

Director's Report
To: Region 3 ExCom, R3 Committee, R3 SOSC
Subject: Region 3 Director's Report
Date: 15 February 2021

*Next Region 3 ExCom webex will be **19 April 2021**, 8-10 pm eastern
Next Region 3 Committee meeting is 14 March 2021 (with additional content on 13 March)*

Happy February! Time seems to be flying by. My 2 years as your Region Director have so far been very different than what I expected. I am greatly saddened that we have had to have two SoutheastCons without being together, but am so thankful for the technology and the volunteers that have helped us to meet virtually. Thank you to everyone – especially the SoutheastCon teams and the Sections Support Committee – for your hard work!

Our SoutheastCon meetings are currently planned for March 13 9:00am-4:00pm, and March 14, 1:30-6:00. Please note that these times may change slightly, but are close to final. A draft of the agenda is included at the end of this report. **Section Chairs – you will be asked to present 1 slide in 2 minutes or less, showing your greatest 2020 successes, greatest 2020 challenge, and top 2021 goal.** We are waiting for the Atlanta SoutheastCon Committee to provide us the WebEx information; as soon as it is available, you will receive an invitation. There will not be any registration fee required.

Many of you may recall that last month we delayed the planned vote on the changes to the governing documents. At last month's ExCom, the changes were discussed, but because there was an issue with the distribution of the documents in advance, we decided to delay the votes (2 motions) until this month's meeting. The documents have been distributed to all ExCom and Committee members. Please make sure you have reviewed the changes. Dave Green will present a brief summary before the motions. **If you are a voting member of the Region ExCom (Region Officers, committee chairs, Area Chairs), please make a point to attend this important meeting.**

Some of you may be aware that IEEE MGA has been discussing a realignment of the Regions across the world. There are 10 Regions spanning the world. Because the sizes of the regions have changed quite a bit over the last several years, it has been proposed to modify the largest two regions (Regions 10 and 8, essentially the eastern hemisphere) to become four regions. Simultaneously, the smaller regions which are for the most part not increasing in membership (Regions 1-6, 7, and 9, the western hemisphere) have been discussing how to realign to become only 6 regions. The discussions have been on-going for the last few years, but we are getting closer to a consensus. The hope is that a plan will be approved this year. I wanted you to be aware that the regions will be changing, but the Sections will NOT be changing. It is expected that once a realignment plan is approved, it will take about 5 years to implement it. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know (jgostin@ieee.org).

Let's work together to make 2021 a great year for our Region!

Respectfully submitted,
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ExCom and Committee Meetings, 2021 (typically the meetings will be on the third Monday of the month at 8:00 pm Eastern):

- ExCom WebEx: February 15, 2021
- R3 Committee Meeting WebEx (SoutheastCon): March 14, 2021 (training/info content on March 13)
- ExCom WebEx: April 19, 2021
- ExCom WebEx: May 17, 2021
- ExCom WebEx: June 21, 2021
- ExCom WebEx: July 19, 2021
- ExCom WebEx: August 16, 2021
- ExCom WebEx: September 20, 2021
- ExCom WebEx: October 18, 2021
- ExCom WebEx: November 15, 2021
- ExCom WebEx: December 20, 2021

DRAFT AGENDA

SoutheastCon 2021 Region 3 Committee Program			
Sat, Mar 13	Duration (min)	Title	Presenter
09:00 AM	15	Welcome and Introductions	Gostin
09:15 AM	15	Pandemic and it's effect on IEEE Events	Gostin
09:30 AM	20	Proposed Area Chair Changes	Gostin
09:50 AM	20	NextGen Accounting	M E Randall
10:10 AM	20	Break	
10:30 AM	60	IEEE President-Elect Candidates	Brunasso
11:30 AM	25	IEEE-USA Pres-Elect Candidates	Conrad
11:55 AM	10	Awards and Recognition Committee	Nelson
12:05 PM	90	Break	
01:35 PM	10	Member Communications Committee	Dillard
01:45 PM	10	Conference Committee SECon & Virtual Conferences	Grigorian
01:55 PM	20	Section Support Committee	Marshall
02:15 PM	10	Professional Activities Committee	Cunningham
02:25 PM	10	Strategic Operations and Support Committee	Green
02:35 PM	10	Student Activities Committee	Heyman
02:45 PM	10	Operational Audit Committee	Harrison
02:55 PM	20	Humanitarian Activities	TBD
03:15 PM	10	MOVE Report for 2020	M E Randall
03:25 PM	10	Pandemic Projects Report	G. Randall
Sun, Mar 14			
01:30 PM	20	HKN Induction	Conrad
01:50 PM	5	Call to Order, Approval of Agenda	Gostin
01:55 PM	20	Officer Reports	Officers
02:15 PM	30	Region 3 Dir-Elect Candidates	Vaughn
02:45 PM	100	Section Chairs report*	Section Chairs
04:25 PM	45	Action Items	Gostin
05:10 PM	30	Discussion Items	Gostin
*Section Reports			
	1.	One slide	
	2.	Greatest 2020 success	
	3.	Greatest 2020 challenge	
	4.	Top 2021 Goal	
	5.	2 minutes maximum	