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Director's Report

To: Region 3 ExCom

Subject: Region 3 Director's Report

Date: 18 May 2020

I hope many of you are participating in our WebEx meetings covering the training that would have happened at SoutheastCon! In June we will start WebEx's on the New Event breakout sessions we missed. Be watching for more information about that. Remember, our "New Event" challenge for 2020 is still on!

Thank you for voting on our Sections Congress recommendations! Kristin Bing, our Sections Congress Coordinator, will present the selected / submitted recommendations at our meeting. NOTE: At this point, Sections Congress is still on schedule, however, do not book any Sections Congress flights yet. **IEEE has asked that no air travel be booked at this time.** Once that restriction is lifted, many of you may be able to use your SoutheastCon air travel credit towards your Sections Congress flight.

We did provide everyone access to the IEEE and IEEE-USA President-Elect Candidate presentations. No questions were submitted for the candidates; I let the candidates know that we had no questions.

In late April, I gave a virtual talk to the Piedmont Section WIE group. It was titled "Women in STEM Careers: Challenges and Opportunities." Additionally, I forwarded to you information about the new Virtual Speakers Bureau, for students. I hope some of you will consider submitting your name as a potential speaker!

I've asked a few of our ExCom members to look into the possibility of sharing some of the recorded technical presentations from the virtual SoutheastCon. I'm hoping we have the permission and capability to share those recordings with the Sections, so you can use them for a virtual meeting. Standby for more information, as this committee figures out if/how this might be possible.

Collabratec has started a new Badging "game", where you are challenged to find information – it's open to all, and there is no cost. Region 3's first badge was won in April – in the Miami Section, won by Dr. Elodie Billionniere. Congratulations to the Miami Section and Dr. Billionniere! I hope some other individuals and Sections will join the hunt! Here's some info (and note that 2 more badges will be added in 2020):

IEEE Discover Badge Now Available on IEEE Collabratec®

Where will the challenge lead you? IEEE has launched the IEEE Badge Challenge – IEEE Discover Badge is the first in a series of online, interactive journeys recognizing discovery and participation

that introduces individuals to the support and resources available from IEEE. The challenge will be hosted on IEEE Collabratec, the organization's community and collaboration platform. Participation is open to all, at no cost, with special benefits for IEEE Members who participate. Beyond individual achievement, the badge challenge will recognize IEEE Sections whose Members are successful in completing the badge journeys.

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Respectfully submitted,
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ExCom and Committee Meetings, 2020 (typically the meetings will be on the third Monday of the month at 8:00 pm Eastern):

ExCom telecon: May 18
ExCom telecon: June 15
ExCom telecon: July 20
R3 Committee Business Meeting: Meeting will occur Friday morning at Sections Congress
ExCom telecon: Sept 21
ExCom telecon: Oct 19
ExCom telecon: Nov 16
ExCom telecon: Dec 21 (this may change to an R3 Committee telecon, if needed)

My IEEE commitments:

Region 3 Director/Delegate – therefore on the Boards of Directors of IEEE, MGA, and IEEE-USA (2020-2021)
Member, Employee Benefits and Compensation Committee (2020-2022)
Chair, Joint TAB/MGA AdHoc on Improving Chapter Support (2019-2020)
Member, IEEE Lifelong Learning AdHoc
Member, Future Directions Committee (2019-2020)
Member, TAB Finance Committee (2019-2020)
Ombudsman, IEEE Computer Society (2020)

Chair, Computer Society Merwin Award Committee

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