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A Message from the Chair

New Year - New Vice Chairperson



Dear Fellow SPE Members,

I would like to start by wishing all of you a wonderful New Year, and trust that everyone enjoyed their 2011 Holiday Season.

During our Board meeting of December 13th we addressed two very significant issues for the Section. First, I would like to announce, with great pleasure, that your Board of

Directors has a new Vice Chairperson, Dr. Steve Cheung. The Board unanimously voted to appoint Steve to this very prominent and responsible position. Steve has exemplary experience and service to SPE, including committee membership and organization of SPE workshops and symposiums (Houston, TX; Xian, China; Dubai, UAE; Tsingtao, China; and Langkawi, Malaysia). He has held the honor of being an SPE Distinguished Lecturer, and also served on the SPE Distinguished Lecturer Committee. Please join me and give Steve our congratulations, as we are honored to have him as a member of our Board.

The second item of major significance was approval of the 2012 budget. Thanks to our Treasurer, Rick Finken, we were well informed of considerations for each line item, and had some lively discussions regarding several of them. The final budget for 2012 shows a marginal positive balance at fiscal year end (September 30th) of \$750. Our major anticipated income is from the golf tournament (about 70% of the total), while the two largest budgeted expenses are the golf tournament and scholarships (approximately 67% of total expenses).

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PETROLEUM TECHNOLOGY FORUM PROGRAM, JANUARY 10, 2011

The next Petroleum Technology Forum will be held Tuesday, January 10th at the Long Beach Petroleum Club. The speaker will be Dr. Fred Aminzadeh of USC *Abstract and speaker bio follow on page 3.*

<u>Location:</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Cost:</u>
Long Beach Petroleum Club 3636 Linden Avenue Long Beach, CA 90807	Registration: 11:30 AM Buffet Lunch: 11:30 AM Presentation: 12:00-1:00 PM	\$20.00 members, \$25.00 non-members, Free for students

Message from the Chair...*continued from page 1*

This year will be exploring new initiatives to increased positive cash flow into the Section. These include possibly half-day courses for industry professionals, and additional luncheon workshops on technology of interest to local operators.

On other subjects, I would like to inform the membership that the campaign to recommend a candidate for the new Western Regional Director has successfully drawn to a conclusion. The final announcement of the outcome is in the hands of SPE, and the results are anticipated in June.

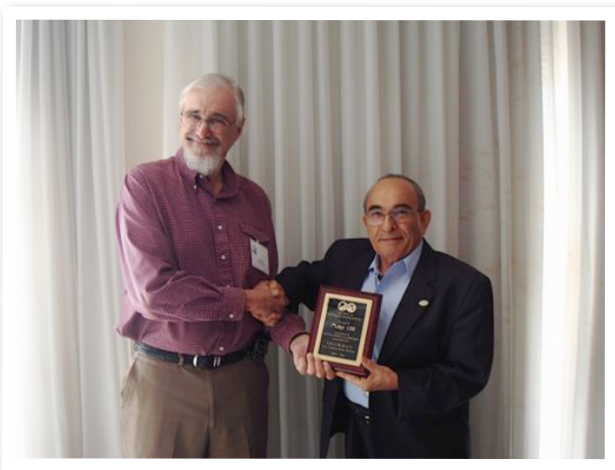
There is a "short fuse" still burning on nominations for Orange County Engineering Council awards. The deadline has been extended to Jan. 7th. This would be a great opportunity for you to nominate a colleague for recognition of an outstanding accomplishment, or successful completion of a significant project in Southern California. The required documentation is time wise very efficient (please see www.ocec.org).

The opportunity for volunteering for MESA Day activities is now upon us (Mar. 3rd and Mar. 17th). Our MESA Day Chairperson, Scott Hara, would look forward to hearing from you as a new activity champion, volunteer, or supporter.

We should all be looking forward to a great year in 2012, and taking advantage of the enriching experiences that can be gained through active participation in the LASPE. In anticipation of your support, I would like to thank all of you.

