



Society of Plastics Engineers Detroit Section Board Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2024 Meeting

Meeting Location

ZOOM/ phone

Board Member Attendance- Dawn Cooper, Neil Fuenmayor, Mary Gilliam, Mahmoodul Haq – Laura held proxy, Bernd Henkelmann, Sandra McClelland – Tom Miller held proxy, Tom Miller, Dave Okonski, Bob Petrach, Rob Philp, Tom Pickett, Martin Popella – Bob held proxy, Laura Shereda, Keith Siopes, Sassan Tarahomi, Richard Umemoto, Fang Wang.

17/22 voting (included proxies)

Emeritus Board Member Present – Norm Kakarala (non voting)

Not present – Todd Hogan, Adrian Merrington, Armando Sardanopoli, Chris Surbrook, and Eve Vitale,. *Emeritus (non voting) not present– Tom Powers*

Guests – none

Meeting Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by President Rob Philp.

Roll Call

Rob Philp

Rob asked Bob to call the roll. At the time of roll call 17/22 were in attendance (included proxies).

Approval of the Minutes

Rob Philp

Minutes of 2024-01-08 Board Meeting were pending approval.

Rob referenced copy Bob sent out for review on 2024-03-04.

Sassan moved minutes be approved, Keith seconded and motion was approved by voice vote.

President's Message

Rob Philp

- Rob noted that newsletter was not out yet and it was because of his report not being submitted to Eve. Rob briefly explained his recent health problems as well as the need to confer with Martin on some programming issues before submitting to Eve. Rob expects to send to Eve tomorrow.
- **Action Item from last meeting:** Rob will call a Bylaws Committee meeting as soon as practical given other priorities. Rob noted that he had not been able to do that yet.

Treasurer's Report

Dave Okonski

Besides presenting his formal report, Dave reviewed checking and investment balances, performance to budget, and check register.

Dave explained the discrepancy that was highlighted during the January meeting. The roughly + \$4300 discrepancy in checking has been resolved. There were several student scholarship checks that had not been cashed (over a year old) as well as one double entry of a payment. Going

forward, the method of payment to students and confirmation of check receipt or alternative payment will be examined.

During budget review it was noted that for the last few years we have budgeted at a deficit and covering that deficit with investment income. Sassan noted we need to budget to break even. There were also discrepancies between Neil's spreadsheet of TPO Expense/Income versus Dave's accounting. Dave and Neil will compare numbers off line. Dave's slides are below. **Bob moved Treasurer's report be approved, Sassan seconded and motion was approved by voice vote.**

Category	7/1/2023 Actual	Budget	6/30/2024 Difference
INCOME	366,436.50	488,796.00	-122,359.50
03-Education Income	1,284.00	600.00	684.00
04-Technical Meeting Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
05-Membership Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
06-Go! Outing Income	1,665.00	14,400.00	-12,735.00
08-Material Auction Income	0.00	12,000.00	-12,000.00
10-Administration	100,000.00	0.00	100,000.00
11-Newsletter Advertising	0.00	2,400.00	-2,400.00
12-TPO Conference Inc	252,587.50	384,996.00	-132,408.50
15-Auto Epon Income	10,000.00	74,400.00	-63,500.00
EXPENSES	417,116.56	551,892.00	134,775.44
01-Board Expenses	11,434.24	24,000.00	12,565.76
02-Awards	194.00	1,200.00	1,006.00
03-Education	109,722.61	176,268.00	66,545.39
03.1 Scholarships	53,050.00	62,400.00	9,350.00
03.2 PlastiVan	53,550.00	75,000.00	21,450.00
03.3 National Support	0.00	0.00	0.00
03.4 Area Programs	2,969.74	5,520.00	2,550.26
03.5 Administration	152.87	840.00	687.13
03.6 Special Programs	0.00	0.00	0.00
3.8 Next Generation Program	0.00	504.00	504.00
Student Sections	0.00	32,004.00	32,004.00
04-Monthly Tech	589.76	2,400.00	1,810.24
05-Membership	414.51	1,440.00	1,025.49
06-Go! Outing Expense	1,723.50	14,400.00	12,676.50
07-Intersociety	0.00	300.00	300.00
08-Material Auction Expenses	0.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
09-Councilor	1,442.47	4,200.00	2,757.53
10-Administration Expense	20,976.24	21,204.00	227.76
10.1 APC services	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
10.2 Special Items	9,751.55	12,000.00	2,248.45
10.3 ACC Rent	2,350.00	5,004.00	2,654.00
11-Newsletter Expense	3,515.31	4,050.00	554.69
12-TPO Conference Expenses	281,292.05	240,000.00	-21,292.05
13-Antec Expenses	1,435.31	4,000.00	964.69
14-Credit Card Fee	3,580.56	6,000.00	2,409.44
15-Auto Epon Expense	806.00	48,000.00	47,194.00
Net Difference:	-50,680.06	-63,096.00	12,415.94

