted for final approval by Region 3 and IEEE Corporate.

The Section plans to have further meetings in preparation for the hosting of SouthEastCon 2016 and also to report on our plans to R3 Conference Committee.

Barriers:

The general challenge is to improve the level of participation by the Section members. However, new persons have been appointed to positions within the Excom for 2013 and it is expected that there will be increased participation over the course of the year.

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