



2023 SCMA Annual Meeting Agenda

April 26 – 28, 2023

Hotel Emeline | Charleston, SC

**Dress is business casual*

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

- 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm** **SCMA Executive Committee Meeting**
Hayne Street Gallery
- 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm** **SCMA Full Board Meeting**
Hayne Street Gallery
- 4:00 pm** **Hotel Check-In**
- 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm** **Chairman’s Reception**
The Greenhouse & Courtyard
- 7:00 pm** **Dinner on your own**
- 9:00-11:00 pm** **Hospitality Suite**
The Greenhouse & Courtyard

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

- 7:30 am** **Drop-in Breakfast**
The Greenhouse & Courtyard
- Registration**
Hayne Street Gallery Foyer
- 8:30 – 10:45 am** **Membership Meeting**
Hayne Street Gallery
- 8:30 am** **Welcome & Chairman’s Report**
Chuck Hall, SCMA Chair, Barnet
- 8:45 am** **SCMA Financial Update**
Curtis Hutto, SCMA Treasurer, Thompson Construction Group
- 8:55 am** **Alliance Report**
Sara Hazzard, President & CEO, SC Manufacturers Alliance



9:20 am

Election of Officers and Directors

Chuck Hall, SCMA Chair, Barnet
Barry Falin, SCMA Nominating Committee Chair,
Thompson Construction Group

Other Business

9:35 am

SCMA Leadership Panel Discussion

Trending Topics Panel

Moderated by Amy Tinsley
Automotive Council – Matt Hamrick, Mercedes-Benz Vans
Lowcountry Manufacturers Council – Vince Lombardy, VTL Precision
Textile Council – Ellis Fisher, Inman Mills

Policy Panel

Moderated by Rebecca Leach
Chemistry Council – Al Chatham, Elkem Silicones
Environmental Committee – Nick Odom, Springs Creative
SCMA Corporate Counsel Committee – Robert Wick, Schaeffler Group
Tax & Economic Development Committee – Roger Buckley, Sonoco

Manufacturing Operations Panel

Moderated by James Richter
Human Resource Managers Division – Kristin Nix,
Sage Automotive Interiors
Manufacturing Operations Committee – Ron Freed,
American Honda Motor Co., Inc. South Carolina Manufacturing
Tire Council – April Allen, Continental

10:45 am

Networking Coffee Break

11:15 am

SC's Workforce Ecosystem

Moderated by Elisabeth Kovacs
William Floyd, Executive Director,
S.C. Department of Employment and Workforce (DEW)
Matthew Ferguson, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer,
South Carolina Department of Education
Dr. Ronald Rhames, President, Midlands Technical College

12:15 pm

Defender of Manufacturing Awards Luncheon

Williams Hall



Honoring Recipients:
South Carolina Senator Ross Turner
Max Metcalf, BMW Manufacturing Company

- 2:00 pm** **S.C. Commerce Update**
Commerce Secretary Harry Lightsey
- 2:20 pm** **What's Next for SC Future Makers**
Elisabeth Kovacs, Executive Director, SC Future Makers
- 3:00 pm** **Beyond the Horizon: A Legal Update**
Randy Lowell, Partner, Burr & Forman LLP
- 4:00 pm** **Adjourn**
- 6:00 pm** **SCMA Soiree - Fun, Food & Great Libations**
High Wire Distilling
311 Huger Street
Charleston, SC 29403
- *Dress is resort casual*
- 9:00-11:00 pm** **Hospitality Suite**
The Greenhouse & Courtyard

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

- 7:30 am** **Drop-in Breakfast**
The Greenhouse & Courtyard
- General Session**
Hayne Street Gallery
- 8:30 am** **The 2023 South Carolina Economic Outlook:
Recession or Soft Landing?**
Dr. Joseph C. Von Nessen, Research Economist,
University of South Carolina, Darla Moore School of Business
- 9:00 am** **Made in SC**
Keller Kissam
President, Dominion Energy South Carolina



9:45 am

Coffee Break

10:15 am

Legislative Roundtable

Senator Tom Davis (R-Beaufort)

Senator Thomas McElveen (D-Sumter)

Representative Roger Kirby (D-Florence)

Moderated by Sara Hazzard

11:30 pm

Closing Remarks

Chuck Hall, SCMA Chair, Barnet

Adjourn