Eric Withjack
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CHAIRPERSON FOR 2010-2011 RECEIVES SPE AWARD



Mike Utt receives SPE Award for outstanding leadership and service during his tenure as LASPE Chairman during 2010-2011

FORUM FROM PAGE 1 . . .

PETROLEUM TECHNOLOGY FORUM JANUARY 10, 2012

Geophysical Monitoring of Reservoirs

Dr. Fred Aminzadeh
 Director of USC Reservoir Monitoring Consortium

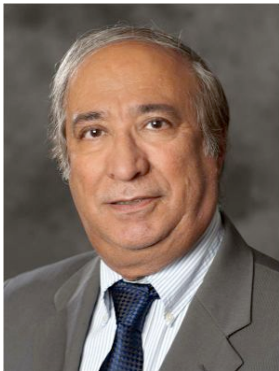
Abstract:

As improved recovery from old reservoirs and effective production from new reservoirs gain importance, monitoring changes in the reservoirs and producing from them in an optimum manner becomes crucial. Geophysical data have proven to be an important tool for obtaining information about the reservoir properties away from the existing wells. Such information is not only crucial for characterizing oil and gas reservoirs and developing the field, but also in many other stages of reservoir life from its exploration to its abandonment. I will introduce many uses of geophysical data in general and seismic data in particular for reservoir monitoring related work. Some of the key aspects of this lecture include:

- 4D volumetric inversion to monitor reservoir pressure, saturation, and permeability changes
- Integrated reservoir model updating and history matching using different types of geophysical data (e.g. time lapse seismic, borehole gravity, borehole to borehole tomography, three component data and controlled source electromagnetics)
- Passive seismic monitoring with a focus on monitoring hydrofrac process in shale oil and gas reservoirs
- Seismic acquisition, processing and analysis for CO₂ sequestration & monitoring
- Special issues for reservoir monitoring of mature oil fields, including the carbonate reservoirs and how the effectiveness of the EOR process could be monitored
- Monitoring high temperature and / or high pressure reservoirs including those in the deep water fields.

This lecture will provide a good understanding of the state of the art of geophysical monitoring of oil and gas reservoirs and their cost / benefit. The one thing I hope the engineers to think about after attending this lecture is: In dealing with reservoir monitoring issues or getting handle on a reservoir property away from the borehole, how geophysics can help?

Bio – Dr. Fred Aminzadeh:



Dr. Fred Aminzadeh is professor of Petroleum Engineering at the University of Southern California and Director of USC Reservoir Monitoring Consortium (rnc.usc.edu). He is also on the advisory board of Saratoga Resources. His technical interests include: reservoir characterization / monitoring, smart oil fields, passive and 4D seismic, fractured reservoir, and geothermal. He was the president of Society of Exploration Geophysicists (2007-2008). He worked in technical and management positions at Unocal (now Chevron) and was president and CEO of dGB-USA. He served on the NSF National Research Council and the DOE's Unconventional Resource Technology Advisory Committee (URTAC). He has given many industry courses, keynote speeches, webinars, and interviews on both technical and strategic issues on various aspects of geophysical technologies in many countries. He led \$25 MM 3D Seismic Modeling project, receiving the 2005 SEG Special Commendation Award. He also led the industry sponsored DeepLook Prediction Team. He

holds 3 US patents, authored 12 books and over 350 papers on pattern recognition, image processing, neural networks, fuzzy logic, 3D seismic modeling, seismic attributes, advanced seismic data processing, AVO, gas chimneys, absorption and reservoir characterization. He received the SPE 2011 Western North America Regional Award for Reservoir Description and Dynamics. He holds a Ph.D. degree from USC.

Leila Rashedi Vlasko
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PHOTOS FROM
DECEMBER PRESENTATION

**EVALUATION OF PIPES
USING LONG-RANGE GUIDED WAVE ULTRASONICS**

Dr. Reyaz Sabet-Sharghi, IESCO



LA SPE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS APRIL 6, 2012

Decision will be at board meeting on May 8, 2012

The purpose of LASPE's scholarship program is to encourage students to pursue science and engineering curriculums and to increase their awareness of career opportunities in the petroleum industry. The LASPE awards scholarships to local university graduate, undergraduate students and local high school students.

