

Executive Committee
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Meeting Minutes 09 January 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:15 PM at TGIFridays.

Present: Lydia Hines (LH), James Kiddle (JK), Mike Kiella (MK), Jennifer Larese (JL), John Miller (JM), Andy Sanborn (AS), Don Schrieber (DS), Kate Shaw (KS), Tom Smith (TS), Carl Stachew (CS), Monica Whitmire (MW)

1. Secretary's Report

- a. The ~~January~~^{December 2007} meeting minutes were approved with minor changes.
- b. Action items table: Add Girl Scout Day to the table

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. December 2007 treasurer's report was approved. An extra \$1800 was received from the national office. This extra money will be put in the reserve fund.
- b. JM determining status of the outstanding check to Scott Vanderlugt.

3. Western Michigan University and Kalamazoo College Student Affiliates

- a. WMU: The updates to the bylaws are in progress.
- b. KCollege: Tom Dueweke will be the moderator for the student affiliates.

4. Old Business

- a. MW presented the final draft report. The report can be edited by going to the link <http://acswebapplications.acs.org/Applications/SOLAR/> JK will handle the report completion.
- b. Waiting to hear from the post office regarding the postage cost reduction.
- c. Fred Upton will visit WMU on February 18, 2008. The meeting consists of a 30 minute tour and 30 minute Q&A. Members are requested to contact DS if they want to attend or have a chemistry topic they want discussed at the meeting.
- d. 2008 Science Café: Bell's agreed to continue hosting the spring sessions. Current speakers/topics: Marty Johnson (Criminal Forensics), Scott Aldrich (Pharmaceutical Product Forensics), Jim Howell (not sure). Backup speakers and topics Gary Supp (Criminal Forensics), KACS (Critique a CSI episode).
- e. Pfizer members can't use their work address to receive postcard mailings.
- f. Dr. David F. Weimer will be the spring tour speaker. Topic: Herbal Products: They're Natural but are They Safe? JK will arrange the date and location.

5. New Business

- a. All agreed the KACS website needs to be updated. DS will check with WMU computer department. Other possible web designers include KVCC.
- b. JK has work conflict with KACS meetings from May to September. JK will survey member availability.

6. Around the Table

- a. JL is interested in attending a Science Café conference in Boston. All agreed this would be a great way to find new ideas. JL waiting to get confirmation a meeting will be held.

- b. JM noted that WMU and the EPA will hold a training session on chemical hygiene and school cleanup on Valentine's Day in Battle Creek.
- c. MW or MK?? requested an agenda item be added next month to discuss ways to honor Dean Cooke's many years of valuable service to KACS.
- d. MK reiterated KACS support for sending a WMU or Kcollege student to present at a National or Regional ACS meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Minutes submitted by Carl Stachew.