



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

## AIST AISTech Meeting Notice / Agenda Cokemaking Technology Committee

Date: Tuesday, 5 May 2026

Location: David L. Lawrence Convention Center Room 329  
Pittsburgh, PA

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1. *Chair's Opening Remarks – Scott Pisula* <Noon>
2. *Appoint Minute-taker – Scott Pisula*
3. *Membership & Attendance Review – Shannon Kiley*
4. *Review minutes of previous meeting, [5 Feb • Coraopolis, PA](#)*
5. *AIST Staff Announcements – Shannon Kiley*
6. *Main agenda items*
  - **Present Technology Committee awards – Scott Pisula**

### 2026 [Josef S. Kapitan Cokemaking Award](#)

Recipients: Ana Carolina Rocha, Arthur Farah, Kássio Caçado, Lis Soares

Paper: “Multiobjective Optimization of Coal Blend for Cokemaking Using NSGA-III”

“This award was established in 1953 as the Journal of Metals Award by the Blast Furnace, Coke Oven and Raw Materials Committee of AIME. The name and award rules were changed in 1960 to the Ironmaking Conference Award. The name and award rules were again changed in 1982 to the Josef S. Kapitan Ironmaking Conference Award, then divided into the Josef S. Kapitan Ironmaking Best Paper Award and the Josef S. Kapitan Cokemaking Best Paper Award in 2005. The award is presented to the authors of a technical paper judged by the committee to be the best submitted for the conference at which it was presented.”

### [Review Mission Statement](#) – Scott Pisula - Cokemaking Technology Committee

“To provide a forum for the exchange of information, experiences, and ideas to help sustain and improve the competitive operation of the Cokemaking facility through the safe development and execution of industry best practices in both the maintenance and operations areas of Cokemaking and byproducts processing.”

- **Nominations for Board of Director Level Awards—Distinguished Member and Fellow, Sendzimir Award, Fairless Award and Steelmaker of the Year nominations - Scott Pisula**
- **Develop committee objectives for next year - Scott Pisula**
  - **Meeting Locations**
  - **Technical Topic to be discussed and possible presenters**
- **Elect New Officers - Scott Pisula**
  - *Chair – Scott Pisula (U.S. Steel)*
  - *Vice Chair – Hardie Burgan (Chiz Bros)*

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- *Papers Chair – Steve McKnight (U.S. Steel)*
- *Young Professionals Chair – Aram Hermiz (Stelco Inc)*
- *Cokemaking Roundup Chair – Thiago Mazzeu (SMS), Jerry Scott (Fosbel) and James Hosfield, (U.S. Steel)*
- *Decarbonization Liaison: Jose Alfaro, (Arch Resources)*
- *Digitalization Liaison: Buddy Lee (Maars, Inc)*

**Vice Chair Hardie Burgan presents Chair Plaque to Scott Pisula for his year of service to the committee**

### **7. Discussion items**

- a. <meeting topic and presentation to be filled in by Committee Chair>

**8. Next meeting – September and October dates, T.B.D., tentative invitation for Glidewell Foundry tour-Birmingham area (Topic: Environmental Stewardship)**

**9. Closing Remarks - Scott Pisula**

**10. Adjourn**

<1:30pm>



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