

**Minutes of the Meeting of the South Texas Board of the Society of Plastics Engineers – 3/13/2023**

The March meeting of the SPE-STX Board of Directors was held virtually. There were not enough members participating initially to declare a quorum.

<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Attendees</b>
Iman Bahrani, President	Preston McDaniel, Vice-President
Peter Lauzon, Past President	Jason Ball, Member at Large
Steve King, Membership	Donna Davis, Member at Large
Tom Walsh, Secretary	Janell Helton

Opening: The Board meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of the minutes of the February meeting was postponed to April.

2023 Polyolefins Committee: Vassilios Galiatsatos was not able to attend this meeting. A review of the March 13<sup>th</sup>'s 2023 IPOC committee meeting reported the following:

- 882 registered attendees and over \$211,000 in revenue,
- 134 speakers (101 total presentations),
- 53 paid exhibitors (55 total) and approximately \$240,000 in revenue.
- Sponsorships have brought in more than \$50,000 in revenue.
- Total income before expenses is approximately \$500,000.
- Feedback was very positive both from exhibitors, attendees, and speakers.
- The committee discussed future dates. It was agreed to not conflict with APR meetings.
- IPOC 2024 is scheduled for February 18 to 21.
- Dates for IPOC 2025 are proposed for February 14 to 21<sup>st</sup>. Approval of the South Texas Board is needed. Janell agreed to put this approval out for a vote of Board members.
- Vassilios formed a task group to look into issues with PheedLoop.

Councilor Report: No report.

Treasurers Report: No report.

Technical Programs: No report.

Membership: Steve King reported that we have had an increase of 23 members to a total of 294 members. This increase was not due to new members joining from the 2023 Polyolefins Conference.

Education Committee: Steve King reported that he discussed education Committee topics with David Hansen, and they are still trying to get local Universities more engaged.

Old Business: No items were brought up.

New Business: Donna Davis reported that there will not be an official Council Meeting at ANTEC. There is no Council Agenda and no decisions meeting. She was unsure why this was occurring.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Tom Walsh, Secretary