



# American Institute of Chemical Engineers Dallas Section

## AIChE Dallas Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (September 24, 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:

Chair: Julia Tossetti  
Secretary: Fernando J. Aguirre  
Treasurer: Probir Shah  
Past Chair: Andy Moore  
Director: David Dickey  
Director: Richard Thut

Director Muhitch delegated his proxy to Chair Tossetti. A quorum was present.

The following topics were discussed:

### **Treasurer transition and bank signatories**

Secretary Aguirre reported that he visited a Chase bank branch and changed the primary signatory to the section's bank account, as well as the address, from the past treasurer to newly elected Treasurer Shah. Treasurer Shah and Chair Tossetti need to visit a Chase branch to record their signatures and request a debit card. The past treasurer was removed from the account. Treasurer Shah will follow up with David Brower to recover the section's checkbook and documentation.

### **YP Award**

No new activity since previous meeting. Aguirre agreed to distribute a current section membership listing to the EC.

### **STEM Scholarship**

Discussion of this topic was postponed until after the presentation following the EC meeting.

### **Vice Chair's Report** (provided by Chair Tossetti)

The following speakers and events are planned at the present time.

<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Speaker or Event</b>
October 2019	Symposium on Hard Science Startups (Oct 25, 2019) No meeting this month.
November 2019	Ethics presentation by the Texas Board of Professional Engineers (TBPE).
December 2019	Christmas Party. Date and location to be determined.



### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Shah will prepare a budget for the current fiscal year for consideration by the EC at the next meeting. Discussion followed on the section's PayPal account. The account was opened by the past treasurer who apparently lost the password. Treasurer Shah will follow up to ensure the section has its own active PayPal account.

### **Secretary's Report**

Secretary Aguirre distributed the August 2019 minutes in advance of the meeting and asked for a motion to approve them. The August 2019 EC meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

### **2019 Symposium**

The following activities were discussed in making final preparations for the Symposium scheduled for October 25, 2019 at Halff & Associates in Richardson, Texas.

- Past Chair Moore will contact Symposium Chair Ram Ramanan to confirm he remains involved.
- Chair Tossetti will ask all speakers for their presentations in advance of the event.
- Director Thut will coordinate coffee breaks and ordering lunch.
- Treasurer Shah will prepare the program and Secretary Aguirre will update the website once the program is ready.
- Past Chair Moore will coordinate offering 10 complimentary registrations to staff of Halff & Associates who provided the venue free of charge.

The Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

## **AICHE Dallas Section Meeting Minutes (September 24, 2019)**

A Dallas Section meeting followed at 7:30 pm with 15 participants. The list of attendees is attached.

After brief reports from the officers, Chair Tossetti introduced the speaker Truman Bell, ExxonMobil Corporation, who gave the presentation titled "Are we preparing U.S. STEM graduates for the future?" The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Fernando J. Aguirre  
Secretary  
October 27, 2019



Meeting attendees

- 1) Fernando J. Aguirre
- 2) Joe Barth
- 3) David Dickey
- 4) Fred Eisen
- 5) Andy Moore
- 6) Charles Neubecker
- 7) Probir Shah
- 8) John Spessard
- 9) Bob Stevens
- 10) Richard Thut
- 11) Julia Tossetti
- 12) Courtney Radcliffe
- 13) Clara Cantu
- 14) Jose Ramiro Rodriguez
- 15) Truman Bell (speaker)