Scholarship criteria and application forms may be downloaded from LASPE.org web page.

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The scholarships that are available are:

Mei Chang Memorial Scholarship: \$500 awards are available for local high school graduates entering college in the fall of their graduating year. This scholarship is a tribute to Ms. Mei Chang, a Sr. Research Scientist with Chevron. She is remembered for her steady contributions to LASPE and for tutoring science and math high school students. The awards are available to children, grandchildren and siblings of LASPE members. The 2011 award winners were Erica Withjack and Kyle Walker.

Undergraduate Scholarships: \$500 scholarships are available for regional undergraduate college students pursuing petroleum engineering or geology, chemical, civil, mechanical, environmental or related engineering curriculums. The 2011 award winners were Matthew Perry and George Romero.

Graduate Scholarships: \$1,000 scholarships are available for college graduate students pursuing studies or conducting research in energy and petroleum related subjects in the southern California regional area. The 2011 award winners were Shahram Nia, Hamid Jahangiri, Mohammad Javaheri, Kingsley Madiebo, Sanaz Norouzi, Robert Saldana, Hasan Shojaei, Tayeb Tafti, Mohammad Yadecuri, and Asal Zeynal.

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LA SPE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE CONTINUES...

Bruce Davis Memorial Scholarship: \$1,000 plus awards are available for USC students pursuing graduate studies in petroleum related fields, chemical engineering and chemistry. Dr. Davis, a 26-year employee of Chevron, considered himself an experimental chemist and wished to encourage students with science backgrounds to pursue a future career in the Petroleum Industry. The 2011 award winner was Parham Ghods.

Robert & Elly Visser Scholarship: Robert C. Visser is a private consultant in Torrance, California with over forty years' experience in offshore oil and gas field development. The Vissers are sponsoring a LASPE Graduate student scholarship to help an academically deserving student in the pursuit of an advanced degree and future career as an engineer in the offshore petroleum industry. To this end they have generously sponsored a \$1,000 award available each year to a southern California university student who is pursuing engineering graduate studies with an emphasis in offshore development, structures or systems. The 2011 award winner was Siamak Koloushani.

The main funding vehicle for the LASPE Scholarship Program is the annual LASPE Charity Golf Tournament. The Davis family generously donates funds in support of the Bruce Davis Memorial scholarship. Additional funds come from other sources and SPE International supports the scholarship program through annual rebates to the Section for a portion of the awards.

In addition to the above, the SPE Foundation annually awards the [Gus Archie Memorial Scholarship](#), a four-year, \$6,000 annual grant to the outstanding college freshman pursuing an undergraduate degree in petroleum engineering. The [application](#) for this scholarship can be found on the SPE website.

**REMINDER - SPE MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS DUE
DECEMBER 31 !!!!**



MESA OUTREACH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

WE NEED YOU for our Community and Educational Outreach Events on March 3 & 17!

LASPE is seeking Volunteers for educational outreach activities to be held on two Saturdays, March 3 and 17, 2012, at CSU Long Beach School of Engineering. We will be supporting over 1150 students from local middle and high schools belonging to the Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) program at their annual MESA Day events. MESA works with over 21,000 educationally disadvantaged grade K-16 students throughout California so they can excel in math and science and graduate from four-year colleges with math-based degrees. For more information about MESA, go to <http://mesa.ucop.edu/about/>.

What is MESA Day? Hands-on math and science competitions give students a chance to meet like-minded students and vie for awards. Students follow MESA-developed curriculum that reinforce California state math and science content standards. Top winners of local competitions advance to regional and, in some instances, national contests. Our local CSULB center has the current Middle School National Champions and High School State Champions for the 2011 Wind Energy Challenge (Windmill) National Project. Middle and High School projects are listed below, with hot-links for the rules. The Middle School MESA Day is March 3 and High School MESA Day is March 17.

