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Issues requiring action by the Region 3 Committee or ExCom

None at this time.

Successes/Opportunities for Engaging the member, volunteer, non-member, public

- Sets of the children's books "Rosie Revere, Engineer," "Ada Twist, Scientist," along with the two accompanying workbooks were distributed to 30 of the elementary schools in the Richmond Section that struggle the most in the areas of math and science. Now that we have begun to establish a relationship with faculty at these schools, we hope to explore ways that we can help them more.
- IEEE will be assisting Virginia Commonwealth University, the Richmond City Public Schools, and Bank of America by providing advice and mentors for a summer Data Science Challenge for Richmond City Schools high school students.

Notable section activities (positive and negative)

- The Richmond Section elected officers for the 2022 calendar year. The officers are Chair – Allen Jones, Vice-Chair – Shellie Lundquist, Secretary – Jamie Imanian, Treasurer, Marian Do. Thank you to Dale Herdegen for running the election.
- The VCU Student Branch elected new officers. The officers are Chair – Anna Phillips, Vice Chair – Patrick Marshall, Secretary – Binyam Wodajo, Treasurer – Pedram Zanganeh Soroush. The VCU Student Branch grew significantly last year under last year's leadership and its new Student Branch Counselor, Dr. Patrick Martin. We look forward to working with the new officers.
- The annual Celebrate Engineering Ingenuity Day event (a STEM outreach event for pre-University students hosted by the engineering professional societies in the Richmond area) is being moved back 2 months to April due to the pandemic.
- The Richmond Section (through the IAS and PES Chapters) in conjunction with the Hampton Roads Section is hoping to host a trip later this year to see part of the construction of a 2.6 GW wind farm that Dominion Energy is building 27 miles off the coast of Virginia.

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