Date	Account	Num	Description	Amount	
BALANCE 10/2024					
18/2024	5-3rs	mech. 1425	Amro Kulgugi	2023 TPO Co. 03-Education 03.1 Don. 0	-1,000.00
19/2024	5-3rs	mech. Au Wh. 5/3 Bank		10-Administration Exp. 0	-431.94
				03-Education 03.4 Ane. 0	-344.44
				12-TPO Conference Ex. 0	-175.00
				11-Newsletter Expense 0	-1,400.00
				01-Board Expenses 0	-3,791.20
11/9/2024	5-3rs	mech. AD CC	Hil Fuller - CWI	2024 TPO Conf. 10-TPO Conference Inc 0	8,000.00
12/4/2024	5-3rs	mech. VV05B	Karen Rhodes	9 hours x \$31. 10-Administration Exp. 0	-279.00
				2 hours x \$31. 10-Administration Exp. 0	-62.00
				11 hours x \$31. 12-TPO Conference Ex. 0	-341.00
12/4/2024	5-3rs	mech. VV05B	Karen Rhodes	8 hours x \$31. 10-Administration Exp. 0	-248.00
				22 hours x \$31. 12-TPO Conference Ex. 0	-682.00
12/4/2024	5-3rs	mech. DEP	2024 TPO Conf.	8 hours x \$31. 10-TPO Conference Inc 0	254.00
				03-Education Income 0	8,000.00
12/4/2024	5-3rs	mech. EPT	2024 TPO Conf.	Amst Corp. 10-TPO Conference Inc 0	8,000.00
12/10/24	5-3rs	mech. Au Wh	Autobank.net	10-Administration Exp. 0	-4,000.00
12/10/24	5-3rs	mech. AD CC	2024 Auto EPC	Rafiq Pabroo. 13-Auto Epon Income 0	3,000.00
21/2/2024	5-3rs	mech. Au Wh	Autobank.net	14-Credit Card Fee 0	-129.94
21/2/2024	5-3rs	mech. Au Wh	Autobank.net	14-Credit Card Fee 0	-39.95
21/2/2024	5-3rs	mech. 1428	Neil Feuerhagen	11-Newsletter Expense 0	-50.70
21/2/2024	5-3rs	mech. Au Wh	Autobank.net	14-Credit Card Fee 0	-4,000.00
21/2/2024	5-3rs	mech. AD CC	2024 TPO Conf.	Amst Corp. 10-TPO Conference Inc 0	8,000.00
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21/2/2024	5-3rs	mech. Au Wh. 5/3 Bank		10-Administration Exp. 0	-144.53
				03-Education 03.3 Ane. 0	-49.51
				01-Board Expenses 0	-158.59
21/4/2024	5-3rs	mech. DEP	2024 Auto EPC	Mitsubishi Ch. 12-TPO Conference Inc 0	8,000.00
				EMG Group. 13-Auto Epon Income 0	4,000.00
22/2/2024	5-3rs	mech. 1424	Marie Hysan	2023 TPO Co. 03-Education 03.1 Don. 0	-5,000.00
22/10/24	5-3rs	mech. 1426	Karen Rhodes	2023 Year End. 12-TPO Conference Ex. 0	-5,000.00
22/10/24	5-3rs	mech. VV05B	Karen Rhodes	01-Board Expenses 0	-341.00
				15-Auto Epon Expense 0	-498.00
				12-TPO Conference Ex. 0	-682.00
22/7/2024	5-3rs	mech. DEP	2024 TPO Conf.	MFC. TPO C. 12-TPO Conference Inc 0	8,000.00
31/10/24	5-3rs	mech. Au Wh	Autobank.net	14-Credit Card Fee 0	-129.94
34/2/2024	5-3rs	mech. Au Wh	Autobank.net	14-Credit Card Fee 0	-39.95
3/10/24	5-3rs	mech. AD CC	2024 Auto EPC	Karney Ochoa. 13-Auto Epon Income 0	3,000.00
3/10/24	5-3rs	mech. 1428	Donny Of Place	Detroit Secs. 10-Administration Exp. 0	200.00
3/10/24	5-3rs	mech. 1430	Donny Of Place	Karney Visit. 03-Education 03.3 Plac. 0	-15,700.00
3/10/24	5-3rs	mech. 1431	Thomas Miller	ANTEC 2024 10-Councilor 0	-11,442.47
3/10/24	5-3rs	mech. 1432	Diana A. Okonki	ANTEC 2024 13-Antec Expenses 0	-1,435.31
3/10/2024	5-3rs	mech. Au Wh. 5/3 Bank	Paycom for all	01-Board Expenses 0	-211.69
				10-Administration Exp. 0	-4,319.89
				12-TPO Conference Ex. 0	-682.00
				02-Awards 0	-144.00
10/2024 - 3/10/2024					
BALANCE 3/10/2024					
197,769.42					
TOTAL INFLOWS 62,434.66					
TOTAL OUTFLOWS -45,668.66					
NET TOTAL 16,765.94					

