



2023 Annual General Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2023
Calgary Petroleum Club



Minutes Coverage

NOTE: Throughout these minutes, references to the slides used during the AGM will be shown to supplement the minutes and provide content. The presentation is available in Appendix B – AGM Presentation Reference. The Appendix page along with slide number on the page is shown where needed. Content presented on the slides are not included in the minutes.

David Shackleton, SPE Calgary Section Chair, opened the AGM and made the call to order at 17:05 on June 21, 2023 (Slide 2)

Rita Fazlyeva, SPE Calgary Section Secretary, reviewed the need for the AGM, and checked for meeting quorum with Calgary Section Coordinator and AGM scrutineer, Rachel Osterman. (Slides 3-4)

- **Rita Fazlyeva:** “Rachel, can you confirm the attendance of at least 14 current members of the SPE at today’s meeting?”
- **Rachel:** “I can confirm that we met quorum with more than 14 members in attendance.”
- **Rita Fazlyeva:** “Quorum for the 2023 Calgary Section AGM is established.”

Rita Fazlyeva requested to waive the reading of the notes from the 2022 AGM.

Raj Mehta approved the motion.

Kristin Trempler confirmed the second motion.

Section Chair, David Shackleton presented an overview of the SPE structure and key personnel to give the Calgary Section some context and ensure that it was clear that the Calgary Section AGM was well attended by a variety of people representing other areas in the SPE. The contribution of the volunteers was further acknowledged.

The 2022-2023 Board of Directors and a full list of Section volunteers were shown and introduced to the members in attendance. An introduction to the Section Overview was provided (Slides 5-9).

David Shackleton introduced a keynote speaker (Slide 10)

Technical Programs lead, Marc Mukhtarli provided a review of Section Technical Programs, highlighting numbers and attendance and two new Special Interest Groups, planning to bring back Heavy Oil recovery and production and facility (Slides 11-13).

David presented the data analytics event on methane emissions (slide 14).

YP Chair, Ada Fong provided an overview of the Young Professional activities in the Calgary Section for 2022-2023 season. 8 technical and 8 social events were facilitated with great attendance. Thanks went to all the volunteers who worked on YP projects (Slides 15-19).

Ayman Bennazzi reviewed the sponsorship section, highlights, successes, challenges and goals (Slide 20).

Communications lead, Kristin Trepner, representing the Communications presented an overview of key activities and the goals (Slide 23).

Social and Networking, Andres Bonelli provided an overview of the golf tournament event and the future plans (Slide 24).

Growth and Development, Jim Stirling discussed the progress and the plans for the upcoming year (Slide 25).

Educational Support, Venky Ramanathan talked about the achievements of the year: efforts, challenges and goals. Invited members to join the volunteering group to provide support in the educational sector (Slide 26).

Julio Jimenez discussed the **membership growth** and the areas that will be included as new disciplines: data science, software, economics, math & stats. Encouraged the members to apply for awards (Slides 27-29).

Arsalan Ansari demonstrated the membership trend for the last 12 years. Increase in students' membership. A very important analysis based on the discipline and employer was demonstrated (Slides 30-33)

Section Treasurer, Adria Lotus, provided an overview of Section finances and spending over the previous fiscal year, highlighting (Slides 44-46):

- The lack of withdrawal from the Section investment account.
- Net deficit was about \$46k due to challenges related to transitioning back to the in-person event
- Cash position was \$56k
- No cash withdrawal was required

Thanks went to Adria Lotus for her sponsorship work. (Slides 47-51).

Budget summary for the Section 2022-2023 operating year was provided further followed by the questions (Slides 52-53).

- **Adria Lotus**: "Unless there are any questions on the financials and budget..."
- **Ada Fong**: "I make a motion to approve the 2022 Treasurer's report, financial statements and the proposed 2022/23 budget as presented."
- **Raj Mehta**: "I second the motion."
 - **David Shakleton** counts for a majority: "A majority is in favour."
- **David**: "Motion is passed."

Anton Yashnev presented the incoming Section Board, noting the number of experienced members returning to key positions. (Slides 44-45).

Anton then asked for approval of the 2023-2024 Board as presented (Slide 46):

- **Anton Yashnev:** “May I motion on the incoming board?”
- **Ada Fong:** “I propose to make a motion to approve the slate of directors as presented, for the 2022/23 year.”
- **Venky:** “I second the motion for approval.”
- **Anton Yashnev:** “Motion passed.”

Anton Yashnev presented the goals, strategy and outcomes: increase the number of technical and networking events; seek new people (software engineers) and promote professional development. Intersociety ecosystem development (Slide 49).

Adria Lotus proposed the budget for 2023-2024 (Slides 50-51)

Adria Lotus proposed to withdraw the budget for budget approval of the next year’s budget.

A proposal from the audience to withdraw more cash to “rebuild” the section.

Anton Yashnev, incoming Section Chair, called for Adjournment (Slide 61):

- **Anton Yashnev:** “I, Anton Yashnev, make a motion to adjourn the formal portion of the Calgary Section 2023 AGM at 19:27.”
- **Anton Yashnev:** “All in favour?”
 - **Davis Shackleton** counts for a majority: “A majority is in favour.”
- **Anton Yashnev:** “Motion carried.”

The formal portion of the 2023 AGM is closed.

SPECEF presented their charitable organization and acknowledge the invaluable contribution of the donor, **Mr. Stephan V. Benediktson**.

Anton Yashnev then provided an overview of the activities and expectations for the Section 2023-2024 season (Slide 62).