

## IEEE R3 Melbourne Section Report for May 17, 2021 R3 EXCOM Mtg

- **Issues requiring action by the Region 3 Committee or ExCom**
  - No new issues
- **Success/Opportunities for Engaging the member, volunteer, non-member, public**
  - Our next Section Newsletter, the IEEE Melbourne Section Space Coast Signal, was sent to the membership at the beginning of May 2021 and updated in anticipation of our Section meeting for May 19<sup>th</sup>. Our next newsletter will be published by the end of June 2021 prior to our section meeting scheduled for July 21<sup>st</sup>
  - Our Section meetings are currently scheduled for odd months on the third Wednesday of the month. Our next Section meeting as noted above
  - We have held several phone conferences & several working meetings with the Pandemic Project team and have laid out a strategy for completing this project by end of May 2021.
  - Several PES Group presentations are currently scheduled or in the works. We have been impressed with the scheduled calendar of presentations from the Seattle Section and have been promoting and participating on an individual basis
  - The Pandemic Project Committee decided to make a shift in the strategy for the project trajectory. With the lack of response from our membership and community, we have decided to distribute Pandemic Care Kits to organizations like Daily Bread and Veterans Organizations. These kits will contain key personal care items like soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, hair brush, etc. At the date of this report, the backpacks are assembled and ready for delivery.
  - Due to the current COVID-19 situation, our section meetings are attended by an average of 15 members on site and 5 via virtual means
  - We have scheduled two speakers for our next meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup>. A certified financial expert will be answering our related questions and concerns and a representative from the Brevard County School District will share their plans for science projects in the upcoming school year.
- **Notable section activities (Positive and Negative)**
  - Our schedule thus far is as follows for the balance of the year and our Awards Banquet for 2021 venue is already reserved:

May 20 - 31 Pandemic Project Completion	July 19 - Section Meeting
June TBD- Section Social	Awards Banquet - December 11

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