PSMA Industry-Education Committee minutes
2 July 2026

Attendees:

- Ada Cheng
- Aditya Singh
- Alan Cooper
- Brian Zahnstecher
- Gerry Mouschopoulos
- George Slama
- John Horzepa
- Jose Ortiz Gonzalez
- Mike Hayes
- Renee Yawger

Next meeting
Thursday, 6 August

PSMA Student Internship

- Ahmed Khaleel, North Carolina State University (Semiconductors Committee) Mentor: changed to Tim McDonald
    - 1st mentor report
    - Intern to take meeting minutes
- Joshua Rauber Neusser, Federal University of Santa Maria (UFSM) (Magnetics Committee) Mentor: Matt Wilkowski
    - Mentee attended
- Mazen Tag El-Din, Cairo University (Energy Management Committee) Mentor: Mike Hayes
    - Mentee attended & took minutes

APEC Student Attendance Support (SAS)

- Updated timeline
- Reviewed draft of SAS details, responsibilities, qualified/unqualified expenses, advice & FAQ
- Need to update selection criteria next

APEC Student Mentorship

- Updated timeline
- Jose reached out to mentee(s) to write an article on APEC & mentorship for Q3 newsletter
- Renee shared certificates and got input
- Ada to email certificate to participants

WiPDA Student Mentorship

- Updated timeline, webpage draft & special project form
- Special project up for board approval at July board meeting
- Held in Burlington, VT on 26-28 October 2026

APEC Young Professionals (YP)

- Event planning will start closer to APEC planning meeting and ECCE timeframe
- Renee to draft article on new job advice or tips

APEC WIE

- Still need PSMA PoC

International Future Energy Challenge (IFEC)

- Brian Z is PSMA's PoC
- IFEC 2026 Final: Jaume Roig to judge in Belgium on July 17 (& 16?)
- IFEC 2027 Chair: Hongjie Wong at Utah State University
- IFEC 2027 Topic: Universal Processing Unit
- IFEC 2027 Semifinal (at APEC 2027): need 1or 2 industry judge(s).
- PSMA representative to make intro comments at each stage
- Brian to inform Jaume about presenting about PSMA

APEC Student Job Fair

- Charter busses from nearby universities? Logistical nightmare
- Consider reaching out to nearby affiliate-education members to ask for suggestions

APEC Student Demonstration Contest

- Need a PSMA PoC
- No inputs from APEC committee yet

Future Plans

- No time to address this during meeting so will address this early in next meeting
- Improve industry-education collaboration
- Anything else?