

Executive Committee  
Kalamazoo Section, ACS  
**Meeting Minutes 04 April 2007**

The Meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm at TGI Fridays on West Main.

Present: Dean Cooke (DC), Lydia Hines (LH), Clark Kahn (CK), James Kiddle (JK), Mike Kiella (MK), Jennifer Larese (JL), Barbara Lee (BL), Sheryl Loux (SL), John Miller (JM), Don Schreiber (DS), Monica Whitmire (MW)

**1. Secretary's Report**

- a. Minutes from the March 2007 meeting had two corrections requested by LH: 1) ...**for Earth Day**..., and 2) ...service to **our** local section...
- b. The "action item" table was discussed and revised. See attached.

**2. Western Michigan University and Kalamazoo College Student Affiliates**

- a. No student affiliates were present.
- b. April 10<sup>th</sup> was the WMU affiliates last 2007 Spring meeting.

**3. Treasurer's Report**

- a. The March 2007 Treasurer's Report was unanimously accepted as submitted. JM will issue a PDF.
- b. We will carry the picnic funds to 2008.
- c. We received the ACS National allotment.
- d. The innovation grant is now complete (\$0).
- e. DC and LH will submit expense reports for ACS national meeting travel.
- f. The Federal Tax Return is due by May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

**4. Old Business**

- a. KALCHEMIST Newsletter
  - 1) The February-March newsletter will not issue this year.
  - 2) The April-May issue will have several additional article submissions if time permits.
    - a) Networking Program article (JL)
    - b) Banquet and Science Symposium (DS)
    - c) Science Café (JL)
    - d) Councilor National ACS Report (DC/LH)
- b. Science Café Mini-Grant
  - 1) Work in progress...to be described in a news article by JL.
- c. Earth Day – April 22
  - 1) CK and Wendell Tomes (WT) will present an ACS Seminar "Contaminated Soil: In Your Backyard", at WMU (1260 Chemistry Annex) on May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM.
- d. SL stated that outstanding service to our local section nominations were due by April 15.
- e. During 2007, MW requested that program / event summaries will be submitted to her for inclusion in the 2007 annual report directly after they occur...***need several articles to date.***

**5. New Business**

- a. The National ACS meeting was held in Chicago (March 24–28). A brief written report was submitted by DH and LH.
- b. The Fall 2007 Tour Speaker was confirmed to be "Chemistry in Comics" by Dr. Al Hazari. JK will make contact in May.
- c. The Spring Awards Banquet will be held at WMU on May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6PM (DS/JM/JK).

d. Around the Table

- 1) MW stated that the current head count for KACS members is 534.
- 2) JK handed out officer job descriptions to edit and return at the next KACS-EC.
- 3) The digital camera was given to LH for safe keeping.
- 4) MW requested that the web site be updated for upcoming events, KACS EC minutes, and announcements.
- 5) BL and JK requested that the KACS-EC meeting be held on a different day during the summer. May through September meetings will be the first **Thursday** of the month, with no meeting in July.
- 6) LH distributed Earth Day calendars.
- 7) JK and JL suggested mailing "Welcome" post cards to new members.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm by unanimous vote. The next meeting date will be Thursday, May 3, at 6:00pm at TGI Fridays on West Main in Kalamazoo.