



## Society of Plastics Engineers Detroit Section Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2018 Board Meeting

### Meeting Location

Crowne Plaza Hotel  
1500 N. Opdyke Rd  
Auburn Hills MI

### Call-In Information

U.S: (712) 832-8330 [NEW]  
Pass Code: 5855927

**Attendance/ Voting** – Lyle Beadle, Dawn Cooper, Pete Grelle, Wayne Hertlein, Norm Kakarala, Adrian Merrington- Bob held proxy, Tom Miller, David Okonski, Bob Petrach, Tom Pickett, Irv Poston, Tom Powers, Nippani Rao, Suresh Shah, Laura Shereda, Keith Siopes, Sassan Tarahomi, Eve Vitale, Bill Windscheif. Unable to arrange or did not designate proxies- Marc Bahm, Neil Fuenmayor Todd Hogan, Sandra McClelland, Armando Sardanopoli  
Also in attendance –Kelly Beauchamp, Karen Rhodes-Parker, Mark Richardson

### **Welcome and Introductions**

Eve called meeting to order at 5:40 pm.  
Introductions were not necessary

**Eve Vitale**

### **Remembering Ron Price**

Eve made a few comments about the untimely loss of Ron and his great contributions then opened floor to many heartfelt comments and stories about how giving, caring, mentoring and hardworking Ron was and the loss to his family, friends and SPE.

**Eve Vitale**

### **President's Message – Plans**

Eve's focus will be ANTEC 2019, Strengthening NextGen / Young Professionals, and Improving Communications.

ANTEC 2019 Committee is to be Eve, Bill, Laura, Pete, Dave, and Sassan. (Armando added to Committee after meeting) SPE Detroit will sponsor or partially sponsor a welcoming event. Dollar amount is to be determined by the committee as well as other involvement in ANTEC.

**Eve Vitale**

### **Approval of Minutes-**

Bill moved and Dave seconded that minutes for May 21, 2018 meeting be approved. Motion passed.

**Bob Petrach**

### **Councilor's Report**

No report

**Sassan Tarahomi**

### **Treasurer's Report**

Tom explained Performance to 2017-2018 Budget.pdf thru 6-24 (embedded here) noting TPO 2018 income is in 2017-2018- expenses in 2018-2019. He also reviewed register report. (also embedded)

**Tom Powers**



Performance to 2017-2018 Budget.pc  
 Register report 5-09 to 6-24.pdf

Some overages, much due to storage charges for things that we did not have room for at the new location. Karen noted there are a lot of things that could be thrown out that she will throw out. During the discussion, Norm noted that Automotive Division is trying to get out of sharing space with ACC so ACC may want to charge us more once Automotive Division leaves.

For 2018-2019 budget Tom will make adjustments as requested. He noted that he typically uses historic budget numbers to generate new budget, except for education budget. Nippani requested Golf outing budget be raised to \$15,000 (was 13), no objections.

Bill Windscheif is acting as Assistant Treasurer and Tom thought that was a good fit and he is pleased to work with Bill.

**President Elect**  
**House & Programs -2017/18**

**Laura Shereda**  
**Sassan Tarahomi**

2018 - 2019 SPE Detroit Section Major Activities and Board Meetings							
#	Date	Event	Location	Start Time	End Time	Cost	RSVP
1	September 10, 2018	Keynote Speaker: TBD Presentation: TBD	Michigan State University Management Education Center 811 W. Square Lake Rd. Troy, MI 48098	5:00 PM	8:30 PM	TBD	Karen
2	October 7-10, 2018	2018 TPO Conference "20th TPO Conf. Anniversary"	Detroit Marriott -Troy	All Day	All Day	See Conf. Website	Karen
3	October 15, 2018	Technical Dinner Meeting	Michigan State University Management Education Center 811 W. Square Lake Rd. Troy, MI 48098	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	TBD	Karen
4	October 22, 2018	SPE Detroit Section Board Meeting	ACC	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	N/A	Karen
5	January 14, 2019	Technical Dinner Meeting	Michigan State University Management Education Center 811 W. Square Lake Rd. Troy, MI 48098	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	TBD	Karen
6	February 4, 2019	SPE Detroit Section Board Meeting	ACC	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	N/A	Karen
7	February 25, 2019	Technical Dinner Meeting	Michigan State University Management Education Center 811 W. Square Lake Rd. Troy, MI 48098	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	TBD	Karen
8	March 4, 2019	Technical Dinner Meeting	Michigan State University Management Education Center 811 W. Square Lake Rd. Troy, MI 48098	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	TBD	Karen
9	March 18 - 20, 2019	2019 ANTEC "75th SPE Anniversary"	GM Renaissance Center Detroit, MI 48243	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	See Conf. Website	Karen
10	April 8, 2019	SPE Detroit Section Board Meeting	ACC	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	N/A	Karen
11	May 7, 2019	2019 Auto EPCON	Detroit Marriott -Troy	All Day	All Day	See Conf. Website	Karen
12	May 13, 2019	Technical Dinner Meeting	Michigan State University Management Education Center 811 W. Square Lake Rd. Troy, MI 48098	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	TBD	Karen
13	May 20, 2019	SPE Detroit Section Board Meeting	ACC	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	N/A	Karen

