

Past Director's Report to Region 3 Committee
To: R3 ExCom, R3 Committee, R3 SOSC
Subject: Region 3 Past Director's Report
Date: 16 April 2023

I hope you have all enjoyed your time in Orlando at SoutheastCon2023, and have taken advantage of the time to meet and learn from others. It has been great seeing you!

Since my last report to the R3 Committee, we approved and submitted our candidates for Region 3 Director-Elect 2024-2025. Sonya Dillard and Pat Donohoe will be on the IEEE election ballot later this year. Thank you to both of them for being willing to run for this important position, and I'm looking forward to hearing from them at SoutheastCon.

In my role as Region 3 Nominations and Appointments chair, I will be working with Director-Elect Grigorian to determine his needs and plans for the Region 3 volunteer positions in 2024-2025. Be watching for more information about filling the positions for those years.

A change to our ExCom was made since my last report to the Region 3 Committee, effective after SoutheastCon. This change was approved by the ExCom at the January meeting. Nelson Lourenco, our Awards and Recognitions Committee (ARC) Chair, let us know that he needs to step down from the role after SoutheastCon 2023. To that end, the N&A committee solicited names of those interested in the position, met and reviewed the multiple submitted names, and made a recommendation to Director Brunasso. Carlos Cabrera was selected as the ARC Chair beginning 1 week after SoutheastCon 2023, and continuing through 1 week after SoutheastCon 2024 (unless selected to continue in the position beyond that time by Director-Elect Grigorian). Many thanks to Nelson for his years of serving as our ARC Chair, and the excellent work he has done with the awards program, the awards manual, and getting new awards approved! Carlos has worked closely with Nelson to prepare for taking on the role. Many of you are familiar with Carlos from his many years of service within the Region, including on the ARC. Carlos, thank you for being willing to take on this important role!

Finally, I want to remind you to mark your calendars for Sections Congress 2023 in Ottawa, Canada, 11-13 August. Sections Congress is an exciting meeting and a great opportunity to meet other volunteers from around the world, to learn best practices, to find new ideas for re-invigorating your Section, and to hear from and ask questions of highly experienced IEEE leaders. I am looking forward to attending Sections Congress 2023 and to seeing the impact it has on our volunteers – especially the first-time attendees!

Respectfully submitted,
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