

2014 IEEE Atlanta Section Report

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2014 Society Chapter Chairs

Aerospace and Electronic Systems/Geoscience and Remote Sensing: Kristin Bing

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Engineering in Medicine and Biology: Martha Willis

Industry Applications: Peter Anderson

Instrumentation and Measurement/Electromagnetic Compatibility: Scott Proffitt

Power and Energy: Fernando Alfaro

Power Electronics: Adolfo Ponce de Leon

Signal Processing: Alessio Medda

2014 Affinity Group Chairs

Young Professionals Program: Jenny Palmer

Life Members: Adolfo Ponce de Leon

Women in Engineering: Amy Sharma

We have had numerous meetings since the beginning of the year due in large part to our active societies and affinity groups. We had an ExCom/AdCom meeting on February 4, 2014 approving our annual budget and discussed initial plans for 2014 Sections Congress. Our next ExCom/AdCom meeting will be on March 25, 2014. Our annual banquet will be on April 23, 2014 and Dr. Todd McDevitt of the McDevitt Laboratory on Engineering Stem Cell Technologies at Georgia Tech will be our keynote speaker.

One of our main challenges remains maintaining member engagement and educating members on role of the Section. Our society chapter activities tend to be the only interaction most members have with the section. Another challenge is ensuring that we are meeting the true needs of our members at all stages of their careers. Additionally, we face the challenge of having the same core individuals active at the Section level. We are trying to find ways to get society chapter chairs to become active at the Section level.

Our goals for this year are to have more meetings in which we highlight activities of the section while providing professional development to our members. We also would like to see more joint meetings with our societies. Additionally, we would like to see more joint meetings with other professional societies/groups.