Happy National Engineers' Week to our US members! I spent much of this past week in IEEE Board meetings. IEEE membership seems to be slowly recovering from the effects of the pandemic. Year-over-year membership growth increased from 3.4% last month to 3.5%. Unfortunately, overall U.S. membership is still down because of multi-year declines. You can get detailed information on IEEE statistics from the MGA website.

We will be celebrating IEEE Education week from April 4-8 2022. The celebration will include live and virtual events, educational resources, courses, websites, and scholarships. All IEEE groups are invited to share their educational content on the website: educationweek.ieee.org

We seem to finally be making some progress on Region Realignment. The realignment will reduce the number of US Regions from six to five. No Section boundaries or funds will be affected, and the realignment will take several years to complete.

I'm looking forward to SoutheastCon 2022, and I hope to see you there!

Stay warm, stay healthy, and as always, thanks for all you do for IEEE.

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