



Materials Interest Group

MINUTES

May 22, 2019

The Meeting was held at 4:00 with 17 people including 2 call -ins.

The minutes from November 2018 were approved by Andrew and Louann accepted.

A review of the AATCC IC in Ft Worth was summarized by Peggy Picket and the Waco trip by Louann Spirito. Peggy indicated 180 people attended, 12 exhibitors with one technical track versus the typical 3. Feedback was 50% for this design so the IC for 2020 in Greenville, SC will foster the two modes, one day with single session and the second day with two session focuses.

New business presented was the officer platform vote. We are still looking for a vice chair and secretary. A search will be pursued.

Two recipients for the 2019 Future Leaders Award were MIG members: Heather Shields and Krystal Moody Wood were recognized at the 2019 IC. Five nominees for 2020 have been submitted. Selection committee will be formed.

A task force was formed for the Future Leaders group. Co-chair Krystal Moody Wood, and Apurba Banerjee and Vice-Chair Heather Shields.

The Young Professionals Heather Shields, Krystal Moody and has volunteered to be involved and additional participants will be pursued. A mentor list is being compiled to support the FLA program. Robina, Mike Bell, and Louann Spirito have volunteered to help Maria and the committee.

Numerous new speaker ideas were presented during meeting. They included new technology, sustainability, fabric construction and many others. A company and name contact list will be generated.

A request was made to better describe the focus of MIG be revisited and post on AATCC website. Action will be taken to define. To date it has been to generate interest in fibers, polymers, surfaces and new technologies. There is interest to broaden, possibly into fabrics and construction. Discussion on ways to improve MIG participation was held and has resulted in a

plan to form a group to solicit ideas. Numerous ideas were presented during meeting. Several interested people already include Hasan Sahariar, Mandi Strickland, and Krystal Moody Wood. Additional volunteers will be solicited. During the discussion many ideas were presented indicating renewed interest areas which could lead to new IC program topics.

The planned speaker cancelled; however, Mandi Strickland presented a really interesting presentation on knitting and fabric formation.

Submitted by: Robina Hogan, Chair MIG

Attendees:

Louann Spirito, Andrew Frasiar, Diana Wyman, Kim Nickolson, Hayley Allred, Apurba Banerjee, Peggy Pickett, Selcen Kilinc-Balci, Bryan Orman, Mike Bell, Victor Kholodkov, Nigel Carlton, Mandi Strickland, Barb McGrath, Melissa Lum, Kanti Jasani