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Updated: The Area / Council Meeting that was supposed to take place during Southeastcon is in the process of being rescheduled.

In addition to the stated Goals and Objectives, we will also discuss and plan for Career issues that are being driven by Washington and the Economy. Our Goal is to work together as a Council and provide the Network that can support the loss of jobs that has already begun and to protect our Members from unfair international competition.

IEEE R3 Area 7 South Carolina Council Report for February 17, 2020

SECTIONS in Area 7

1. Coastal South Carolina
2. Columbia Section
3. Central Savannah River Section
4. Piedmont Section

Area 7 Goals and Objectives, including proposed initiatives and projects for 2020 – Response from Sections is Pending

- **Goals –**
 - To improve the Section-Region relationship in support of IEEE
 - To improve the robustness of each Section's organizational structure
 - To improve the Member-IEEE Value relationship—it's a partnership
 - To improve Member Retention and Recruitment for each Section
 - To improve member engagement within each Section (Note: each new OU adds 4+ engaged member-volunteers, which builds an experience pipeline)
 - To improve member grade elevation (all scenarios, Associate/Affiliate, Member, Senior, Fellow, while Life Member happens)
- **Objectives –**
 - Offer each Section focused support in matters not effectively addressed by IEEE or Region
 - Determine, by request/survey, those issues in need of support for each Section

- Engage Section chairs or their delegate(s) in Region Meetings
- Assist Sections in filing timely Region reports
- Assist Sections in adding Organizational Units (OU)s, including Technical Society Chapters, Affinity Groups and Student Branches, where possible
- Hold a regular (monthly/bi-monthly/quarterly) Area-Section conference call
- Maintain regular personal outreach to Section chairs (by telephone and email)

Plans for the Year

- **To visit each Section/Section Chair/Section Officers at least once per quarter (4 visits per Section)**

- To demonstrate the value of an Area Chair and to add a resource for the Sections
- To visit each Section chair
- To attend a Section meeting
- To be available for a Section WebEx/meeting for each
- To set up an all-Sections WebEx for information exchange
- To identify issues that impede effective organizations and to practice and share those items that enhance organizations
- To build the South Carolina IEEE Network
- To access the career needs of South Carolina IEEE Members
- To provide linkage between South Carolina IEEE Members and South Carolina companies, organizations, state agencies and others that impact the careers of our Council Members.
- To provide visibility across South Carolina for the IEEE

IEEE Region 3, Area 7, South Carolina Council

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