14	June 10, 2019	Technical Dinner Meeting	Michigan State University Management Education Center 811 W. Square Lake Rd. Troy, MI 48098	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	TBD	Karen
15	June 24, 2019	SPE Detroit Section Planning Meeting	Michigan State University Management Education Center 811 W. Square Lake Rd. Troy, MI 48098	5:00 PM	8:00 PM	TBD	Karen
16	June 25, 2019	Golf Outing	Bay Pointe Golf Club	9:00 AM	5:00 PM	Call Karen	Karen

Technical Program

Board / Planning Meeting

Sassan noted we are always looking for ideas. Bob working on an event at Oscoda Plastics that would be primarily for students from the new Central Michigan Colleges Chapter (Mid Michigan Community College, Bellevue University, Central Michigan University, Kirtland Community College, Northwood University and Delta College.) Steve Fosgard thought he could get reasonable attendance if a tour / presentation can be set up. Kelly mentioned maybe we could add a PCS event to schedule.

#### Technical Conferences

Sassan Tarahomi

**2018 TPO Conference - 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** Sassan Tarahomi presented short report that things were going well. 95% of revenue is collected. There will be a special memorial to Ron Price also a \$5000 TPO scholarship in honor of Ron.

#### AutoEPCON

Sandra McClelland

No report

#### Membership

Open

Laura stepped up to take this on. Kelly and Lyle offered to help

#### Volunteers Coordination

Keith Siopes

Sassan encouraged people to record the events in photos and write articles for the newsletter. Documenting the events needs improving. Volunteers are doing a lot of good and we need to get the word out. Kelly and Lyle offered to help.

#### Nominations/Elections

Irv Poston

No activity

#### Awards

Nippani Rao

**Nippani asked for input. Right now he has these in motion:**

- 1) Outstanding Member Award to Wayne Hertlein.
- 2) STAR Awards to Tom Miller and Keith Siopes
- 3) Special Recognition Award to Tom Powers

4) Community Service Award to M. Holland

5) Bob Petrach for HSM and Adrian Merrington for Fellow (nominated by Sassan). Submissions to be in to SPE International HQ by. October 1, 2018 for HSM and October 6, 2017for Fellow.

#### First Vice President Reports

Dawn Cooper

#### Advertising

Chris Surbrook

No report

## Newsletter

Eve Vitale

## Communications



Communications Irv  
Poston.pptx

Report embedded here.

Newsbrief due 6/29.

Mark Richardson asked if we had a photographer. There was some discussion on that. We do need to communicate what we've done better at events and more and better photos are needed to get the story out. Tom Powers noted it should be event driven. Sassan will work on it for TDMs.

Irv Poston

## Webmaster Update

Marc Bahm

No report. Sassan said he thinks Marc needs an assistant there. Jill is paid to run the website and post things but she does not generate content. All of us need to be writing articles on what we do at events or any other noteworthy news.

## Public Interest

Dawn Cooper

We could do more things – open to suggestions and help. Right now planning on the Toys program and Material Auction. Sponsors would like the Material Auction in January. The Magician as entertainment is getting pretty worn out. Maybe a comedian – open to suggestions.

## SPE Golf Outing

Nippani Rao

June 25, 2019 Bay Point GC in West Bloomfield, MI.

## Intersociety Report

Wayne Hertlein

No Affiliate Council Meetings until September.

Wayne would like to expand our sponsorship for the Future Cities event. Besides sponsoring the use of plastics award, he'd like to award the top 5 schools and the winner of the use of plastics award with a PlastiVan® visit. Wayne moved and Pete seconded. After discussion it was decided to drop the motion. But general consensus was that it was a good idea. So rather than a separate line item in the budget, this should be handled in the Education Budget. A specific earmark for the 6 PlastiVan® visits (in addition to visits Education Committee is planning) should be noted in the Education Budget, but for coordination purposes, scheduling should remain as part of Education Budget. Wayne will work with Tom Miller to make sure we have some late dates open to schedule the winners from Future Cities.

Lyle asked if we measured the impact of the visits and other Education expenses such as scholarships. Tom noted he tracks scholarship recipients into their careers and also with his involvement at FSU noted about half of the SPE student members there remember PlastiVan® visits to their schools.

## Historian

T. Powers/W. Hertlein

No updates

## Second Vice President

Bill Windscheif

## Next Gen Report

Eve Vitale

Eve met with Chelsea and Jason. Recap of the 6/19 meeting is embedded here. Budget set for \$5000.