Volunteers can select which day(s) to attend and three ways to participate:

- 1) Test Proctor for practice Math/English curriculum tests for middle school students and practice SAT tests for high school students; arrive 8am, finish about 11am. Need 3-4 volunteers per day.
- 2) Judge a MESA Day Project Competition; arrive 8am, finish about 1pm. Need 12-16 volunteers per day.
- 3) Teach or Demonstrate Science-based principles to the students through hands-on projects. We plan to set up several canopy-covered booths within the School of Engineering grounds. Arrive by 8am, finish about 1:30pm. Need 10-15 volunteers per day. We have some project ideas, and appreciate your input for several more hands-on science projects.

Volunteers will be served a continental breakfast and lunch. This is a fun day to interact with students and teachers and serve our community. As you can see, we will need about 30-40 volunteers each Saturday, so please join us and encourage your friends and family members to volunteer too.

How to Participate

Interested persons should contact our LASPE Community Outreach Chairperson, Scott Hara, at scott_hara@oxy.com or cell phone at 626-482-6757.

Middle School Competitions

Grades 6-8

- » [National Engineering Design Challenge](#)
- » [Pilot - Prosthetic Arm](#) - new!
- » [Oracle ThinkQuest](#) -new!
- » [Wind Energy Challenge](#)
- » [Mousetrap Car - Distance](#)
- » [Stick Together](#)
- » [EggXpress](#)
- » [Model Science - The Eye](#)
- » [Wright Stuff Glider](#)
- » Speak Up: »[6th](#); [7th/8th](#)
- » [Solo Math](#)
- » [Team Math Quest](#)

MESA OUTREACH CONTINUES...

High School Competitions

Grades 9-10

- » [National Engineering Design Challenge](#)
- » [Pilot - Prosthetic Arm](#) - new!
- » [Oracle ThinkQuest](#) - new!
- » [Wind Energy Challenge](#)
- » [Mousetrap Car-Accuracy](#)
- » [Manila Mechanics](#)
- » [Model Science - Human Brain](#)
- » [EggXpress](#)
- » [Wright Stuff Glider](#)
- » [Speak Out](#)
- » [Solo Math](#)
- » [Team Math Quest](#)

Grades 11-12

- » [National Engineering Design Challenge](#)
- » [Pilot - Prosthetic Arm](#) - new!
- » [Oracle ThinkQuest](#) - new!
- » [Wind Energy Challenge](#)
- » [Mousetrap Car-Power](#)
- » [Civil Structures](#)
- » [Robotic Arm](#) - updated!
- » [EggXpress](#)
- » [Wright Stuff Plane](#)
- » [Speak Easy](#)
- » [Solo Math](#)
- » [Team Math Quest](#)

Schools Served by MESA Center at CSULB:

Middle Schools: Alondra, Bellflower, Burcham, Carnegie, Curtiss, Dodson, Franklin, Hamilton, Henry, Hill, Hollydale, Hoover, Hudson, Jackson, Lindbergh, Lindsey Academy, Marshall, Paramount Park, Powell, Robinson Academy, Stephens, Washington, White, Wilmington, Zamboni

High Schools: Artesia, Bellflower, Cabrillo, California Academy of Math and Science, Jordan Freshman Academy, Jordan, Lakewood, Millikan, Paramount High, Paramount High (West Campus), Polytechnic, Wilson

Number of Students Served: 1,172



Past MESA competitions

NEW STUDY ON INTEGRATED S.T.E.M. EDUCATION

Submitted: Baldev S. Gill (NAE Frontiers Alumni)

Source: NATIONAL ACADEMY OF ENGINEERING

The BRIDGE Linking Engineering and Society
Agricultural and Information Technology
Fall 2011, Pg 52.