Treasurer's Report – 3/11/2024

Two files are submitted for the Board's review – Performance to Budget for the time 7/1/2023 to 6/30/2024 (present) and the Check Registry for the time 1/8/2024 to 3/10/2024.

The Detroit Section is presently financially solvent with a checking account balance of \$197,769.42 and an investment portfolio having a market value of about \$3.3M. The Treasurer reports that since 7/1/2023, expenses exceed income by \$50,680.06.

Financial Performance, 7/1 thru 3/10/2024	BUDGET (Entire Fiscal Year)	ACTUAL (Fiscal Year-to-Date)
INCOME	\$ 488,796.00	\$ 366,436.50
EXPENSES	\$ 551,892.00	\$ 417,116.56
Fiscal Year: July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024		

For the two-month period 1/8/2024 to 3/10/2024, income exceeded expenses by \$16,765.34.

Financial Performance, 1/8 thru 3/10/2024	BUDGET	ACTUAL
INCOME	\$ 81,466.00	\$ 62,434.00
EXPENSES	\$ 91,982.00	\$ 45,668.66

Education

Tom Miller reported Essays were in, 54 North Section Entries, 40 South Section High School Entries, 15 South Section Middle School Entries, but entries only spread out over 3 schools in North and 4 schools in South with 34 of the 55 South essays from EcoTek affiliated schools.

Sandra McClelland

Rob asked Tom Miller about follow up from PlastiVan® visits, with PlastiVan® visits sponsored by SPE Detroit at 31 schools so far we should expect more essay participation from those schools. Are PlastiVan® instructors promoting the essay contest?

Tom said PlastiVan® instructors were given the information and he was as disappointing as Rob. Tom also pointed out that we were not getting timely notification so that we could get board members to schools during PlastiVan® visits.

Action Items:

Tom to review scheduling with Eve and or Mark Richardson to get more notice of PlastiVan® schedule.

There are 3 visits remaining this year where BoD members can attend, Taylor West Middle School, Taylor on 3/18 and 3/19, -31. Hoover Middle School, Taylor on 3/21 and 3/22 and Millington Middle School, Millington on May 14. If interested contact Tom or Mark Richardson or Eve Vitale directly.

