

To: Region 3 ExCom
CC: Region 3 Committee
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The Strategic Operations and Support Committee (SOSC) met 5 August.

The committee will meet next on 7 October.

We have distributed a request for mid-year updates on committee goals to the committee chairs and their mentors. Please try to respond by the end of August. There is a dedicated Google Sheet shared with the committee chair to insert their status against previously reported goals. These goals are correlated to the [Region 3 Strategic Plan](#) Please let me know if you have questions.

We extracted Operations Manual calendars and attempted to develop a view of all the goals as well as views filtered by committee. Some items are different year-one and year-two of a director's term. There are items that each ExCom member should do as well as focused on the specific committee's responsibility. Please take a look at this calendar in [Google Sheets](#). Please add comments in the column called comments to help improve things or send me a note with your comments. Thanks in advance!

We have also received suggestions for the Operations Manual update from several committees and individuals – thanks.

We will be working to produce an update to the Region governing documents based on this input and other information.

The Strategic Operations Support Committee has assigned mentors to committees (and functions) for 2019:

- Awards and Recognition Committee - Jill Gostin
- Member Activities Committee - Bill Ratcliff
- Conference Committee - Jim Conrad
- Finance Committee - Dave Green
- Section Support Committee - Mary Ellen Randall and Bill Ratcliff
- Professional Activities Committee - Lee Stogner

- Student Activities Committee - Pat Donohoe
- Membership Function: Lee Stogner and Jim Howard
- Area Chair Function: Jim Howard and Bill Ratcliff

Please keep the volunteer mentors in the loop and make use of their corporate memory and experience.

We look forward to working with and helping the rest of the Region 3 Volunteers move things in the established direction.

Finally, congratulations to the Huntsville Section and its committee that organized the recognition of The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH) and celebration of an IEEE Milestone for “Discovery of Superconductivity at 93 Kelvin in Yttrium Barium Copper Oxide.”