

To: Region 3 ExCom
From: Sonya Dillard, Region 3 Director-Elect
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Region 3 Members,

The month Of March has indeed been a whirlwind. I have been doing ambassador activities for the IEEE in many capacities. As R3 Director-Elect, I completed my mandatory training courses that will ensure proper guidance, ethics, and protocol. So now I am officially certified in all capacities. I also participated in several committee meetings and coordinated the IEEE R3 SOSC Dinner at the SoutheastCon on Friday night, 3/22/2024. The dinner was successful as always, and everyone enjoyed the food and socialization.

As the Chair for the R3 Area Chairs monthly meeting, the focus this month was to identify the Sections that are struggling with vitality in each Area. The goal is to personally contact officers in those few Sections in the Region to find out their specific needs and how we can get them back fully engaged as vital Sections of R3. It was also stressed that all Sections should have their officers updated in vTools, and going forward it will be necessary for ALL Sections to hold their annual elections via vTools. Once all Sections have mastered using the online system, they will be happy to be onboard. Change is inevitable, so let's all just embrace it and move forward.

I also attended the following committee meetings this month: R3 Financial Committee Meeting (FinCom), R3 Strategic Operations and Support Committee (SOSC) meeting, IEEE Conference Committee (3 separate meetings preparing for the SoutheastCon 2024), and the R1 – R6 Forum.

On April 5 – 8, I will be attending the Region 5 Meeting in Springdale, Arkansas to represent Region 3 to collaborate with them, and sit as a guest on their WIE Technical Panel.

Looking forward to seeing you virtually on our April Monthly R3 ExCom Meeting.

Sincerely serving YOU!
Sonya Dillard