

DALLAS SECTION AIChE NOVEMBER 19, 2013 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

A Dallas Section AIChE Executive Committee Meeting and a General Meeting were held on November 19, 2013 at Two Guys From Italy restaurant in Dallas, TX.

A) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The attendees were as follows:

Chair:	José Ramiro Rodríguez Perazza
Vice Chair:	Donald B. Miller
Secretary:	Frederic S. Eisen
Director:	Lacrisha (Lacy) Bishline
Director/Past Chair:	Nancy D. Garnett
Director:	Elizabeth C. Hilbourn

The Treasurer, Fernando J. Aguirre, was an excused absence. He gave his proxy to the Chair. Director Lee M. Vickers indicated via e-mail that she would not be at the meeting. The Secretary determined a quorum was present.

Below is a brief summary of the meeting.

- 1) Local Section Leadership Workshop – Don Miller and Lacy Bishline attended the last LSLW in April. Don continues to wait for Home Office (National) to reimburse him for his trip expenses. Lacy said she may not submit her expenses.
- 2) Young Professionals Group – Director Lacy Bishline is planning to have another Happy Hour for Young Professionals before year's end, probably a "White Elephant" event.
- 3) 2014 TSPE Engineers Week – Lacy Bishline was selected to be our Chemical Engineer of the Year recipient (for the TSPE Engineers Week Awards Banquet to be held during Engineers Week in February 2014).
- 4) AIChE Shining Star Award – Don Miller was selected to be the Dallas Section's nominee to Home Office for the AIChE Shining Star Award.
- 5) Update on Programs – December's meeting will be our annual holiday party; to be held at Two Guy's From Italy restaurant, on December 10. In January 2014 we will have a talk on "Nano-Diamonds for Lubrication".
- 6) Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's report was approved by the Executive Committee and also approved by the members attending the meeting. \$10,162 is in the bank.

7) Prior Meeting Minutes – The October 22, 2013 meeting minutes were approved.

B) **GENERAL MEETING**

The meeting was held at Two Guys From Italy restaurant. Attendance at the general meeting was 29.

The Chair made some welcoming remarks. He announced Lacy Bishline as the section's honoree at the 2014 TSPE Engineers Week Banquet. The Treasurer's report was presented and it was approved by the attendees. The Vice Chair reported the December meeting will be our holiday party and in January we will hear about nano-diamonds for lubes.

The speaker for the evening was Rick Valdes, an Investigator for the Texas Board of Professional Engineers. His topic was "Engineering Ethics". Rick gave updates on professional practice, ethics, Board rule changes (including next year's *new requirement for fingerprinting*), and initiatives the Board is working on. He also presented some information on the code of conduct and enforcement statistics along with example cases.

The meeting was adjourned at about 9:05 PM.

Fred Eisen
Secretary

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