

Some IEEE Accomplishments

I have a diverse and extensive involvement with many parts of the IEEE. I work with volunteers and staff to understand the important issues, make decisions to act and carrying out those decisions. Here are some examples.

1. As IEEE-USA President we created professionally produced videos on IEEE membership featuring diverse YP members, used for the 2021 membership campaign as "IEEE is my professional edge."
2. I was chair of a 2019 IEEE board adhoc on membership price. We created a comprehensive report recommending lowering student membership price and a gradual increase in membership price for YPs. In 2020 the IEEE board lowered student membership by 50%, informed by the work and report from this 2019 committee.
3. I wrote regular blogs for IEEE-USA Insights on topics including diversity and inclusion.
4. I have been an active member of several IEEE Future Directions Activities since 2012 and started a mobile power seed future directions activity. I also started a Future Directions Committee in the IEEE Consumer Electronics (now Consumer Technology) Society
5. While IEEE Region 6 Director I co-founded the IEEE Rising Stars Conference, promoted joint region meetings, promoted/participated in efforts for local section volunteers to talk with people in their section whose membership had expired (this effort led to a 2% increase in membership recovery that year), sought out senior business leaders who were IEEE members and elevated them to senior members and gave numerous awards to companies in Region 6.
6. As chair of the IEEE New Initiatives Committee (NIC) I aligned our funding targets to align with the 2020-2025 IEEE Strategic Plan and made outreach to all the major IEEE organizational units and the members to submit proposals.
7. I started a NIC funded chapter meeting recording effort with Bob Parro, Region 4 Director and John Walz, Division Director which had over 200 recordings and 22,000 views as of August 2016. This has transitioned to IEEE TV curated material that volunteers can upload videos to. I helped to train section leaders to do these recordings all over the world.
8. As chair of the 2011 Sections Congress, I was responsible for putting on a great event featuring hot topics and keynote speakers. We raised more sponsorship money for this SC than any previous one and was the first sections congress to include most IEEE organizational units.
9. As Region 6 Director we were able to have two years of record PACE matching spending with sections on a number of STEM and professional activities throughout Region 6.
10. As a Distinguished Lecturer for the IEEE Consumer Electronics (now Consumer Technology) Society I spoke all over the world, in many cases providing a talk that kicked off a new chapter or resurrected a section chapter.
11. As Public Visibility Chairman I helped recruit a record number of IEEE technical experts for press to talk with and helped launch the 2016 Maker Project.

12. With then Region Directors; I helped organize joint regions 4, 5 and 6 meetings in 2015 and 2016 pointing out new ways for regions and other organizational units to work together to create one IEEE.