

PAPTAC Bleaching Committee – Spring 2015 Meeting

Section 4 – SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS & REPORTS

Pointe-Claire, QC – May 4-6, 2015

4-1. Technical – Paul Earl for Alison Rowat

The Fall 2015 technical theme will be *“Bleaching Stages: O2D / D0 / Eop / D1+D2 / P”*. This was selected at the Fall 2014 meeting.

The Spring 2016 technical theme (selected at this meeting) will be *“Cooking and Impacts Downstream”*.

4-2. Meetings and Conferences – Doug Reid for Dan Davies

2014 International Pulp Bleaching Conference

- Grenoble, France; October 29-31
- 150 attendees
- More academic than typical PAPTAC or TAPPI conferences, but overall quality of presentations and papers was higher.
- Themes included dissolving pulp, chromophores removal and re-formation, and bleaching and the bio-refinery.
- Next IPBC will be held in June 2017 in Brazil, in conjunction with the ISWPC.

PAPTAC Annual Meeting (PaperWeek Canada 2015)

- Attendance steady this year
 - At 1023, compared with 1117 last year
- Excellent blend of business & technical
- Well distributed by session and room
- Same excellent system for submitting & evaluating presentations
- 30 Mills represented
 - Mill personnel were 20% of attendees
- Presentation rooms well positioned & accessible
 - Well sized for number of attendees
- FP Innovations had usual strong presence
- Biotechnology important, but somewhat muted
- Sessions in separate tracks:
 - Maintenance, Packaging, Tissue, Technical, Business
- Keynote & Business Lunch presentations were excellent
 - Refutation of last year’s “ Tabula Rasa ” presentation
- Bleaching Presentations:
 - 3 Sessions
 - 11 presentations (1 cancellation)

- Mostly by Committee members

2015 PacWest Conference

- Whistler, BC; June 10-13
- Three short courses: Project Management, Continuous Cooking, and TMP
- <http://pacwestcon.net>

4-3. Projects – James Goldman

- Raymond Paquet compiled a searchable list of all presentations to the Bleaching Committee since 1997. It also contains a link to each presentation.
- “Standing Categories” have been created, to help with the generation of new ideas for “Projects” presentations. This list was last reviewed at the Fall 2014 meeting.
- Safety: A chemical safety presentation is always part of the agenda, along with a safety roundtable discussion.
- Presentations from this meeting can be found in Section 6.

4-4. Internet – Paul Earl

- New Members’ Website; microsite within main PAPTAC website:
 - www.paptac.ca
 - Then select *Technical Communities / Bleaching / Members Corner*
 - Access with your PAPTAC login username and password
 - All minutes and documents from old site have been transferred over to new site.
- Please remember that presentations & information from these meetings and on the website are not “public domain”
 - Please use only within your own mill or company
 - Please contact the author if you wish to use any of the information
- Group e-mail system – use “bleach@paptac.ca” to send message to all members
 - E-mail system for Bleaching Committee members only
 - Your current e-mail address must match the one on the server!
 - Administered by PAPTAC; only currently active PAPTAC members can be added to the mailing list
- Please summarize the responses that you receive and send them back to the whole committee in a timely manner (□2 weeks)