



ADVANCING THE TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, PROCESSING AND APPLICATION OF IRON AND STEEL

## **AIST Spring Meeting Notice / Agenda Plate Rolling Technology Committee**

**Date: Tuesday 10-March-2026**  
**Location: Longview, Texas USA**

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### ***Hotel Arrangements***

#### **Hilton Garden Inn Longview**

905 East Hawkins Parkway, Longview, TX 75605

**Reserve by 20 February** for AIST Room Rate of \$115

For reservations, book [online](#)

**AIST technology committee members are asked to print out the latest revised meeting agenda from our website one week prior to this meeting.**

### **Tuesday 10-March-2026**

Light Breakfast 7:30 AM

- ***Chair's opening remarks – Jacob Lewis*** <8:30 am CDT>
- ***Appoint minute-taker***
- ***Antitrust guidelines***
- ***Membership and attendance***
- ***Review minutes of previous meeting – [13 Nov • Davenport, IA](#)***
- ***AIST Staff Announcements – Charlie Bender***

**BREAK** <10:30 am CDT>

- ***Main Agenda Items***
  - ***AIST Steel Industry Fatalities and Safety Discussion***
  - ***Finalize AISTech sessions – João Lino, Dengqi Bai***
    - Papers due to AIST (17 February)
    - Author Registration deadline (5 March)
    - Presentation Draft Due to AIST (17 March)
    - Re-emphasize the role of Session Chair and Papers Chair
  - ***Committee Officer Nominations – Voting at AISTech committee meeting***
    - Chair: ***Jake Ecklund – SSAB***
    - Vice Chair: ***João Lino – Nucor Brandenburg***
    - Papers Co-Chairs: ***T.B.D.***
    - Education Co-Chairs: ***Tanya Ros – Cleveland-Cliffs R & D, Qiulin Yu – Nucor Tuscaloosa***
    - Membership Chair: ***Mike Robinson – Dover Hydraulics***

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- Roundup Chair: *Jennifer Grzyb – SMS Group*
- Young Professional Chair: *Pavan Reddy – TMEIC Corp*
- Digital Transformation Liaison: *Yufeng Wang – SSAB*
- Decarbonization Liaison: *Matthew Druciak – TENOVA Inc.*

- **Committee Roundup – Jennifer Grzyb**

### LUNCH

<Noon CDT>

- **Technology Training Conferences – Tanya Ros, Qiulin Yu**
  - [Hot Sheet and Plate Rolling Fundamentals — Practical Training](#)
    - Date: February 2027
- **Update from Liaisons**
  - Digitalization Liaisons – *Yufeng Wang*
  - Decarbonization Liaisons – *Matthew Druciak*
  - Young Professional Liaisons – *Pavan Reddy*
- **Fall Meeting Date & Agenda**
  - T.B.D.
- **Next Meeting – AISTech May 4-6, 2026**

### BREAK

<2:00 pm CDT>

- **Discussion items & Presentations**

- <meeting topic and presentations to be filled in by Committee Chair>
- “Introduction to Trinity Industries Inc.” – *Tai Cho, TrinityRail*

- **Chair conclusion – Jake Ecklund**
- **Adjourn**

<5:00 pm CDT>

### Wednesday 11-March-2026

Meet at the Front Gate, carpooling is encouraged  
*Trinity Industries Inc*  
*140 Shady Brook Ln, Longview, TX 75602*  
*visiting plant 200, plant 19*

<8:15 am CDT>

Required PPE includes Long pants, long-sleeved shirts and closed toe shoes, Trinity will provide safety vests and Hard Hats, with hearing and eye protection where needed

### LUNCH

<Noon CDT>



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Adjourn

**<3:30 pm CDT>**



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- DON'T make announcements or statements about your own prices or those of competitors.
- DON'T talk about what individual companies plan to do in particular markets or with particular customers.
- DON'T disclose to others any competitively sensitive information.
- DON'T propose or agree to any action intended to disadvantage or injure another company.
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