

Executive Committee
Kalamazoo Section, ACS
MEETING MINUTES
12 June 2003

Meeting called to order at 4:45 PM at Bell's Eccentric Café in downtown Kalamazoo.

Present: Ben Maxey (BM); Don Schreiber (DS); Lydia Hines (LH); Brian Stockman (BS); Brian Buffin (BB); Paul Dobrowolski (PD); and Patrick Irish (PI).

1. **Agendas Distributed.** Call for agenda additions or corrections. None forwarded. BB moved for acceptance of the agenda, DS second. Vote: all in favor.
2. **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting.** Minutes from the May 2003 EC meeting were sent electronically prior to the meeting. Additional copies were also distributed. DS moved for acceptance of the minutes, BS second. Vote: all in favor.
3. **Treasurer's Report.** MK sent an electronic message prior to the meeting indicating that all bills of the KACS have been paid and that the section is financially sound. MK will be meeting with DS to prepare Project SEED stipends.

4. **EC Action Items**

a) **Old Business**

- i) *Spring Banquet Wrap-Up.* DS noted that the Spring KACS awards banquet held on 19 May 2003 was a success. Positive feedback and appreciated by those attending. One award recipient noted however that his/her parents were unable to attend because the cost of the dinner for the two of them (\$30) was greater than the award value of \$25. Solutions were discussed including the option of awarding more free dinners or raising the minimum award to \$35. Education committee will address this issue for next year's banquet.
- ii) *Reorganization of KACS Financial Report.* This item was tabled until a future meeting.
- iii) *2003 Fall Tour Speaker.* BM confirmed that the ACS tour speaker in the Fall will be John Fortman. Date will likely be 23 September 2003 at Kalamazoo College. BM to coordinate with JE at Kalamazoo College and the ACS speakers bureau. Early September newsletter may be needed to advertise event. Also look to place announcement in summer issue if possible.
- iv) *2003 Chemistry Day at the Museum.* BS noted that no further progress has occurred. We will likely need to locate a new coordinator for this event as BS is likely to move as part of the Pfizer reorganization.
- v) *Pfizer Acquisition Impact on Section.* BM noted that he will still be in Kalamazoo for now. SL will be leaving. PI is here to stay. PD will likely be moving to Ann Arbor. MK is staying. BB, DS, DC, LH status is unchanged. Discussion followed.

b) **New Business**

- i) *KACS Advertising Policy.* Further revision and drafting of a policy to be discussed at a future meeting. BS moved that we accept and print the advertisement submitted by Steve Bertman for the Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, at Western Michigan University. BB second. Vote: all in favor.

- ii) *Leadership Conference Wrap-UP.* PI noted that the leadership conference for Local Section officers held in Salt Lake City was very good and well worth attending. Many contacts at other sections and at National ACS were made.
- iii) *Successor Chair-elect.* PI noted that he has approached two individuals, 1 male and 1 female, both of which have expressed some interest in being a candidate for chair-elect this Fall.

5. **Committee Reports**

- a) *Nominations.* PI noted that Chair-elect and Newsletter editor will be needed.
- b) *Project SEED.* DS noted that the program started on Wednesday, June 11. Three students are participating at WMU. Reception will be held on Thursday, August 7.
- c) *Newsletter.* PD noted that a July/August newsletter was published in 2002. Questioned the need for one this year. Project SEED reception and Tour Speaker announcements could go into a "summer" issue this year.

Meeting adjourned at 5:28 PM by unanimous vote. Next meeting will be held on 7 August 2003 at 4:30 PM at Bell's Eccentric Café in Kalamazoo.

Minutes recorded by B. Buffin