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# Director-Elect Report

Region 2 Winter Meeting

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# Introduction

- In serving as Director-Elect, I am exposed to all aspects of the Institute.
  - Member and Geographic Activities (MGA)
  - IEEE USA
  - Technical Activities Board (TAB)
  - Educational Activities Board (EAB)
  - Standards Association (SA)
  - IEEE Staff – Piscataway
  - IEEE Finance Committee
  - Board of Directors
- In 2008, continue to promote the use of IEEE resources to enhance our Sections' abilities to serve our membership, and recognize the value of the Sections and their Volunteers in our Communities.

# Agenda

- Region 2 Audit - 2007
- Current Committees/Activities
- WIE Conference
- View of Region
- Looking Ahead...

# Region 2 Audit - 2007

- Audit Committee:
  - Bill Walsh, Chair
  - Buzz Cerino, Assistant Treasurer
- All financial records are scanned into computer for an electronic record – this was first year to do this.
- Objectives of Audit was to see accuracy, completeness, and traceability of financial processes
- Each of us requested a random set of records in which to analyze against objectives (total of over 20% of 2007 financial records).
- Only one record required clarification due to lost receipt...receipt had been acknowledged by Treasurer, but did not get successfully scanned.

# Region 2 Audit - 2007

- Audit was extremely successful!!
  - Credit to Treasurer Vil Arafiles
  - Treasury is well organized
  - Process has been established for electronic scanning of all Region 2 financial records
- Region 2 is well placed to continue to build its financial house in 2008

# Current Committees / Activities

- Member and Geographic Activities (MGA) Board
  - MGA Rep on Conferences Committee
    - This Committee also includes Bob Rassa, our new R2 Conference Coordinator
    - Panel of Conference Organizers (POCO) Meeting in Seattle - July 2008
  - Supporting concepts to make IEEE Standards for viable and open to Members through Section/Region
    - Will likely address this at Sections Congress
  - Ad Hoc committee on Regional Assessments

# Current Committees / Activities

- Information Technology Support Committee (ITSC)
  - eWorking Subcommittee
  - New products and improved processes for electronic communications
  - Efficiency of information availability
- IEEE USA
- IEEE Call Center of the Future
  - Determination of the expectation of the member experience when requiring information or assistance from IEEE
  - High level requirements – provide me with your inputs!

# Women in Engineering Conference

- Atlantic City – October 2008
- Build on previous successes of Baltimore and Region MPACs
- Evolve to establish a unique Conference for WIE that can be a model for other Regions to follow.
- IEEE USA pledged to support
- Regions 1 & 5 plan to participate

# View of Region

- Region 2 is very diverse...
  - Big Cities, Rural Areas
  - Industry includes large firms, small businesses, R&D, manufacturing
  - Academia includes large universities, small colleges
  - Engineering and science in the Federal Government

# View of Region

- Much of IEEE Heritage and History originated in Eastern US – Region 2
- Region 2 has produced consistent Leadership for IEEE
- *We have the resources and potential to be the strongest Region in IEEE!*

# Looking Ahead...

- As part of MGA, the Region will become a conduit from which IEEE technical and professional information can flow back and forth with the Sections
  - Conferences, meetings, events in the Region and local area
  - Education – online learning, Expert Now, etc.
  - Standards activities, development
  - Publications
  - Industry Relations
  - Career support
  - Technical information and policy

# Looking Ahead...

- We need to have a complete, thorough communications capability!
- Region Responsibility –
  - Acquire and disseminate information
  - Obtain answers for Sections
- Section Responsibility –
  - Provide contact information
    - Section Chair, Membership Chair, PACE Chair
  - ASK QUESTIONS!!!
  - BE PROACTIVE!!!

***Responsibility Leads to Viability!!***

# Looking Ahead...

- As Director in 2009 -10, I plan to continue John Dentler's efforts/approach towards organizing Region 2 to effectively and efficiently match up with the resources available from MGA and IEEE USA.
- Region 2 can and should be interactive with the Sections to better support Members on a Year-round basis.
- I will be soliciting your help as Region 2 volunteers to bring these ambitious plans about.

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*I am available!!*

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