Director's Report To: R3 ExCom, R3 Committee, R3 SOSC Subject: Region 3 Director's Report Date: 20 September 2021

Region 3 Committee meeting is 3 April 2022 (with additional content on 1-2 April) Upcoming Region 3 ExCom Webex will be 20 September 2021, 8-10 pm eastern

I hope you all took the time to read our Region 3 newsletter! Most of what I would report here is included there – if you haven't read it yet, please go to <u>https://r3.ieee.org/newsletters/</u> to read newsletter Volume 35-No.3. This is the final newsletter of the year, and my final newsletter as Director.

A few additional comments – don't forget that IEEE Day is October 5. If you don't have activities going on in your own Section, check out vTools or ieeeday.org for potential other events you can join!

On September 11, I held a meeting with the committee chairs. The purpose was to clarify the roles of the committees, and to make sure we are providing the Chair of each committee with the information they need to know as they take on the role of Chair. It was a very productive meeting, and I want to thank each committee chair for their service leading their committee and for their valuable input at this meeting! We will be making some updates to the operations manual and to committee documents based on the discussions from the meeting.

At last month's ExCom meeting, we approved some changes to the Awards Manual. We also approved moving forward with recommended changes to some awards, which are now following the MGA approval process for awards. I'll let you know if/when those get approved!

Section officers – I will be submitting a Region report for the November Board series, which will be held as a virtual meeting series. I'd like to highlight some achievements of our Sections – if you have something you'd like me to share, please send me the information! Also, don't forget to make use of your Area Chair or the Region 3 committee chairs if you have questions or need help. What challenges are you facing? What successes have you had? Let's share best practices and work together to keep moving forward. Don't forget to be thinking of new ideas and new events! That is how you will pull in people that haven't participated recently (or ever)!

Thank you for your contributions to our Region!

Respectfully submitted, Jill I. Gostin, Region 3 Director/Delegate 2020-2021 jgostin@ieee.org

ExCom and Committee Meetings, 2021 (typically the meetings will be on the third Monday of the month at 8:00 pm Eastern):

ExCom WebEx: September 20, 2021 ExCom WebEx: October 18, 2021 ExCom WebEx: November 15, 2021 ExCom WebEx: December 20, 2021