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IEEE Columbia Section 2013-2014 Chair Report

Major Accomplishments for 2013:

- · Active re-engagement of members
- · Collaborative self-assessment of the Section, involving members at all levels
- Section Leadership and Student Branches Counselors Planning session
- · Agenda for reviving Section
- Investment in membership benefits realization
- · Eight (8) technical meetings
- · One (1) tour
- · Annual dinner with families and guests, and volunteer recognition
- Community engagement and outreach leading to 2014 results

Goals for 2014:

- · A recruitment strategy for members and units
- A communications strategy for membership realization
- · A relationship management strategy for Student Branches
- A relevant and savvy professional development program
- · An engagement strategy for/with IEEE communities of practice and of service
- · Joint Sections collaborations and activities
- · An annual family event
- Major IEEE Conferences: R3 SoutheastCon, IEEE USA, and IEEE Sections Congress

Milestones for 2014:

- SC Future Cities Regional Competition sponsorship
- Two (2) joint Sections tours in collaboration
- · IEEE database updates
- A sophisticated Web presence
- mylEEE portal orientations in progress
- · Leadership training for Student Branches
- Student Branches Annual Reports
- Proposal to host "stuff you don't learn in engineering school" workshop
- Eight (8) on-the-ground technical meetings per year with 4 via WebEx
- Two (2) Career Fairs per year
- Two (2) distinguished lectures per year
- Monthly meetings with Student Branch Counselors
- Member/Volunteers honors and awards dinner
- Online elections using vTools
- Engineering Day at Carowinds theme park
- Sector and industries engagement
- Registrations for major IEEE conferences

Obstacles:

- Meeting times
- Membership realization

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