Sassan noted that at ANTEC Detroit was honored and is by far largest contributor. Two pertinent slides from SPE Foundation presentation https://www.4spe.org/files/bb/SPE_Foundation_-_ANTEC_20241.pdf

SPE FOUNDATION AMBASSADOR GIVING SOCIETY

\$10,000	Patron Level
\$25,000	Grand Patron Level
\$50,000	Champion Level
\$100,000	Centurion Level
\$250,000	Distinction Level
\$500,000	Visionary Level
\$1,000,000	Fred Conley President's Level
Loyalty Society	Three years of consecutive giving
Legacy Society	Documented planned gift



VISIONARY LEVEL
\$500,000 - \$999,999



Back to Essay Contest - Tom and Todd only had 8 volunteers for judging to date **NEED MORE**. Keith and Mary volunteered at this time. Mary suggested looking at adding some type of lab presentation component to essay contest. Neil suggested something like poster contest at TPO. Sassan asked if we could collect all the essays and put into book form, perhaps electronically. **Sassan moved that we build a cloud database to retain all essays, Bernd seconded. Motion passed.**

Neil asked if the budget would allow for 3 sets of prizes since the South was now split into groups HS and Middle school. Tom said they had enough to cover.

Neil asked for deadline for judging to be completed. Tom said deadline for judging was end of the month.

Scholarship applications are open and deadline for submission is August 16, 2024.

Outline

- Budget
- PlastiVan
- Essay Contest – North & South Entries
 - *More judges needed!*
- Scholarship
 - *2024-2025 Application Deadline*

5/8/23 – 2024 update needed from Dave/Sandra

Education Budget	2019-20 Budget	2019-20 Spent	2020-21 Budget	2020-21 Spent	2021-22 Budget	2021-2022 Spent	2022-2023 Budget	2022-2023 Spent	2023-2024 Budget	2023-2024 Spent
Scholarship	\$65,000	\$65,500	\$42,800	\$41,600	\$60,000	\$28,837	\$65,000	\$47,450	\$12,550	\$12,550
PlastiVan	\$57,250	\$26,825	\$37,250	\$27,000	\$57,250	\$44,275	\$37,250	\$48,825	\$8,425	\$8,425
PlastiVan modules			\$60,000	\$60,000		\$5,000	\$0	0		
National Support	\$5,000				\$4,000	\$4,080	\$4,000			
Area Programs	\$10,000	\$3,740	\$9,000	\$4,455	\$9,000	\$4,550	\$9,000	\$1,500	\$7,500	
Administration	\$500	\$546.90	\$400	\$711	\$800	\$103		\$800		
Special Programs	\$3,000		\$0	\$2,400				\$0		
Future Student Chapters	\$500	\$0	\$1,440.00	\$0				\$500		
SAE Foundation	\$3,500	\$3,750						\$0		
Student Sections	\$35,000	\$0	\$8,000	\$0	\$35,000		\$35,000	\$10,000	\$25,000	
Total	\$177,750	\$101,262	\$178,990	\$136,166	\$171,050	\$87,845	\$166,550	\$107,775	\$53,475	

Education slides follow:

