Executive Committee Kalamazoo Section, ACS Meeting Minutes 03 January 2007

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm at TGI Fridays on West Main.

Present: Lydia Hines (LH), James Kiddle (JK), Mike Kiella (MK), Barbara Lee (BL), Sheryl Loux (SL), John Miller (JM), Don Schreiber (DS), and Monica Whitmire (MW)

1. Introduction of Newly Elected Officers

a. MW introduced the following officers:

Chair – MW

Chair Elect – JK

Immediate Past Chair – MK

Secretary – BL

Treasurer – JM

Councilors – DC and LH

Alternate Councilors – DS and SL

2. Western Michigan University Affiliates

- a. No affiliates were present, but MW named the WMU affiliates, Loren LaPointe and Jenifer Ward, as well as the Kalamazoo College Student Affiliate Advisor, Joan Esson.
- b. The Chemistry of Beer Program will be held February 3.

3. Councilor's Orientation for New KACS EC Officers

- a. LH provided officer job descriptions from 1981.
- b. MK will put the descriptions into an electronic form.
- c. The descriptions may be revised in the future.

4. Secretary's Report

- a. Amy StCharles will send the December 2006 minutes by the end of the week.
- b. Approval of the December 2006 minutes will be tabled until next month.

5. Treasurer's Report

- a. The December 2006 Treasurer's Report was unanimously accepted as submitted.
- b. JM stated that there are no outstanding checks.
- c. JM stated that the 2007 local section allotment is the same as last year and the cuts will come next year.
- d. Since the 2007 budget reflected an anticipated cut, there will be a proposal next month concerning what to do with the extra income.

6 Old Business

- a. Plans for Local Section Leadership Conference
 - 1) JK will be attending the conference in Baltimore at the end of January.
- b. Status of Elementary School Outreach Program
 - 1) Carl Stachew will send an update to MW.
- c. Status of Search for KALCHEMIST News Editor
 - 1) MK stated that Ben Maxey is no longer doing the newsletter. MK put the last issue together.
 - 2) DS will contact a teacher, Brad Portis, to see if he has an interest.
- d. Science Café Mini-Grant Planning Committee
 - 1) Tabled until next month.
- e. Status of Mentor Program Development Activities
 - 1) Tabled until next month.
- f. Earth Day
 - 1) LH stated that Earth Day will be April 22 and she provided information about the Illustrated Haiku Contest.
 - 2) BL will ask the Pfizer Educational Initiative (PEI) committee if they or KRESA have any interest or plans for Earth Day.
- g. Invitation to the PEI Committee
 - 1) BL will ask if someone from the PEI committee would regularly attend the KACS meeting.

7. New Business

- a. FY2006 Annual Report
 - 1) MK stated that it is due by February 15.
 - 2) MW will fill it out and BL will send it to the ACS Records Office. Mark O'Brien is the staff liason.
- b. Status of Boy Scout Merit Badge Program
 - 1) DS stated that since the badge requirements have changed, they don't need much help from us.
 - 2) We could make an offer to them to provide tours of WMU labs.
- c. Around the Table
 - 1) DS provided an overview of the Foundation, including Project SEED and the Competitive Exam.
 - 2) SL asked that the minutes record that JM has the section camera.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm by unanimous vote. The next meeting date will be Wednesday, February 7, at 6:00pm at TGI Fridays on West Main in Kalamazoo.