PSMA Industry-Education Meeting Minutes
17 November 2025

Attendees

- Ada Cheng
- Brian Zahnstecher
- George Slama
- Gerry Moschopoulos
- John Horzepa
- Michael Hayes
- Renee Yawger

Next Meeting

10am CT, Wednesday, 17 December 2025

Action items highlighted in yellow

APEC Student Attendance Support (SAS)

- Received 225 raw applications! (New record!)
- Need to select 60 recipients (& up to 10 alternates in case of withdrawals)
- Winners will be notified via email by PSMA (mentors@psma.com)
- Behind schedule: originally to notify applicants of results on Nov. 21, now Dec. 5
- 3 selection votes are in already: Ada, Gerry & Qiang
- Opportunity to make winners public? (Maybe after APEC due to possible withdraws)

APEC Student Mentorship

- Online applications on PSMA website (will be up by Nov, 21)
- Drafted webpage for APEC site
- Q4 Newsletter article: advice for mentors due by November 17
- Mentorship room assigned (Room 209) with low cocktail tables & chairs, sign in table
- Use QR code instead of sign in book in mentorship room.
- Need (MS Word?) version of special project form for Capacitor Workshop from Alan.
- To encourage more participation, consider reducing mentorship workbook activities & write advice separately.

- Career options & actual PSMA member job postings (benefits those exhibiting at APEC)
- Need painters tape to hang career options & job postings.

WiPDA Student Mentorship

- 7 pairs of mentors & mentees matched up (plus 2 extra students)
- Career Options presentation at lunch & learn with photo and survey (all attended!)
- Class photo!
- Also proposed students write something they learned rather than sign in sheets
- Possible article in Q4 Newsletter, but results won't be available until Nov. 24 earliest

APEC Young Professionals (YP)

- Originally PSMA will lead for APEC 2027
- Unclear if PELS or IAS will take the lead for APEC 2026
- Brian will follow up with owner of this by Dec. 2

APEC WIE

- 1st organizing meeting at ECCE
- Still a breakfast event
- Trying to determine budget and recruit volunteers

Future plans

- IFEC
    - Career Options
    - Mentorship Room
    - Invite current chair and next chair to mentorship room for PSMA engagement
- Improve industry-education collaboration
    - Article in Q4 Newsletter due by Nov. 17
    - Encourage academic participation
- Mike to share ideas before or at next meeting

Begin forwarded message:

From: Ada Cheng <ada@adaclock.com>

Subject: Re: Updated invitation with note: PSMA Industry-Education Committee Meeting @ Mon Nov 17, 2025 10am - 11am (CST) (ada@adaclock.com)
Date: November 13, 2025 at 10:06:03 PM PST
To: Office PSMA <psma.office@gmail.com>
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Another full agenda so status provided to save time. Hopefully Brian & Renee can share on YP & WIE respectfully.

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