

American Institute of Chemical Engineers Dallas Section

AIChE Dallas Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (May 28, 2019)

The Executive Committee (EC) meeting was held at Two Guys from Italy, 11637 Webb Chapel Road, Dallas, Texas, starting at 6:05 pm.

The following officers and directors attended:

Chair: Andy Moore
Vice Chair: Julia Tossetti
Treasurer: David Brower
Past Chair: Jason Ballengee

Secretary Aguirre and Directors Clay and Muhitch excused themselves and all three delegated proxies to Chair Moore. As a result, a quorum was present.

The following topics were discussed:

YP Award

The proposal and guidelines for a Young Professional (YP) award developed by Past Chair Ballengee and members Jose Ramiro Rodriguez Perazza and Lee Vickers was approved. The vote was requested by email sent to all current paid members.

Symposium

Planning activities for the October 2019 Symposium and search for possible speakers was discussed. Officers and directors have identified several possible speakers, including this month's speaker (Leonidas Bleris) who has his own startup company.

Elections for 2019-2020

Elections for the following fiscal year (2019-2020) will be completed at the June 2019 meeting. Votes will be requested electronically leading to the June meeting, allowing for in-person voting by members that did not previously submit a vote electronically.

Plant Tour

The tour to the glassmaking facilities of Guardian Industries Corp. in Corsicana, Texas is confirmed for June 28, 2019. Treasurer Brower recommended visitors to wear steel-toe boots and safety glasses.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Brower confirmed the 2018 filing of form 990-N. The annual financial report to AIChE is in progress. Ninety five (95) members have paid dues this year.



Resolution: The EC unanimously approved offering a waiver of section dues for new graduates for one year. In addition, the Section will pay for dinner of students that attend the monthly meeting; this offer is limited to one meal per student per year.

The Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

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A Dallas Section meeting followed at 7:13 pm with 14 participants. The list of attendees is attached.

After brief reports, Vice Chair Tossetti introduced the speaker Leonidas Bleris, who gave the presentation titled "Genome Editing and Synthetic Biology in Human Cells." The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Fernando J. Aguirre Secretary June 25, 2019 (Notes provided by Vice Chair Tossetti)



Meeting Attendees

- 1) Andy Moore
- 2) Bob Stevens
- 3) David Dickey
- 4) Roger Kaiser
- 5) John Spessard
- 6) Charles Neubecker
- 7) Julia Tossetti
- 8) Raghavan Ramanan
- 9) Jason Ballengee
- 10) Robert Reynolds
- 11) Pete Ball
- 12) Steven McDonough
- 13) Leonidas Bleris
- 14) David Brower