Next event is "Fowling at The Hub" in August. It was suggested there be more involvement at the AIAG for Next Gen and maybe some Tigers or Lions events. To encourage more involvement, maybe offer the \$99

Young Professionals memberships for Next Gen Committee leaders. No decision on that, Eve will take it back to the Next Gen Committee.



2018-2019 Next Gen  
Plan - Draft.docx

## Education

**Tom Miller**

### Education Budget presentation

**Tom Miller**

Irv chose to have an SPE Foundation Scholarship as the scholarship named in his honor. Eve noted that the way SPE Foundation Scholarships work is that they are set at %5 of the rolling average of the fund's last 3 year's performance and the lowest scholarship award would be at 85% of \$2500. Interest money n investments pays for the scholarships.

We currently have 2 named local scholarships, the Delta Polymers and Reg Bell scholarships

It is proposed that we establish a new local scholarships a 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary scholarship.

During discussion it was also proposed that we add a Ron Price Scholarship. Sassan will work on it Idea was that it would come out of TPO funds and be presented at TPO.

Overall the proposal was incomplete – no approval of overall budget request as there were many questions Education Committee to meet week of July 2. Report is embedded here.

Below are some highlights and discussion.

Education Committee consists of Sandra, Bill, Tom Miller, Tom Powers, Norm added.

Education Committee should not manage Next Gen budget or events, Next Gen Committee should be separate.

There were too many questions on our participation in SAE AWIM program. That was sent back to committee.

Last slide of embedded file shows budget requests.

Allocation formula for school support was questioned. (also a slide in embedded report) Funds dispersal rubric and how the ranking method was used were not clear.

During discussion, Dave noted that we need to focus more on intern programs and also get capstone project presented at our conferences.

**PlastiVan® –**

**Tom Miller/Todd Hogan**

**Budget request was** \$57,750 (up \$500 from what was spent in 2017-2018) but this will be increased to cover the 6 added visits Wayne has requested for Intersociety.

**Essay contest –** no major changes

## Old/New Business

**Wayne Hertlein**

No Old Business

### New Business –

No New Business

## Meeting Adjourned

**Wayne Hertlein**

Wayne moved to adjourn, Sassan seconded. Adjourned at 8:16 pm

**NEXT Meeting Day & Date: Monday October 22, 2018 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

### Meeting Location

### Remote Location

### **Call-In Information**

American Chemistry Council

None

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## Appendix (Proposed Agenda for this meeting)



# Detroit SPE Planning Meeting

## Proposed Agenda

### June 25, 2018

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 Or Telephone: Dial US: +1 646 558 8656 or +1 669 900 6833  
 Meeting ID: 766 340 9572

5:00 PM	<b>President</b>	<b>Eve Vitale</b>
5:00 PM	Dinner	
5:30 PM	Meeting Call to Order	Eve Vitale
	Remembering Ron Price	Eve Vitale
	Welcome and Introductions	Eve Vitale
5:35 PM	President's Message - Plans	Eve Vitale
5:45 PM	Approval of Minutes	Bob <a href="#">Petrach</a>
5:55 PM	Budget - Plans	Tom Powers
	(Councilor)	Dr. Sassan Tarahomi
6:05 PM	<b>President Elect</b>	<b>Dr. Laura <a href="#">Shereda</a></b>
6:05 PM	House and Programs -Plans	Dr. Sassan Tarahomi
	(TPO Conference)	<a href="#">Fuenmayor/Tarahomi</a>
	(Auto EPCON)	Sandra McClelland
6:20 PM	(Membership)	<b>VACANT</b>
6:25 PM	Volunteers - Plans	Keith <a href="#">Sjopes</a>
	(Nominations/Elections)	Irv Poston
6:35 PM	Awards – Plans	<a href="#">Nippani Rao</a>
7:00 PM	<b>First Vice President</b>	<b>Dawn Cooper</b>
7:00 PM	Advertising – Plans	Chris <a href="#">Surbrook</a>
	(Newsletter)	Eve Vitale
7:05 PM	Communication – Plans	Irv Poston
7:10 PM	Webmaster – Plans	Marc Bahm
7:15 PM	Public Interest – Plans	Dawn Cooper
	(Social Events)	Rao/Cooper
	(Intersociety)	Wayne <a href="#">Hertlein</a>
	(Historian)	Wayne <a href="#">Hertlein</a>
7: 20 PM	<b>Second Vice President</b>	<b>Bill <a href="#">Windscheif</a></b>
7:20 PM	Next Gen Advisor	Eve Vitale
7:25 PM	Education	Tom Miller
7:40 PM	PlastiVan®/Essay Contest	Miller/Hogan
	(Scholarships)	Miller/Hogan
	(Student Chapters)	Various
7:50 PM	<b>Old/New Business</b>	<b>Eve Vitale</b>
8:00 PM	<b>Meeting Adjourned</b>	<b>Eve Vitale</b>