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The Region 3 Planning Retreat was held 9 December 2017 in Atlanta during a snow event in Atlanta. I helped Director-Elect Vaughn with meeting preparations as part of the SPC activities. I expect that results of the meeting will be presented during the ExCom meeting.

The committee will be slightly transformed and renamed (to Strategic Operations Support Committee) in 2018. I am pleased to report that Bill Ratcliff has agreed to continue to serve as Vice Chair of the Committee.

The Region 3 N&A has worked with Director-Elect Vaughn to identify individuals for next year's ExCom. I expect Director-Elect Vaughn to report the names of next years committee chairs as part of his report to this meeting. We will be working with him to complete the staffing. Thanks to everyone who made recommendations.

It has been a pleasure to work with Director Jim Conrad and his team this year. I think there have been many successes including revising the structure of the region, renewed discussion of the area function, SoutheastCon, Sections Congress, and a strong focus on the member through MELC. This is an incomplete list and other reports can be mined for additional 2017 successes.

Thanks to the members of the Region 3 SPC. Your experience and mentoring continues to be one of the Region's valuable assets.

Thanks also to Past Director Mary Ellen Randall who served as IEEE VP for Member and Geographic Activities but found time to participate in many IEEE R3 activities and committees as well as the MOVE Project. Thanks to Region 3 Secretary Chase Battaglio who ensures documentation of our activities -- often a challenging task. Finally, thanks to the Region 3 ExCom and Region 3 Volunteers who have served this year to improve things for our members, the profession and the public. I am looking forward to working with each of you in 2018.

Happy holidays!