In collaboration with the National Research Council (NRC) Board on Science Education, NAE has launched a new study to explore the potential and challenges of integrated K-12 STEM (*science, technology, engineering, mathematics*) education. Over a period of many years, considerable investments have been made in research to improve K-12 STEM teaching and learning. Most of this research has focused on single subjects in the STEM quartet, most often science or mathematics. This orientation is important, not only because it is consistent with the way education is delivered in this country, but also because of the complexity and lack of understanding of how students acquire knowledge and skills in each of the STEM disciplines.

One aspect of STEM education that has received relatively little attention is how and to what degree the four subject areas are, or might be, integrated in primary and secondary curricula and the potential impact of integration on learning. Connections among STEM subjects are commonplace in the world we live in but are largely absent in K-12 classrooms. Advocates of STEM integration argue that STEM subjects would be more relevant to students and teachers, would enhance motivation for learning, would improve student achievement, would address calls for students with better workplace and college-readiness skills, and would increase the number of students who might consider careers in STEM-related fields.

The goal of the 36-month NAE/ NRC study is to develop a research agenda for determining the value - in terms of student achievement, motivation, career aspirations, and other factors - of integrated K-12 STEM education in the United States. Margaret Honey, president and CEO of the New York Hall of Science, is chair of the 15 person study committee. The project is funded by the S.D. Bechtel, Jr. Foundation, the National Science Foundation, the Samueli Foundation, and PTC, Inc.

REMARKS BY WNAR DIRECTOR

Sam Sarem, Ph.D., P.E., SPE Director



Dear WNAR Colleagues,

I hope you had a wonderful Holiday Season and are rested and fresh to set up your goals for the New Year.

At the Region level, we were blessed to have five outstanding candidates for the 2012-2015 WNAR Director position, which made the selection decision by the Section Chairs very difficult as the candidates were all truly capable and any one of them could do a marvelous job as WNAR Director. In alphabetical order, they were: Louis Castanier, Ramon Elias, Roland Horne, Young Kirkwood and Tom Walsh. Thank you Jerry Hale for heading the Nominating Committee and thank you the Section Chairs for your input. I would also like to give a heart felt thanks to the nominees for volunteering to serve SPE in that capacity.

Because of the excellence of all candidates, I have presented all five candidate's names to SPE along with the rankings by the WNAR Council, which were very close. SPE will review the qualifications and make a decision. The results will be announced in June and if not contested, will be final for October. If contested, a region-wide election will be held.

The National Engineers Week on Feb 20-26 will provide opportunities for getting points toward becoming the President's Outstanding Section by publicizing your outstanding Petroleum Engineering Projects and the use of Energy 4 Me Kits. So let's all try to tell the public about our industry by individual speeches, project tours, newspaper articles, and interviews by radio, television, clubs, etc.

Another very important activity coming up is the 2012 WRM being hosted by SJV Section in Bakersfield in 19-23 March. Your help is urgently needed not only to help the Section Chair, Larry Miller; Andrei Popa, Young Kirkwood and Ron Behren and others running the meeting, but getting a good slate of **Awards Nominees before the Feb 1 deadline**. Remember that we need nominees for eight technical areas plus outstanding Young Professionals, Corporation and Service to SPE and Community.

Happy New Year to all,
A.M. Sam Sarem, Ph.D., P.E., SPE Director
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**SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS
-- 2012 WESTERN REGIONAL MEETING --
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA MARCH 19-23, 2012**

Dear Potential Exhibitor,

The Western Region – Society of Petroleum Engineers is holding a convention in Bakersfield, California, from March 19 – 23, 2012. This convention will provide petroleum professionals, students, and West Coast educators with opportunities to attend oral presentations, exhibits, posters, continuing education short courses, field trips, and symposia. Many presentations and posters will focus on topics specific to California's petroleum industry, as well as topics common to all western states. This year we are expecting 400-500 registrants and exhibitors.

I am pleased to announce the availability of exhibitor booth spaces for the 2012 convention, at the Marriott Hotel and Rabobank Convention Center. The meeting will bring together engineers from across the western states and beyond this meeting will provide an exciting opportunity for the exchange of ideas on a broad range of engineering topics. A robust technical program, blended with the wonderful networking, marketing, and socializing opportunities provided by the exhibition will make this a memorable conference. An Icebreaker reception is scheduled in the Exhibition area from 6-8 PM on Tuesday, March 20th as well as socials each afternoon.

