

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Tuesday, May 19, 2020, 6:30 PM
Location: Google Meet Conference Call

Due to the State and Federal National Emergency Declarations the May 2020 Executive Committee meeting of the Kalamazoo Section of the ACS will not meet in person. We will conduct the meeting via Google Meet:

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#Start: 6:38

#Present: Hershel Jude (HJ), Ed Thomas (ET), Lydia Hines (LH), Doug Williams (DW), James Redwine (JR), Bill Schinzer (BS)

1. Secretary's Report (JR)
 - a. Review and approval of April 2020 minutes (**Attached at end**)
approved
2. Treasurer's Report (BS)
 - a. Treasurer's Report (**Appendix 1**)
4 checks outstanding. Vanguard accounts in good shape. Filed 990-N, accepted, will notify National ACS
 - b. Summary of balance and transactions in restricted funds (ex. Project SEED donations, 2019 IPG)
See Appendix 1
3. Communications Chair (MW)
 - a. Newsletter Report
 - a. We need our newsletter out monthly; how do we make this happen?
 - b. Status of May Newsletter
 - b. Website report – update on webservice transition
#MW not present.
3. Student Organizations
 - a. WMU Chem Club (Andrew Simpkins, President)
 - b. WMU CGSA (Emile Van Meter, President)
 - c. Kalamazoo College (Blake Tresca, adviser; Sarah Nixon [President], Amelia Grey [media]))
#None present.
5. Old Business
 - a. Project SEED update: Virtual Summer Camp Program (DW)
 - a. <https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/education/students/highschool/seed/virtual-summer-camp.html>
#Selection phase. One student from our Section will be participating in the summer camp format. Looks like we will have no cost for her participation.
 - b. HS teacher outreach (DW)
#No new responses. DW contacted HS teacher Heather Reeves at Mattawan. She has interest in learning more about chemistry in food.

- c. Education/Awards status - College Seniors, Teacher, Outstanding HS Students, 50/60 year members (LH)
#Letters and certificates getting signed and printed this week.
#Delivered 50/60 year certificates.
- d. High School Exam WMU testing center (LH)
#Business school has an exam room, not sure on availability to KACS.

6. Upcoming Events

- a. NCW Chemistry Day at the Museum (LH)
#Doubtful we will have hands-on activities at Museum, some interest in some sort of virtual activity

7. New Business

- a. Anyone interested in setting up a Zoom/Skype/Google Meets networking event (ET)
#Some discussion on perhaps setting up small townhall style Zooms for members.
- b. SF National ACS Meeting (LH)
 - i. ACS President-Elect Candidates
#Still no decision on the ACS meeting. Council Policy Committee and Council met virtually. Two candidates for President-Elect selected from a total of 4 nominees: Dr. Mary Carroll and Dr. Angela Wilson.

8. General Discussion

#LH: Former Competitive Exam winner (Lucas Hamelink – Gull Lake HS and KAMSC) graduating as a pharmacist – happy to be remembered and congratulated.

- Some conversation regarding offering one-year AACT membership to HS teachers willing to be helpful in our Education outreach endeavors.

#BS: We're going to have a budget surplus. Perhaps produce a video chem demo or lecture? Some interest in trying to put something together for chemistry day.

9. Next Newsletter (MW)

#Continue sending stuff to Mike Weslosky for newsletter:

- DW: Put together an article on the project SEED changes
- HJ: Potentially use newsletter to highlight local members doing something to support the COVID-19 efforts. Examples: Jake K. making ear spacers for face shields
- LEMH has sent Mike 4 articles for the June Newsletera

- a. Highlight KACS members making contributions during COVID-19 pandemic (HJ to send article?)
- b. LEMH wrote summary article announcing the various KACS "Award" recognition recipients (see third bullet point above)

10. Next Meeting: June 16th, 2020, 6:30 pm via Google Meet, or Kalsec's Todd Building if restrictions are lifted

#ET: Possibly hold socially distanced meeting at a park or such.

#End: 7:33

Appendix 1: Treasurer's Report May 2020

Current accounts summary:

PNC \$15855.42 This is the same as for last month, but see below for outstanding checks

Vanguard investments \$11479.73 in the VIPSX account
\$16889.13 in the VWINX account
\$28368.86 total account balance as of today

Comment on Vanguard investments: *slight* loss since last month

Restricted funds: **Project SEED: \$2050.12**
 IPG: \$1637.83

Income since April 21: None

Outgo since April 21: 2 checks issued to Kalamazoo College outstanding seniors, \$125 each
1 check issued to WMU outstanding senior, \$250
1 check issued to outstanding high school teacher, \$300

Old outstanding checks: None

Total outstanding: \$800

We have available:

PNC \$ 15,055.42

Dues collected by national ACS, response sent to ACS

Tax form – Filed 990-N, new procedure of notifying national ACS not done yet.

