

MINUTES



General Meeting - Agenda
SHPE - Eastern Iowa Professional Chapter
www.EasternIowaSHPE.org
Aug. 14, 2006

Time: 6:15pm

- ***Special Guest, Dion Stallings, from the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE)***
 - ***Funding***
 - ***Rockwell Collins, Inc.***
- ***Presentation to Ruben Castillo so he can present to his group for funds.***
 - ***Aegon***
- ***Attempted to contact numerous times with no luck***
 - ***Grants***
- ***Look for other companies maybe not related to science or engineering. Alliant (contact Jean Meyers) is a possibility.***

- ***Community Involvement***
 - ***Amigo Latino of Iowa – Immigration 101/Know Your Rights Presentation***
 - ***Immigrant Rights and Information Fair***
 - ***Location: Immaculate Conception (3rd Ave and 10th St in Cedar Rapids***
 - ***Sunday, September 10 at 2p-5p***
- ***Amigo Latino needs our help and support. Marino will meet with Jesse Martinez to iron out details for how SHPE can help with this event.***
 - ***Emma Goldman Clinic – Aug 17th***
 - ***Interpreters still needed***
- ***Help still needed, in particular females to help with the interpretations.***
 - ***NSBE***
- ***Agreed to tag team efforts to help both organizations develop. Share ideas and opportunities that will benefit both organizations. Marino and Ivan will make an effort to attend NSBE's meeting Tuesday, Aug 22.***
 - ***Mexico Independence Day, Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas Community Service with UofI.***
- ***Contact radio station in Waterloo for possible community involvement opportunities. Cynthia Calzadilla will contact the radio station to help identify different events.***
- ***Jairo will look into the possibility of having a blood drive. With the help of NSBE, commit the minimum number of participants for the mobile blood drive to come out to selected location.***

- ***Other community service opportunities:***
 - * ***Big Brother/ Big Sister program***
 - * ***K-12 Program***

- Professional SHPE Membership – www.shpe.org
 - Fee: \$45 per year; Lifetime membership: \$500
 - Recent graduates (<6mths): 1st year is FREE

- ***Marino will contact Fred Munoz to get actual numbers of who has signed up and paid for their membership.***

➤ Scholarship Requirements

- ***2 \$250 scholarships***
- ***Jairo presented existing scholarship application for the Chicago Professional SHPE chapter. The same format will be used as foundations for our scholarship application.***
- ***Cynthia will look to make point of contact with nearby high schools for possible scholarship candidates for future opportunities.***
- ***Olga Garay will look into the possibility of submitting a small engineering project instead of an essay for the scholarship. Look into the project to be in conjunction with Engineering Week.***

➤ Social

- SHPE Summer Social
 - Crystal Lake, IL on Aug. 26, 2006
 - RSVP by Aug. 19th with Catalina Rios-Meyer (Rios-MeyerCatalinaE@johndeere.com)

- ***For those who choose, there are lodging opportunities for the social both the night before and the night of the social. Please contact Catalina ASAP for her make arrangements.***

➤ July and August Birthdays

➤ Questions/Comments

- ***Our website will be referenced more, and take advantage of the available space. Marino and Steven will meet to work on having access to the site.***

- ***Contact Alfred Ramirez with Diversity Focus. Build relationship and take advantage of what Diversity Focus has to offer.***

- ***Get more involved with PTDN and take advantage of their efforts. Good way to meet other people from other organizations and companies.***

- ***501C application. Marino, Ivan, Jairo, and Catalina will review the application Catalina has completed. Conference call will be held on Wednesday, Aug 23 to address any changes and concerns.***

- Time: 7:40pm