

# 2019 PEI Manufacturing Symposium

*Sustainable Products from a Sustainable Industry*

## **Thursday 10-17-19**    **Registration, Board of Directors and Annual Membership Meetings**

- 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM    MFG Symposium Registration
- 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM    PEI Board Meeting – Jeff Robenson (Drennan/Ronalco)  
Anti-trust Guidelines Review - Bill O’Bryan & Hunter Brush (Butler Snow)  
Secretary’s report – Stewart Hackler (PEI)  
Treasurer’s report – Ted Wolowicz (Electrolux Home Products)  
2019 YTD performance  
2019 YTD Raymond James Fund performance  
Committee reports  
Annual Meeting – Cullen Hackler (PEI)  
Environmental – Jack Waggener (AECOM)  
Marketing/Membership – Brittany Voss (A. O. Smith Corporation)  
Technical Affairs – Charles Baldwin (Ferro Corporation)  
Unfinished Business  
2019 Tech Forum Proceedings  
B2B “on the road”  
New Business  
2020 Preliminary Budget  
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- 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM    Group Reception and Dinner

## **Friday 10-18-19**    **Manufacturing Symposium and Spouse Program**

### Spouse Tour and Lunch

- 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM    TBA
- 12:00 PM – 2:30 PM    Lunch and free time in Wild Dunes

### Manufacturing Symposium

- 7:15 AM – 8:30 AM    Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 AM – 8:45 AM    Welcome and Introductions – Jeff Robenson (Drennan/Ronalco)
- 8:45 AM – 9:45 AM    The Economic Outlook and Its Risks– Tom Cunningham, Ph. D. (Senior Vice President – Chief Economist, Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce)

*From a base line of the current economic situation a look at the future will be discussed. This outlook involves a number of variables so the talk will explore ways that outlook might change. The major risks will be considered as to their potential to change things from how the economy is expected to develop.*

*Tom*

*Thomas J. Cunningham served withis Senior Vice President and the Chief Economist for the Metro Atlanta Chamber (MAC). Tom joined the MAC in July 2015 following a 30-year career at the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta for over 20 years and . He is a specialist in open economy macroeconomic policy and regional analysis. At the MAC, he manages an internal team that supports the research and advocacy roles of the economic development and public policy departments.*



*After starting his career at the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta as an economist in the Macropolicy group, Tom served at various times as associate director of research, interim director of research, vice president for the Regional group where he was also responsible for the Latin American group, and acting head of the Finance group. He served on the Bank's Personnel, Information Technology, and Risk Management Committees and as a member of the Federal Reserve System's Information Security Group and Technology Services Council. He also was the acting director of, and helped establish, the Bank's Center for Real Estate Analytics. When Dr. Cunningham retired in 2015. from the Fed, his title was Vice President, Senior Economist and Regional Executive.*

9:45 AM – 10:30 AM Sustainability: Your Key to Business Success in the Years Ahead – Cullen Hackler (Porcelain Enamel Institute)

*Sustainability is a topic that has been around for a number of years and most businesses understand the environmental aspects of it; but it is much more than that. This talk will define sustainability and explore its many facets to help us focus on the numerous positive impacts that can be made across almost all parts of our businesses.*

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM Break

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM The US Housing Industry Situation and Outlook – Danushka Nanayakkara-Skillington (National Association of Home Builders)

*This presentation from the NAHB will include a look at several economic topics, including: the overall U.S. economy/monetary policy, the U.S. housing market, house prices, demand factors, housing affordability and supply side constraints. A NAHB Forecast will be included along with a look at their new geographic tracking of home building conditions. It is called the Home Building Geography Index and some of the findings will be included in the presentation.*

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM Environmental Compliance Issues and Updates for the PE Industry - Jack Waggener (URS Corporation)

*In this talk current government initiatives and activities with respect to environmental and workplace safety will be discussed. Ongoing work with EPA, OSHA and other departments will be reviewed.*

1:30 PM – 3:30 PM Global Standardization and Testing: Implications to North American Businesses  
Charles Baldwin (Ferro Corporation)  
Dennis Flannigan (Prince Minerals)

Glenn Pfendt (Ramtech)

*Group brainstorming on how PEI can be proactive in representing and protecting the interests of North American P/E manufacturers*

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| 3:30 PM – 4:00 PM   | Break   |
| 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM   | PEI Membership Business Meeting – Michael Cukier (Whirlpool Corporation)<br>Election of 2020 Directors<br>Ad-hoc committee on global standardization<br>Additional Institute business |
| President’s Remarks | Michael Cukier (Whirlpool Corporation)  |
| 6:30 PM – 10:00 PM  | President’s Awards Reception and Banquet  |

**Saturday 10-19-19 Social Activities and Free Time**

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| 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM | Breakfast (on your own)   |
| 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM | Golf, tennis, spa, etc.   |
| 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM | Free time to enjoy Wild Dunes and the Isle of Palms   |
| 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM | Dinner - we will have several restaurant suggestions for small groups, etc.<br>(Please note that this dinner is “on your own” and not a PEI group function) |

**Sunday 10-20-19 Free Time and Departures**

Free time to enjoy the amenities of the greater Charleston, SC area