



# American Institute of Chemical Engineers Dallas Section

## AICHE Dallas Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (March 23, 2023)

The Executive Committee (EC) meeting was held virtually starting at 7:05 pm on March 23, 2023.

The following officers and directors attended:

Chair: Fernando Aguirre  
Secretary: Richard Thut  
Treasurer: David Dickey  
Director: BJ Riddle

Past Chair Tossetti, Director Adams, and Director Droge were absent.

### Welcome

- Chair Aguirre began the meeting by welcoming the officers and directors.

### Meeting Agenda

- Chair Aguirre presented the slides for the local section meeting on 28-Mar-2023. The EC reviewed the slides and decided to not present the financial report as nothing new has been recorded since the last section meeting.
- The speakers for the next two section meetings have been confirmed as follows.
  - **28-Mar-2023** - Dr. Wesley Wampler – “The science and technology of one of the first nanomaterials: Carbon Black”. The speaker and local section will meet in-person at Two Guys From Italy.
  - **25-Apr-2023** - Rameche Somassoundirame - “Carbon capture utilization and storage”. This meeting will be a hybrid meeting, with the local section meeting at Two Guys From Italy and the speaker providing his presentation from Houston.
- Since the 25-Apr-2023 meeting will be a hybrid meeting, Treasurer Dickey indicated that he would investigate the speaker inputs and system to determine if additional audio equipment will need to be purchased. Treasurer Dickey will provide his recommendations at the next EC meeting.
- Chair Aguirre indicated that Past Chair Tossetti is heading up the nominating committee and will provide updates at the local section meeting on 28-Mar-2023.
- Chair Aguirre indicated that we need to remind the local section of the upcoming Regeneron International Science Fair held May 14-19 at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center. The Science Fair is still in need of volunteers.
- Chair Aguirre also informed the EC that our prior projector was donated to Thomas Jefferson High School.
- Director Riddle gave the following updates on potential plant tours.
  - Nestle/Blue Triton (Grand Prairie) required a letter from the local section requesting a plant tour. Director Riddle indicated that the requested letter was sent, however there has been no response to date from Nestle.
  - Mother Parkers Tea & Coffee (Fort Worth) – Director Riddle has made a request for a plant tour but has not received a response from Mother Parkers to date.



- Daisy Brand (Dallas) – Director Riddle has made an initial contact and has sent a letter requesting a plant tour. Director Riddle will follow up on this lead by phone and provide a status at the next EC meeting.
- Director Aguirre also discussed the possibility of a Young Professional Event to attract local chemical engineers to join the local section. The EC decided to assign Director Droge with the task of organizing an event for young professionals and provide the EC with a budget at the next EC meeting.

The EC meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

### **AICHE Dallas Section Meeting Minutes (March 28, 2023)**

A Dallas Section meeting was held at Two Guys from Italy on March 28, 2023, at 7:30 pm with 14 participants. The list of meeting attendees is shown below.

Chair Aguirre opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. After reports from the rest of the officers, Chair Aguirre introduced the speaker Dr. Wesley Wampler, who gave the presentation titled “The science and technology of one of the first nanomaterials: Carbon Black”. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Richard Thut  
Secretary  
April 18, 2023

#### Meeting Attendees

- 1 ) David Adams
- 2 ) Fernando Aguirre
- 3 ) Joseph Barth
- 4 ) David Dickey
- 5 ) Frederic Eisen
- 6 ) Aaron Hanks
- 7 ) Jennifer LaCour
- 8 ) Andrew Moore
- 9 ) Lance Nelson
- 10 ) Charles Neubecker
- 11 ) Billy Riddle
- 12 ) Jose Rodriguez
- 13 ) Julia Tossetti
- 14 ) Wesley Wampler