SPE Detroit Section PlastiVan Visits 2023-2024

Budget* \$25,000

Year	Location	Spent	Year	Location	Spent
10-15	Jackson Learning Fair	\$1,150	DET-Plan-05		
22 & 23	Old Grierson Middle School	\$1,150	DET-Plan-05		
6	Riverview HS	\$1,975	DET-Plan-05		
9 & 10	Kokomo MS	\$1,150	DET-Plan-05		
11	Holland Elementary	\$1,975	DET-Plan-05		
13	Beaumont Middle School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-05		
16	Beaumont High School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-05		
18 & 19	Henry Middle School	\$1,150	DET-Plan-05		
20	Cramer Junior High School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-05		
22	Bullock Creek Middle School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-05		
30	Darwin Elementary	\$1,975	DET-Plan-05		
9 & 7	Smith Middle School	\$1,150	DET-Plan-12		
9 & 9	Western Middle School	\$1,150	DET-Plan-12		
14	Care Middle School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-12		
15	Meredith Junior High School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-12		
4	Presch Elementary MS	\$1,975	DET-Plan-12		
7	Palmer MS	\$1,975	DET-Plan-12		
8	Copart Academy	\$1,975	DET-Plan-12		
8 & 9	Buick Park Middle School	\$1,150	DET-Plan-2		
10	P.A.T.S. Elementary	\$1,975	DET-Plan-2		
22	Morningside Middle School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-2		
31	Warren Middle High School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-2		
15	Warren Middle High School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-1		
15	Katherine University	\$1,975	DET-Plan-1		
22 & 23	Baker Middle School	\$1,150	DET-Plan-1		
26 & 27	Lorton Middle School	\$1,150	DET-Plan-1		
28	Salem High School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-1		
1 & 4	Salem High School	\$1,150	DET-Plan-1		
5	Carlton High School	\$1,975	DET-Plan-1		
7 & 8	South Lyon East High School	\$1,150	DET-Plan-1		
19 & 9	Taylor West Middle School	\$1,150	Opportunity for BOD support		
21-22	Heveler Middle School	\$1,150	Opportunity for BOD support		
11	Morningside Middle School	\$1,975	Opportunity for BOD support		

\$72,450 Spent
31 different schools
\$2,337/school average

2024 Remaining Budget \$2,550



Essay Contest

North Section Entries - 54

- 9 – Freeland High School
- 44 – Clare Middle School
- 1 – Jefferson Middle School

South Section High School Entries - 40

- 21 – Warren Mott High School
- 12 – American International Academy (EcoTek)
- 7 – East English Village Prep (EcoTek)

South Section Middle School Entries - 15

- 14 – American International Academy (EcoTek)
- 1 – University Middle & High School Academy (EcoTek)

Current Judge Volunteers:

- Todd Hogan
- Tom Miller
- Tom Short (North Section Teacher)
- Martin Popella
- Amanda Nummy
- Bernd Henkelman
- Laura Shereda
- Kathy Minnich

*More judges needed!

2024-2025 Scholarship

https://spedetroit.org/?page_id=2648

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Scholarship Application

The purpose of the Society of Plastics Engineers Detroit Section Scholarship is to provide funding for students attending an eligible Michigan college or university while demonstrating a high level of career interest in the Plastics Industry.

[Click here to read the Criteria for the 2024 Detroit Scholarship Application.](#)

Deadline: August 18, 2024 **DEADLINE 8/18/24**

Name (Required)

First Last

SPE CST ID / Membership #

Home Address

Street Address

Address Line 2

Communications

Rob reported that change to new website was imminent.

Neil mentioned that it was very good to see the News Brief and that it was very well done.

However sponsors were not mentioned, he asked Fang if inclusion in the News Brief was part of the agreement with sponsors.

Action Item – Fang to send latest sponsorship agreement to Neil for review.

Neil also asked how much the News Brief cost us. Keith said there was no charge, Eve walked him through the request process. Fang noted that Kathy Schacht does Leadership notifications monthly and will help with HQ requests.

Neil asked Keith to get the News Brief onto the website. Keith and Fang will follow up.

Rob asked for more updates as he had not received any from committees. Mary commented that she thought we needed to look at committee structure and responsibilities. With 17 committees listed and only 22 board members (Rob noted he thought it was 16, but not number isn't really important) that we were spread too thin and she thought we could combine and eliminated some. Neil noted that is why Next Gen was moved into Membership.

Rob said there would be space on the website to show committees, their activities and responsibilities as well as post minutes (some kind of record) of their meetings and activities. He reminded us that he had stated that as one of his objectives at the planning meeting.

Rob did say that he had been remiss in not calling a bylaws meeting and that the committee structure would be a part of those changes.

There was considerable discussion (free for all) concerning needed changes.