What Exhibiting Does For You

Your decision to exhibit at the 2012 Western Region SPE Meeting will expose your company's products and services to a concentrated group of industry managers and decision-makers. This is a great opportunity to introduce new products and services, acquire valuable new sales leads, interact directly with customers, and establish or solidify relationships with key buyers.

Your Exhibit Investment Includes

- Standard booth equipment: 8'x10' fabric display booths, consisting of 10' by 8' high back wall and two 3' high side dividers.
- 6' Skirted Table (one per exhibit space). Tables will have a vinyl top and fabric skirt.
- 500 Watt Electrical Service, including one duplex outlet per exhibit space
Company recognition in the Conference Program
- Negotiated rates for housing at the Bakersfield Marriott Hotel
- Unique advertising and promotional opportunities
- Two complimentary exhibitor passes per exhibitor booth (full registration must be purchased for entry to technical sessions)
- Additional Services are available through the Contract Decorating Firm, and are billed directly to the exhibitor.
- All services are described in the exhibitor kits and are mailed directly to exhibitors contracting for space.

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SOCIETY OF PETROLEUM ENGINEERS
-- **2012 WESTERN REGIONAL MEETING** --
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA MARCH 19-23, 2012
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[How to Exhibit](#)

Space Rates:

U.S. \$1500 per 8'x10' exhibitor space. Price prorated for multiple space contract.

Once your company has decided to participate:

- Review the Terms and Conditions and Exhibit Regulations
- Select your preferred booth
- Complete and sign the Application for Exhibit Space
- Submit your Application with payment for the total cost of exhibit space
Deadline for application submission is February 1, 2012 to be included in announcement
- No application will be processed or space assigned without the required deposit
- All space assignments are based on a first-come first-served basis
- 100% of total cost of booth is required with application

Please review (at the end of the Newsletter) the Exhibit Space Reservation Application and Rules and Regulations and Exhibit Floor Plan, and direct any questions to Tim Frame at: Baker Hughes 4900 California Ave Suit 400B, Bakersfield, California 93309 Telephone: (661)328-6102; Fax: (661) 328-6150; email: timothy.frame@bakerhughes.com or Scott Myers at (661) 328-6111; email scott.myers2@bakerhughes.com

[Sponsorship Opportunities](#)

The value of your exhibition participation can be further enhanced by sponsoring a Icebreaker reception or other conference event. You do not have to sign up for booth space to be a sponsor. To find out more about sponsorship opportunities, please contact Scott Myers (scott.myers2@bakerhughes.com).

We very much look forward to your participation in this rewarding program.

Sincerely,

Tim Frame and Scott Myers, Exhibits Committee Chairs

LASPE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, DECEMBER 13, 2011

Attendance:

Dr. Eric Withjack, Section Chair
Mike Utt, Jr. Past Section Chair
Rick Finken, Treasurer
Robert Visser, Assistant Treasurer
Dr. Sam Sarem, WNAR Director
Craig Webster, Scholarships, Board Member through 2013
Chad Horton, Young Professionals Committee Chair
Scott Hara, Community Outreach Chair
AB Gorashi Abdulrahman, Continuing Education Committee Chair
Serge Baghdikian, Board Member through 2014
Baldev Gill, Board Member through 2012
Rachel Spitz, Secretary
Nazee Heda, LASPE Member, Forum Volunteer

Proceedings:

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:35 AM.
2. The proposed agenda was approved.
3. The minutes of the Nov. 8, 2011 meeting, as published in the LASPE Newsletter, were approved.
4. Reports:
 - 4.1. Treasurer's Report – Rick Finken: The financial report was given for activities through the month of November. For the month, expenses exceeded income by \$592, which compares to the previous month when income exceeded expenses by \$28. The main standard costs were Newsletter and website expenses (\$464), Forum expense (\$508) plus a banner for a YP event (\$86), while main income was from the Forum which brought in \$465. The report included a suggested budget to be further discussed and voted upon as an item of Old Business (below).
 - 4.2. WNAR Status – Eric Withjack and Sam Sarem: The highlights from the WNAR teleconference, Dec. 12, 2011, were presented by Eric Withjack. In particular, the results, of candidate selection for the incoming WNAR Director, were announced, and a summary of the discussion on the SJV's assignment of its WRM's disbursement to the SPE Foundation. Subsequent discussion by Dr. Sarem provided additional details and encouragement by other Sections to follow suit, if practical.

