

## **ASSE Gulf Coast Chapter Energy Corridor Section (ECS)**

### **March 9, 2017 Meeting Minutes**

Secretary – Elizabeth Cunningham

**Registration, Lunch, and Networking** – Twenty-three (23) members and guests attended the March ECS meeting held at Spring Creek BBQ. 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 briefed the meeting attendees 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. (Note: send job leads or resumes to Tabitha if interested in having them posted to the ECS web site.)

### **ECS Lessons Learned**

- Tabitha Laser presented lessons learned from an electrical safety incident. Reminder: Always conduct the verification step of the LOTO process: Lockout – Tagout – Tryout (*verify*)
- Volunteers were requested to present the upcoming lessons learned topics. To submit a case for presentation or to volunteer to present, please contact someone on the Lessons Learned Committee: Norman Ritchie (chair), Zulfiya Samedova, Michael T Maisey, Martin Robb.
- Presentations can be found on the ECS web site. Subjects for future meetings will be:
  - April: Dropped Objects
  - May: Energy Isolations
  - June: Layers of protection (design)
  - July: Loss of Containment
  - August: Fire Safety
  - September: Lifting Operations
  - October: Permit-to-Work

### **Presentation**

Technical Topic: “Risk Control Management - A Case to Develop a Comprehensive, Accurate, and Operational Process Safety Management System Across Your Business”

Speaker: Yaneira E Saud of ERM.

### **Section Business**

1. Membership Report: 280 ECS members.
2. ECS Newsletter: Please send any articles to Manuel “Manny” Gonzales.
3. Technical Topics for Meetings: Contact Norman Ritchie, Programs Chair, if interested in presenting a technical topic at a meeting.
4. June elections – Contact Tabitha if you are interested in holding one of the ECS elected positions (Chair, Secretary/Treasurer, Membership Chair) or in serving as a vice-chair or representative to other groups (e.g., WISE, BISE, students).
5. ECS Future Meetings:
  - April 13, 2017 – Speaker: Ken Wells (Lifeline Strategies). Technical Topic: Operating Procedures: Underused Tool for Safety and Quality? Location: Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77449.

- May 11, 2017 - Speaker: Tom Knode (Contek Solutions). Technical Topic: What is Your Company Doing to Prevent Incidents on the Road? Location: Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77449.
- June 8, 2017 and July 13, 2017 – Speakers and topics are being developed. Location: Spring Creek BBQ, 21000 Katy Fwy, Katy, TX 77449.

#### 6. Other Meetings

- April 3-5, 2017 – BLR Safety Summit; Austin, TX
- May 17-18 – AFPM National Occupational & Process Safety Conference; New Orleans, LA
- June 4-7, 2017 – American Industrial Hygiene Conference & Exposition (AIHCe) 2017; Seattle, Washington.
- June 19-22, 2017 – ASSE Safety 2017 Professional Development Conference & Exposition. Colorado Convention Center, Denver, Colorado.
- August 1-7, 2017 – NAEM Corporate Sustainability Management Conference; Chicago, IL
- September 3-6, 2017 – Annual Worker S&H XXI World Congress; Singapore
- September 11-13, 2017 – ASSE Region III Professional Development Conference; Hurst Conference Center; Hurst, Texas. <http://www.regionthreepdc.com/>
- September 23-29, 2017 – NSC Congress & Expo; Indianapolis, IN
- October 25-27, 2017 – NAEM EHS Management Forum; Fort Lauderdale, FL

#### 7. Links to ECS web sites:

- ECS linked-in group: <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/>

8. Cory Worden (former ECS program/newsletter chairperson) received the Safety Professional of the Year award from the Healthcare Practice Specialty. He and his son are facing medical challenges at this time. Cards were signed and will be sent to Cory to wish him well.
9. Regulatory Updates: Aspects of the OSHA record-keeping rule may be overturned. Other revised/to be revised standards: NFPA 70E, API RP 75, Z359.15, NRC radioactive materials licensing.

**Closing** - ECS Chair thanked everyone for attendance and wished everyone a great day! Meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm.

#### **2016-2017 ECS Executive Officer Attendance**

- + Tabitha Laser, Chairperson
- + Elizabeth Cunningham, Secretary/Treasurer
- + David Drake, Membership Chairperson
- x Norman Ritchie, Program Chairperson