



# American Institute of Chemical Engineers

## Dallas Section

### DALLAS SECTION AIChE SEPTEMBER 23, 2014 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

A Dallas Section AIChE Executive Committee meeting and a General meeting were held on September 23, 2014 at the Two Guys From Italy restaurant in Dallas, TX.

#### A) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The attendees were as follows:

Vice Chair:	Nancy D. Garnett
Secretary:	Frederic S. Eisen
Past Chair/Director:	José Ramiro Rodríguez Perazza
Director:	Lacrisha (Lacy) Bishline
Director:	Elizabeth C. Hilbourn

The Chair Donald B. Miller and the Treasurer Fernando J. Aguirre were excused absences. Director Lee M. Vickers was also absent. The Secretary determined a quorum was present and the Vice Chair led the meeting.

Below is a brief meeting summary.

- 1) Future Programs – The Vice Chair reported that the October meeting will have Greg Mayes speaking about alternative energy. Ethics will be the topic for November. The holiday party will be in December. The majority preferred a change in venue for this event. The Vice Chair will check out Pappadeaux's as a possibility. A Mary Kay speaker and/or plant tour is a possibility for a future meeting.
- 2) Coppell High School Engineering Expo – Lacy and Elan agreed to represent the Section at this Expo on November 2, 2014. Ramiro will contact home office for appropriate handout literature.
- 3) Young Professionals Group – There has been no recent activity. Director Lacy Bishline will soon be planning the next event.
- 4) Secretary – Minutes of the August 11, 2014 Executive Committee Planning Meeting were approved.

- 5) Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's report was reviewed by the Executive Committee and later presented to and approved by the members attending the general meeting. Currently, we have \$11,430 in the bank.
- 6) Shining Star Award - The Secretary agreed to assist the Treasurer with preparing a submit a writeup to home office for the Shining Star Award which is due by November 30. Ramiro (the award candidate) will provide some biographical information.

## B) GENERAL MEETING

Attendance at the general meeting was 15 (including the speaker).

The Vice Chair made some welcoming remarks, reviewed recent Section developments and upcoming programs.

The speaker was David Weeks, Senior Partner with Risk Management & Engineering Ltd. His topic was West Fertilizer and Potential Changes to the PSM/RMP\* Rules. The West Fertilizer Incident was briefly reviewed as well as the Chemical Safety Board's and the Texas Fire Marshall's Preliminary Findings on the Cause of the Incident. The focus of the presentation was on OSHA's Federal Register Notice where they describe changes they are considering to the PSM Rule, which will impact the RMP rule. There are several Oil & Gas Exploration issues specifically addressed in the Notice.

*\*PSM/RMP are OSHA and EPA interrelated rules.*

*OSHA – Process Safety Management (PSM) program*

*EPA – Risk Management Plan (RMP)*

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15 PM.

Fred Eisen  
Secretary

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