Strategic Operations and Support Committee

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From the Ops Manual - V.9 Strategic Operations and Support

The Strategic Operations and Support Committee (SOSC) shall assist in Region 3 Activities of a strategic nature.

detailed list in R3 Operations Manual on R3 Website

Membership Addition

The Director may appoint former senior IEEE volunteers who presently reside in Region 3 and are willing to serve to enhance the committee.

For 2024-5, Director Grigorian has appointed Vince Socci, 2014-5 R1 Director, who now works and resides in Florida.

Calendar of Activities

From Ops Manual (similar links for each committee)

The calendar for the high-level activities of the Strategic Operations and Support Committee is online (even year) and (odd year).

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Recent Activities

➢ Assist in R3 Planning leading to 2024-5 Strategic Plan approved in January ExCom

➢ Operations Manual Updates

➢ R3 DEI & Ethics Statement (now on R3 Web Site's Home Page)

➢ Shepherding of establishment IEEE R3 James Graham Cybersecurity Scholarship (now part of R3 Awards activity)

➢ Update of R3 Calendars for ExCom, Region Committee & R3 Committees

➢ Refinement of R3 Professional Activities with IEEE-USA no longer supporting this activity

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IEEE Region 3 Strategic Plan 2024

URL: https://r3.ieee.org/about

Our Mission

Focus on the growth and development of the member throughout the life cycle of the individual. Every member is an active participant, an informed and a satisfied member.

Our Vision

The Region shall fulfill the Member and Geographic Activities (MGA) strategic objectives at the local level by ensuring the enabling of the Sections, Chapters, Affinity groups, Student Branches, and Student Branch Chapters to engage the member.

Theme

Your Professional Home in Region 3.

1. Support all Sections in holding and reporting at least 5 Section meetings, and 2 meetings for each Chapter and Affinity Group.

2. Provide all Sections the training and support they need.

3. Ensure Section operations are timely (reports, officers, website, elections) and that all sections use the new vTools-based election process.

4. Assist Sections to develop and maintain a sustainment plan.

5. Ensure Sections engage with their Student Branches and Branch Counselors at least quarterly.

6. Develop and build out the industry engagement activities.

7. Provide engaging and surplus-generating SoutheastCon and other Region 3 sponsored conferences in 2024-2025 and plan for similar success in 2026-2028.

8. Engage members through new events and (micro-)volunteering opportunities.

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Present Activities

➢ Generally, meet monthly

➢ Issues brought to the committee by R3 officers

➢ Improve the documentation related to the roles of coordinators, committee chairs, and committee members

➢ Track, nudge, work on, and report progress against R3 Strategic Plan

➢ Provide Director support on issues impacting the Region, IEEE, and its volunteers and members

➢ Serve as mentors as needed throughout R3

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SOSC assigns mentors to each R3 Committee

❖ Mentors have a service record with R3 and IEEE

❖ Mentors have contacts with both other volunteers and staff

❖ Mentors have experience

❖ Mentors have volunteered to mentor specific committees

❖ Mentors can be helpful

❖ Mentors want IEEE Region 3 to be of value to members and professional community

❖ Mentors are not the Committee Chair nor Vice Chair

❖ Mentors are not the decision-makers

❖ A particular person may not be a good match for a particular committee chair – provide feedback

Mentors are assigned to each Region 3 Committee.

❖ Awards and Recognition Committee - Gregg Vaughn

❖ Member Communications Committee – Sonya Dillard

❖ Conference Committee - Jim Conrad

❖ Finance Committee – Mary Ellen Randall

❖ Section Support Committee – Jill Gostin and Bill Ratcliff

❖ Professional Activities Committee - Theresa Brunasso

❖ Student Activities Committee - Pat Donohoe

❖ Area Chairs – Sonya Dillard

❖ Industry Engagement – Vince Socci

Thank you!

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