

ASSE Gulf Coast Chapter Energy Corridor Section (ECS)

December 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Secretary – Elizabeth Cunningham

Registration, Lunch, and Networking –

Twenty-six members and guests attended the December ECS meeting. Thanks to all who came and participated in the meeting!

Meeting Opening and Building Safety – Tabitha Laser, ECS Chairperson, welcomed attendees to the meeting. Tabitha also shared the cold weather alert issued for the City of Houston. Rod McCain briefed the meeting membership as to the emergency procedures for the room/building.

Pledge of Allegiance – Attendees participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Self-introductions - Attendees were asked to introduce themselves and to identify if they were searching for jobs or had job vacancies they planned to fill. Prospective members were provided with ASSE welcome/registration packages by David Drake, Membership Chairperson.

ECS Lessons Learned

- Martin Robb presented lessons learned from a tank cleaning incident that resulted in a fatality. This was a confined space entry situation. Martin noted that OSHA statistics indicate 4.8 million confined space entries each year and average 92 fatalities and 11,000 injuries per year.
- The presentation can be found on the ECS web site.
- Anyone who wishes to volunteer for this committee, or who has a lessons learned they can present, should contact Tabitha or Michael Maissey.

Presentation

Technical Topic: "Transformation of a Healthcare Institution"

Speaker: Dale Goss, MBA, MPH, CSP with BSI

Section Business

1. Meeting Minutes: Minutes from the November meeting were approved.
2. Report: About \$250. Liz Cunningham will be assuming the treasurer role.
3. Membership Report: 277 ECS members.
4. ECS Newsletter: Tabitha will send it out the newsletter prepared by Cory Worden.
5. Open ECS positions: Vice-chair (Paul Crook stepped down); WISE representative; BISE representative; Student Member Representative. Please call Tabitha if interested in serving in any of these roles.
6. ECS Holiday Social and Membership Drive: December 13, 2016, 6-9 pm. at Mo's Place 21940 Kingsland Blvd, Katy, TX. Deadline for registration is Friday, December 9. Costs – free to ASSE/AIHA members and EHS professionals, \$30 for others. Vendor sponsorship is also welcome. Raffle prizes will be given out. Decoration of venue at 4 pm. on December 12.
7. ECS Future Meetings:
 - January 12, 2017 – Speaker: Stephen Gray, ASSE Region III Vice President. Topic: ASSE Regional Update . New Location: Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77449.
 - February 9, 2017 – Speaker: Fernando Barboza of BLCS. Topic: Implementation of an Occupational Health Program. Location: Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77449.

- March 9, 2017 - Speaker: Yaneira E Saud of ERM. Topic: Fit for Purpose – Any Industry-specific Assessment. Location: Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77449.
8. Other Meetings
- January 12, 2017 - Fleet Safety Symposium, University of Texas JJ Pickle Campus, Austin, TX. <https://www.regonline.com/2017ASSE>.
 - February 7-8, 2017 – IADC H&S Conference. <http://www.iadc.org/events/#2017>
 - February 9-16, 2017 – ASSE SeminarFest. The Rio (hotel). Las Vegas, NV. <http://seminarfest.asse.org/>
 - June 4-7, 2017 – American Industrial Hygiene Conference & Exposition (AIHCE) 2017; Seattle, Washington. <http://www.aihce2017.org/Pages/default.aspx>
 - June 19-22, 2017 – ASSE Safety 2017 Professional Development Conference & Exposition. Colorado Convention Center, Denver, Colorado. <http://safety.asse.org/>
9. Links to ECS web sites:
- ECS linked-in group is now open: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/65589999>
 - ECS Lessons Learned topics, presentations, and template: <http://gulfcoast.asse.org/energy-corridor/energy-corridor-lessons-learned/>
 - ECS jobs web site: <http://gulfcoast.asse.org/energy-corridor/energy-corridor-resumes-jobs/>

Closing

1. This was the last ECS meeting to be held at the Wood Group Mustang facilities.
 - Rod McCain, founder of the ECS, thanked all for coming to the meetings at Wood Group Mustang and for developing a strong section. He further asked all ECS members to consider whether the ECS should petition to become a stand-alone chapter; conceding that much more work would be required as a stand-alone chapter.
 - ECS Chair thanked Rod McCain for hosting ECS for the past three years and for all his work to establish ECS.
2. ECS Chair thanked everyone for attendance and wished everyone a great day!
3. Meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.

2016-2017 ECS Executive Officer Attendance

- + Tabitha Laser, Chairperson
- x Paul Crook, Vice Chairperson (resigned position)
- + Elizabeth Cunningham, Secretary
- x Nick Nixon, Treasurer
- + David Drake, Membership Chairperson
- x Cory Worden, Program Chairperson/Newsletter Chairperson