Rob will call a meeting. He also has been getting information from Bruce Mulholland to help in that effort.

Golf Outing

Dawn Cooper

The golf outing is not targeted to be a money maker, just break even. Dawn asked if we still wanted to do it. (after the earlier budget discussions). Sassan noted that Detroit's Golf Outing had more golfers last year than Automotive Division. **Consensus is that we should still do the Golf Outing.** Dawn is waiting for quotes from Bay Pointe, West Bloomfield (where we have been), Pine Trace, Rochester Hills, and Cherry Creek, Shelby Township. Date either June 11 or June 18. Typically the Tuesday after the planning meeting. Planning meeting has not been set yet for 2024.

Neil stressed we need to pick a date ASAP, Sassan asked who was working with Dawn on the Committee., Last year, Tom Miller, Lyle Beadle, and Karen worked on it. Lyle is no longer involved. Sassan volunteered to help.

Neil stressed locking in the date so promotions could start. Sassan supported that with reiterating that all events should be given at least 6 weeks for promotion / publicity.

Action Items: 1) select firm date and begin promoting (at least publishing date) 2) assemble team and set responsibilities.

Old / New Business

Rob Philp

Rob stated with no change of officers this year, he had not yet scheduled MSU for the planning meeting. Sassan noted we really needed one to review the accomplishments of the first year of Rob's presidency and discuss plans for next year in a face to face meeting.

Neil noted it was a good time to discuss budget issues.

Bob thought it also was a good place to present awards, especially is we were not having kick off meeting in September.

Rob will pick a date.

TPO Conference

Neil Fuenmayor

Neil presented his slides below. He noted that with the 1 year contract with hotel that he expects the costs to be about 30% higher ~ \$300,000. Sassan is trying to tie in presentations to sponsorships, he is targeting \$400,000 in sponsorships. Neil and Sassan to discuss.

Status for SPE Detroit BOD (03-11-24):

- 2024 Chairs:
 - Rob Philp
 - Mike Balow
 - Neil Fuenmayor
- Technical Program Chairs: Norm Kakarala, Mike Balow, Mark Allen, Pravin Sitaram (TBD)
- Sponsorship Chairs: Sassan Tarahomi, Martin Popella

25th Anniversary Event – Traditional Format (2 ½ Days) with Recognition & Special Elements

- Founders' Panel / *Spotifyable*
- OEM-led Panels
- Full Live Event with Virtual On Demand Access - Proposed
- Student Participation – 2024 Scholarship Program (Univ.) Elementary-Secondary School Participation (TBD)
- Executive Marketing Forum - Proposed
- 25th Anniversary Reception – TBD (SPE Sponsored) and Lunch on Wed. - TBD

Event Targets

- Positive Revenue Generation for SPE Detroit Section
- Attendance Target: 500 min.
- Key Demographic Growth Targets: Increase Global Participation; Increase OEM and Tier 1 Participation

Status for SPE Detroit BOD, continued:

- Monthly Full Team Meetings (2 x in Aug. and Sept.) – Currently 46 Members
 - Teams (Sub-Committees) largely complete and functioning
- Preliminary Budget – In Progress – To be completed in May 2024
 - 2024 costs expected to be higher than 2023 (~30%) – New 2024 Contract with Hotel (Lower Discount)
- 2024 Attendee Rates – In Progress (Target: End March 2024)
- 2024 Scholarship Program Complete – Active (Aug. 11, Deadline)
- Hotel Reservation (Group Rate) Complete – Open
- Preliminary "Call for Presentations" Complete and Active (May 1 Deadline)
- Preliminary Graphics Complete / In Use
- Promotional Efforts (to date):
 - Website Updates - Continuous
 - (2) Social Media Campaigns (Feb. 2024)
 - (1) Emailed E-Blast (Feb. 2024)
- Upcoming Promotions: SPE Plastics Engineering Campaign (Apr. 2024); SPE Social Media Campaign

Status for SPE Detroit BOD, continued:

