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## IEEE Region 3 Director's Report – Jim Conrad

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**SoutheastCon Region Meeting Topics:** The document provided in an earlier email lists the topics that will be covered during the SoutheastCon 2016 Region meeting. You will have a choice of three to four sessions every hour to help you work better as a volunteer. The schedule is also posted at <a href="https://www.xcdsystem.com/SoutheastCon/program/index.cfm">https://www.xcdsystem.com/SoutheastCon/program/index.cfm</a>. Please remember that if the Region is covering your travel (ExCom and Section representatives), you are expected to attend all of the Region sessions (and not the Technical Papers sessions).

SoutheastCon 2016 Reimbursement: I have fielded many questions on reimbursement. Ken Pigg has provided valuable info on reimbursement in his report, and on the website: <a href="http://wwh.ieee.org/reg/3/excom/meetings/excel-expenses.html">http://wwh.ieee.org/reg/3/excom/meetings/excel-expenses.html</a>. Of course, you will be reimbursed after the conference when you submit your expenses. As always, please be very careful with the region's money - we have a very tight budget this year!

- Meals will be reimbursed for Thursday dinner and Sunday lunch. Note that the conference fee will cover all meals on Friday and Saturday; and also Sunday breakfast. If you are attending the Thursday MOVE training (1-5pm), the region will also reimburse you for your Thursday lunch.
- We will not reimburse you for your tour of the USS Wisconsin.

**SoutheastCon 2016 Business Meeting:** Our annual Region meeting is Sunday, April 3, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. If you have business you need to have done at the meeting, or wish to make a presentation, please contact me (<u>jmconrad@uncc.edu</u>) by Monday, March 28.

**SoutheastCon 2018:** We still do not have a section/Area host or site for SoutheastCon 2018. If you are interested, please work with Tom Habetler (<u>tom.habetler@ece.gatech.edu</u>).

Finally, I have spent much time working as your director over the last month (over 225 hours in 2016 . . . so far!), including:

- Attending the Board of Directors meeting series to formulate strategic direction of the IEEE
- Participating in meetings of the Charlotte Section, the IEEE MGA Finance Committee, the IEEE Foundation Board, and the Region 3 membership Committee.
- Working with the MOVE project to help it become the centerpiece of volunteer involvement in Region 3 (and I became a truck driver!).

I look forward to seeing you at SoutheastCon 2016 in Norfolk!

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