

Director's Report

To: Region 3 ExCom, R3 Committee, R3 SOSC

Subject: Region 3 Director's Report

Date: 16 November 2020

*Next Region 3 ExCom webex may be 21 December, 8-10 pm eastern*

*Next Region 3 Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for 14 March 2021 (with SoutheastCon content on 13 March)*

Many elections within Councils, Sections, and Chapters are now wrapping up, and I look forward to working with returning and new officers in 2021! When your Election is complete, don't forget to update your officers in vTools (<https://officers.vtools.ieee.org/>), and include an End Date for any officers whose terms are ending. Thank you to all of you for your service in 2020; our Region is successful because of your efforts!

At the ExCom meeting on Monday, we will have a presentation and Motion from John Balsam, Treasurer and FinCom Chair, on our 2021 budget. It is important that our ExCom members attend for that important voted! We will then have a presentation from Eric Grigorian, our Conference Committee Chair, about his committee's activities. We'll also have brief updates from SoutheastCon 2020 and SoutheastCon 2021. An updated list of volunteers for 2021 is included in the Consent Agenda. Changes are highlighted in yellow. One new Committee Chair, which is an ExCom voting position, was approved by the N&A Committee. Two committee member positions remain open, pending input from the Committee Chair.

At last month's ExCom meeting, Sonya Dillard, our Member Communications Chair, told us about a new monthly eNotice that would be used to notify members across the Region about meetings they may be interested in attending. I hope you all received that eNotice, that included many options for meetings you may want to attend! Be watching for the next monthly eNotice.

As you may remember, we committed to having SoutheastCon 2024 in Atlanta, in order to avoid high cancellation costs from our decision to hold SoutheastCon 2021 virtually. The new contract with the hotel has finally been fully negotiated and has been signed. We will be paying the hotel just over \$21k by the end of November. That money will be a down payment on the costs we will incur in 2024.

Thank you again for all that you do; it's inspiring to see the number and commitment of volunteers across IEEE. I am honored to be a part of such a great organization!

Respectfully submitted,

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ExCom and Committee Meetings, 2020 (typically the meetings will be on the third Monday of the month at 8:00 pm Eastern):

ExCom telecon: Nov 16

ExCom telecon: Dec 21

First 2021 ExCom telecon: January 25, 2021 (4<sup>th</sup> Monday, to avoid Martin Luther King Holiday)