- Technical Program Status (to date)
 - (6) Technical Session Formed
 - Materials
 - Interior
 - Sustainability
 - Exterior
 - Processing
 - Additives/Colorants
 - Target: Min. 60 Presentations (not including any Panels)
- Sponsorship Status (to date)
 - 29 Total Sponsors: \$195,550 Invoiced / \$55,000 Received**
 - 2 Platinum (Formosa, Advanced Composites) – 2 Receptions Sponsored
 - 19 Gold
 - 8 Exhibitor
 - 1 Break Sponsored (Sirmak) + 1 Pending
 - Lanyards – Sponsored (Spartan)
 - Bag – Sponsored (Borealis)

2024 Prelim. Sponsorship Targets
5 Platinums
6 Diamonds
36 Golds
8 Exhibitors
8 Break & Breakfast Sponsors
8 Advertising Sponsorships
4 Promotional Sponsorships

Programs

Rob reviewed slides he received from Martin who is currently traveling on business in Germany. WE need suggestions for speakers at TDMs as well as other event suggestions. Martin is working with Dave to set up event at IACMI, tentative May 6.

Gran Prix event is expensive. Neil said we should investigate partnering with Automotive Division. He also noted we have to make decision on Gran Prix and Dream Cruise ASAP. Sassan will bring up a Automotive BoD meeting.

This year probably no Red Wings event, Definitely have time to follow through on a Tigers event. People should definitely check out Central Indiana Section's Indy 500 Pre-race Friday May 18 event. Great event, family friendly.



Update: TDM

Technical Dinner Meetings

- Continue search for Speakers and Hosts Second planned event for June 2024
- No interest from Freudenberg, Plymouth
- No success with ONE Battery, Novi
- Contacted several Tier-1/Tier-2 businesses

Next TDM @ IACMI in Detroit - Date t.b.d. - Suggestion May 6th

Update: Automotive Events

Detroit City Grand Prix
Woodward Dreamcruise

Update: Socializing Events

SPE Detroit Section
Craft Beer Tour 2023/2024



- If decided to do a follow-up event after Oxford
- Location Brighton/Ann Arbor area
- Potential location Becker Brewery Brighton
- Potential timing first half June 2024

Report for newsletter promised to Eve a while ago - will be finished this week.

DCGP24 - May 31st - June 2nd



Since Hospitality options were way outside of budget (\$1,500 per person)

Checked other options: Parking garage tailgating tickets is \$500 for 4 tickets, multiple tickets cant be combined / Non-for-profit specials. Maybe we just do single admissions and go there as a group involving families at approx. \$80 per person.

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Sports/Family events under evaluation and in planning: Detroit Tigers / Lions / Red Wings - Sport Event/ Octoberfest

Detroit Tigers Season starts March 28th 2024

Friday 4/5: Home opener Comerica Park vs. Oakland - Tickets starting \$60/each

Detroit Lions - NFL season almost at the end - Ticket pricing seems to be an ongoing issue

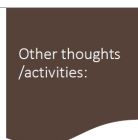
Detroit Red Wings Season ongoing until April 2024 - appears the most reasonable option

Detroit Tigers Season starts March 28th 2024

Friday 4/5: Home opener Comerica Park vs. Oakland - Tickets starting \$60/each

Other tickets available.

In contact with Tigers in regards to group admission and potential specials.



Still the same story as presented, still like the idea, so far time prohibited to push this any further...

14 Mar 2024
 We hope you are enjoying your experience at RAPID - TCT!
 At 2 p.m. CT today, take a break in the SME ZONE, booth 1556, with SME Membership and SME Chicago Chapter 5. Enjoy a cup of coffee and a homemade cookie and mingle with new and seasoned industry leaders in the SME member community. This informal meet-up allows you to expand your Additive Manufacturing network in a casual environment, meet SME leaders, learn about SME engagement opportunities, and network with fellow members.
 Don't miss a chance to win! Attendees at this event will have an option to submit a business card into a card box to be entered into a drawing for a Chicago themed goodie basket. No registration required. Must be present to win.
 Contact membership@asma.org with any questions. Hope to see you there!

