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IEEE Region 3 Director's Report - 2016-05-16

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SoutheastCon Region Meeting Topics: The informal feedback was that the format for this year's SoutheastCon Region meeting was very beneficial. People liked the selection available to them. However, it is unclear if the Region can afford to cover three nights of hotel accommodations for next year's SoutheastCon. We will likely start Friday afternoon and cover only two nights. While there will be an excellent technical development program available on Thursday, the region will not cover the hotel costs associated with you attending the technical Internet of Things workshop on Thursday.

SoutheastCon 2016 Reimbursement: Ken Pigg has provided valuable info on reimbursement on the website: <http://ewh.ieee.org/reg/3/excom/meetings/excel-expenses.html> . Please send him your expense reimbursement request ASAP.

SoutheastCon 2018: We still do not have a section/Area host or site for SoutheastCon 2018. If you are interested, please work with Tom Habetler (tom.habetler@ece.gatech.edu).

Section Elections: The biggest problem a director faces is ensuring that sections have an officer development program (to encourage volunteers to serve as officers), and then to create and follow a proper election process. I handed out a "cookbook" at SoutheastCon, and encourage section leaders to complete their plan THIS MONTH and start executing it June 1.

Finally, I have spent much time working as your director (over 350 hours in 2016 . . . so far!), including:

- Working with Area Chairs on revitalizing a struggling section
- Attending the Board of Directors meeting series to formulate strategic direction of the IEEE. I will attend another board series in June

- Participating in meetings of the Charlotte Section, the IEEE MGA Finance Committee, the IEEE Foundation Board, and the Region 3 membership Committee.
- Working with the MOVE project to help it become the centerpiece of volunteer involvement in Region 3.

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