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...LASPE BOARD MEETING MINUTES CONTINUES

5. Old Business:

5.1 2011 – 2012 Budget Review and Approval: The proposed 2012 budget was further discussed by members of the board to cast it into final form. The main areas of discussion focused on expense donations (e.g., FSEA, SPE Foundation) and additional income opportunities. The discussions resulted in acceptable closure for the Board members and the 2011 – 2012 Budget was approved. In summary, it is similar to the prior year's budget, although with a marginal positive balance (\$750) estimated at fiscal year end.

5.2 Vice Chairperson Initiative and Voting: Eric Withjack highlighted the previously disseminated information on the recommended candidate for position of Vice Chairperson. By unanimous approval, Dr. Steve Cheung was voted into the office of Vice Chairperson 2011 – 2012.

6. New Business:

6.1. Recognition Plaques for past Chairpersons: Sam Sarem took the lead in an effort to establish a recognition opportunity for past Chairpersons. This outcome was to offer, and encourage, a distinguishing plaque to past Chairs at their personal discretion. The first recipient was our Jr. Past Chairperson, Mike Utt, who was given the very first plaque of such distinction in the presence of the Board.

7. Section Activities:

7.1 Outreach - Scott Hara: MESA Day planning is in full-swing for the events to be held at CSULB. The Middle School Preliminary events will be held on March 3, 2012, and High School Preliminary Events will follow on March 17, 2012. Scott reminded us that the activities most liked by the students are the outdoor/booths and contests. He is seeking fresh ideas and volunteers to conduct them. Activities are not necessarily restricted to the oil patch, and running an activity typically takes a two-person team.

7.2 Alternative Fund Raising – Baldev Gill: With successful experience in fund raising in the past, Baldev shared some ideas on alternative fund raising that he will be discussing with us in more detail at a later date. These include possibly half-day courses by engaged professionals, and service company offerings such as in a lunch-and-learn format.

7.3 Young Professionals (YP) Event Highlight – Chad Horton: A highly successful YP event was reported on by Chad. It was a YP “mixer” type event held on the rooftop lounge of the AVIA in Long Beach, and attended by over 60 people. Plans for the future include a YP Lunch-and-Learn, and sharing ideas with other YP groups (such as Gulf Coast).

8. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

POSITION OFFERED

General Manager – LA Basin

Senior Production Engineer - LA Basin



E&B Natural Resources has openings for a General Manager and Snr. Production Engineer in the Los Angeles Basin. E&B is a privately held, growing independent E&P company (www.ebresources.com). Our California operations are located in Kern County of the San Joaquin Valley, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties of the Cuyama Valley and Los Angeles County. We are seeking experienced General Manager to oversee the activities of the production in LA Basin. At least ten (10) years of supervisory experience in drilling management including scheduling work assignments. Also we are seeking experienced Production Engineers to take the engineering lead in various key assets in the Los Angeles Basin and Bakersfield, California for the company. Operations experience on deeper, highly deviated, long reach wells is desirable. A BS or MS degree in Petroleum Engineering is preferred. Other related engineering disciplines qualify.

If you are a result oriented and self motivated individual, we welcome you to apply for this position.

E&B offers a generous company benefit package that includes medical, dental and vision insurance coverage, short and long-term disability, life insurance, matching 401(k) plan, quarterly bonus program, paid vacation and holidays, and a choice of auto allowance or company vehicle.

In making application, please include base salary requirements. E.O.E.

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