Indy 500 - Fast Friday / Event together with Central Indiana Section / May 18th 2024 **Executive Summary TDM**

- New Event Series: Detroit Section Craftbeer Tour / Follow-up event?
- New TDM at IACMI planned for May (potential date May 6th)
- New Automotive Event DCGP / Woodward Dreamcruise / Indy 500 with Central Indiana Section
- Octoberfest 2024 (eventually in combination with Brewery Event)
- Section Family Sports Event planned - (Tigers)
- Cookie Corner Event still not yet defined

Action Item: Need to set an overall calendar to improve planning and promotions.

AutoEPCON

Neil asked about having SPE Detroit promotional material / booth at AutoEPCON May 14, 2024. Dave said of course we were doing that. It could be manned or unmanned. Maybe Eve or Membership Committee can staff. Neil said it would be there at least unmanned. Dave said

planning for AutoEPCON is going well, Committee is meeting this Thursday.

Along those lines, Neil asked Sassan if we were still welcome to set up the booth at the EAV Conference (PLASTICS IN ELECTRIC AND AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES, April 8-10)
Sassan said of course. Neil will set up a plan with Sassan.

Awards

Norm suggested we do something to recognize Dave's HSM award. Rob said June meeting probably would be a good time for that.

Inter society ESD

Bob Petrach

We plan to present our SPE Detroit awards in front of ESD Gold Awards crowd. This is primarily a photo op for us (and other affiliate societies which will present their awards). The only speaker will be Gold Awards Honoree: **James Boileau, PhD, FASM** , Nominated by: **ASM International Detroit Chapter**



The poster for the 53rd Gold Award Reception & Recognition 2024 features the ESD logo and a portrait of James Boileau, PhD, FASM. It lists the 2024 Gold Award Honoree as James Boileau, PhD, FASM, and the 2024 Ann O. Fletcher Award for Distinguished Service as Sharan Kalswani. The event is scheduled for March 20, 2024, at the Sheraton Grand Longmead Hotel in Southfield, MI. The poster also includes information about the award's purpose, sponsors (Hartland Insurance Group and Citizens), and registration details.

ANTEC Reports

Other than SPE Foundation slides shown earlier, there was no ANTEC report given by Sassan or Tom. Bob noted that ANTEC just ended, ANTEC attendees didn't have much time to do reports yet. Tom said new Councilor training was good. Tom will prepare a Councilor meeting report.

Sassan moved to adjourn, Neil seconded. Meeting closed at 7:49.

Next BOD Meeting: May 13, 2024 ACC Office / Zoom

Minutes respectfully submitted by Bob Petrach, Secretary SPE Detroit.

Agenda for this meeting follows.



SPE Detroit Section – BOD Meeting

Proposed Agenda for March 11, 2024

ACC/SPE Office – Troy, MI & Virtual

Next BOD Meeting: May 13 , 2024 ACC Office

Topic: SPE Detroit Section Board Meeting

Time: March 11, 2024 05:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/95407170308?pwd=bXFYlNvbDdickk5N0Z5Z25oMW9qUT09>

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5:00 PM		
5:30 PM Meeting Start	President	Rob Philp
	Meeting Call to Order	Rob Philp
	Roll Call, Welcome, and Introductions	Rob Philp
5:45 PM	Approval of Minutes (September 11, 2023)	Bob Petrach
6:00 PM	President's Message	Rob Philp
6:10 PM	Treasurer's Report	Dave Okonski
	- Budget Proposal for 2023-24 – New	
	- Financial Audit	
6:20 PM	Education/ Scholarship Committee	Sandra McDlelland / Tom Miller
6:35 PM	SPE Foundation / PlastiVan / PlastiVideo	Eve Vitale
6:50 PM	President-Elect	Fang Wang
7:10 PM	Second Vice-President	Dr. Mary Gilliam
7:20 PM	Newsletter	Eve Vitale
7:25 PM	Old/New Business	All
7:30 PM	Meeting Adjourned	Rob Philp