

To: Region 3 ExCom
Cc: Region 3 Committee
Fm: David Green, R3 SOSC Chair
Sb: Strategic Operations and Support Committee Report
Dt: 15 November 2021

The Strategic Operations and Support Committee (SOSC) had its most recent meeting on 1 November 2021.

The SOSC discussed and approved three action items:

1. Endorsed an updated Area Chair Responsibilities presented by Theresa Brunasso
2. Endorsed a new PA Process and supports a \$15,000 funding recommendation
3. Endorsed changes to the Region 3 Operations Manual with calendar updates including changes to
 - a. Update Area Chair Responsibilities as noted above
 - b. Update Professional Activities due to discontinued IEEE-USA funding/reporting as noted above
 - c. Note that R3 Director handles Director's Award
 - d. Note that SOSC Mentors are SOSC members, not always Past Directors
 - e. Include references to <https://r3.ieee.org> for checklists and other information
 - f. Define R3 N&A to be the required MGA Nominating Committee with additional R3 responsibilities
 - g. Include Minor cleanups

A motion to approve these changes is on the ExCom agenda.

The committee received reports:

1. Bill Ratcliff presented Ad Hoc on Diversity, Inclusion, Equity Committee update
2. Bill Harrison presented OAC's N&A Committee Audit. The N&A Chair reported concurrence with the recommendations. The SOSC endorsed the report and its recommendations.
3. Bill Harrison discussed OAC's Conference Committee Audit.

As always, please note the SOSC supplied mentors are

- Awards and Recognition Committee - Gregg Vaughn
- Member Communications Committee - Bill Ratcliff
- Conference Committee - Jim Conrad
- Finance Committee - Dave Green
- Section Support Committee - Mary Ellen Randall and Bill Ratcliff
- Professional Activities Committee - Theresa Brunasso
- Student Activities Committee - Pat Donohoe
- Membership Recruitment/Retention Function - Lee Stogner
- Area Chairs - Theresa Brunasso

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

The next meeting of the SOSC will be on 03 December 2021.