



# American Institute of Chemical Engineers Dallas Section

## AICHE Dallas Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (February 26, 2019)

The Executive Committee (EC) meeting was held at Two Guys from Italy, 11637 Webb Chapel Road, Dallas, Texas, starting at 6:00 pm.

The following officers and directors attended:

Vice Chair: Julia Tossetti  
Secretary: Fernando J. Aguirre  
Director: Jim Clay  
Director: Jim Muhitch  
Director: Richard Thut

A quorum was present. In the absence of the Chair, Vice Chair Tossetti chaired the meeting.

The following topics were discussed:

- 1) Chair's Report
  - a) YP award: Ramiro Rodriguez provided an update on this activity. He will send a draft of the proposal to the Executive Committee for review and comments.
  - b) DFW Local Section Social Media: Tossetti and James McCreary are making postings to Facebook. Thut will include links to the section's social media when distributing certificates.
  - c) STEM scholarship: The section's contribution to Girlgineering was handled.
  - d) Science Fair participation: Tossetti reported that the section's participation was very successful.
- 2) Vice Chair's Report

Member Tom Donnelly expressed an interest by Remington College for visits by industry people that can provide input to the curriculum for process operators.
- 3) Treasurer's Report

The treasurer did not attend the meeting.
- 4) Secretary's Report

The minutes of the January 22, 2019 meeting were approved. They will be posted in the section website shortly.  
<https://www.aiche.org/community/sites/local-sections/dallas/meeting-presentations-minutes>
- 5) 2019 Symposium

The officers and directors present shared progress in their efforts to recruit speakers for the 2019 Symposium. It was agreed to share future communications.



6) New venue for monthly meeting

Director Clay is assessing options for an alternative venue in Las Colinas/Irving area for the section's monthly meeting.

The Executive Committee adjourned at 6:20 pm.

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A Dallas Section meeting followed at 7:15 pm with 18 participants. The list of attendees is attached.

Each officer gave their reports as already documented above. John Spessard gave the presentation titled "Can High Voltage Direct Current Transmission Lines Allow Solar and Wind Electricity to Replace Alternating Current Transmission Lines?" The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Fernando J. Aguirre  
Secretary  
March 24, 2019



Meeting Attendees

- 1) Fernando J. Aguirre
- 2) Charles Neubecker
- 3) Jim Clay
- 4) Probir Shah
- 5) David Dickey
- 6) Renee Hale
- 7) Julia Tossetti
- 8) Fred Eisen
- 9) Jose Ramiro Rodriguez
- 10) Jim Muhitch
- 11) Richard Thut
- 12) Tom Donnelly
- 13) Doug Nurmi
- 14) Karl Gutzke
- 15) Evelyn Gutzke
- 16) John O'Riordan
- 17) Ken Konvicka
- 18) John Spessard