

DALLAS SECTION AIChE NOVEMBER 27, 2012 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

A Dallas Section AIChE Executive Committee Meeting and General Meeting were held on November 27, 2012 at Two Guys From Italy Restaurant.

A) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The attendees were as follows:

Chair: José Ramiro Rodríguez Perazza
Vice Chair: Donald B. Miller
Treasurer: Fernando J. Aguirre, by proxy
Secretary: Fred Eisen
Director: Nancy Garnett
Director: Lacy Bishline

Absent and excused were: Treasurer Fernando J. Aguirre and Directors Keith Miller, and Neal Abernathy. The Treasurer had given his proxy vote to the Chair.

Below is a brief summary of the meeting.

- 1) ChE of the Year – The Chair brought up that we needed to select the ChE of the Year by end of year. The award will be given at the TSPE Engineering Banquet in February during Engineers week. After discussion, Fernando J. Aguirre, PhD, P.E., our Treasurer, was selected.
- 2) Young Professionals Group – Director Lacy Bishline, who is the Group's Coordinator, has sent out a questionnaire, to all on our email list. She will resend to the target 35 years and under group.
- 3) Christmas/Holiday Party – The party will be held at the Two Guys From Italy Restaurant. The date is Tuesday December 11. Participants will order what they want and pay individually as is usual at our general meetings. Voluntary donations will be taken for the additional incidental expenses for prizes, decorations, appetizers, etc.
- 4) 2012-2013 Programs – Ideas for meeting programs were discussed. The Vice Chair has topic in mind for the rest of this season and is in the process of finding speakers.
- 5) Prior Meeting Minutes – The October 23, 2012 meeting minutes were approved.
- 6) Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer provided his report to the Chair who will present it during the general meeting.

7) Fellows – National is looking for Fellows of the Institute applicants. Prior Fellows are retiring or becoming inactive and the numbers are dwindling. Anyone who has a candidate is encouraged to submit the names.

B) **GENERAL MEETING**

Attendance at the general meeting was 24.

The Chair made some welcoming remarks. He asked for members to submit nominations for the ChE of the Year award to be presented at the February 2013 Engineers Week Banquet and alerted attendees about the upcoming Christmas/Holiday party on December 11. The Chair also gave a brief Treasurer's Report, which was no change from last month. Currently, we have \$9,646 in the bank.

The speaker for the evening was Dr. James R. Montgomery. The topic was "Engineering Ethics: The Requirements of the Texas state Law and Administrative Code and more".

The speaker discussed the ethics requirements for PEs in Texas including what the law and code say. Some recent enforcement actions of the Texas Board of Professional Engineers (TBPE) were reviewed.

The meeting was adjourned at about 9:15 PM.

Fred Eisen
Secretary

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