

# IEEE R3 Area 4 Report – February 2021

To: Region 3 ExCom  
CC: Region 3 Committee  
Fr: Claude Pitts, Chair Florida Council (Area 4)  
Date: 15 February 2021

Macaulay Osaisai, Vice-Chair Florida Council will hold my proxy for the February R3 Excom meeting.

## SECTIONS in Area 4

Broward	Canaveral	Daytona	Florida West Coast
Gainesville	Jacksonville	Melbourne	Miami
Northwest Florida	Orlando	Palm Beach	Tallahassee

The Florida Council held a meeting Saturday February 6 and confirmed that it cannot support the current motions before R3 Excom modifying the Areas. We did discuss that it was respectfully requested that a minor modification to these motions to leave all of the current Sections members of the Florida Council intact and in the same area- as we believe it is in the best interest of the Current Area 4 Sections and members. However, it has been made very clear this request is unacceptable. We did review the R3 Excom minutes as well as published committee reports and cannot find support for the stated R3 leadership position that this issue has been discussed “for many years”. Unfortunately those discussions must have been with a select few and well-guarded- outside of a an inconclusive report, nothing has been openly presented, and documented or openly communicated until the Ad Hoc report in November 2020. Again the consensus of the Sections in the current Area 4 cannot support the current motions before R3 Excom. The Section Chairs were encouraged to attend the R3 Excom Monday February 15<sup>th</sup> and IF asked, since they are not voting members of R3 Excom, voice their opinion.

The next Area 4 meeting will be virtual as a of scheduled meetings at SoutheastCon.

As Area 4 Representative I must vote **no**, for the reasons stated, on the motions as presented in the email dated 16 Jan 2021- Notice of Bylaw Changing Motions for 25 Jan 2021 Excom Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Claude Pitts  
Area 4 Representative