

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Monday, 26 March 2018, 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Central City Tap House, 359 S. Kalamazoo Mall

Members present: Brian Eklov, Lydia Hines, Steve Secreast, Angela Willson-Conrad, Bill Schinzer, Greg Johnson, Megan Callaghan

Start time: 6:31 pm

End time: 7:45 pm

1. Secretary (Angela)

- February minutes were approved.

2. Treasurer (Bill)

- **PayPal** – We have money (about \$1100) in a PayPal account from the anniversary event that still needs to be sorted out by Andre.
- **Investment Accounts** – John Miller has to fill out a form to give us control of the Vanguard investment accounts.
- **Deposits from ACS** – Bill needs to sort out changing our deposit information from Bank of America to PNC. We contacted ACS and were forwarded along. At this point, we have not heard back from this financial group.
- **Allotment check** – Also the annual allotment check (approx. \$7000) was also sent to the Chemistry Department and Western. This check is separate from our local dues check, which came in March for \$1200.
- By next month's meeting, we would like to have these financial issues with Andre and John figured out.
- **Big Hoss Web Hosting** – We sent a check to Big Hoss which hosts our website, and Andre says it has never been cashed.
- **JGLCRM 2015 Website** – We need to send a check to Mark to maintain our JGLCRM website domain (approved by the EC).

3. Communications (Chris)

- Send items for the April newsletter to ACSkzoo@gmail.com by April 4th.
 - We should include an introduction of Luke. Steve will reach out.

4. Project SEED (Doug)

- ACS has approved our request for the funds for one student (\$1250) and Doug has a student for the summer project (Summer-I).

5. Councilor (Lydia)

- Lydia attended the council in New Orleans on our behalf. Dues for 2019 are going up to \$175. Attendance was great for the meeting. The two names for president-elect of national ACS were selected: Luis Echegoyen and Thomas Gilbert. A Councilor's report has been sent to Mark for the website. Huron Valley (Central Region) is interested in joining our Section as representatives of our Great Lakes Region to co-host a Regional Meeting; it is unclear if they had in mind for this joint meeting to be in 2021; the Great Lakes Region is al-

ready holding a Regional Meeting in Minneapolis in 2021. Lydia will follow up.

6. Education Committee (James)

- **Preliminary Exams:** James has not graded the preliminary exams yet, but we received exams from 11 out of 35 local area high schools. This number of high schools participating has continued to decrease.
- **The awards ceremony** is Monday, May 7th

7. Student Chapters

- **K College (Sabrina)** – no report
- **WMU Chem Club (Greg & Megan)** – Their last school visit was the Friday before Spring break where they did two sets of demonstrations at Lawton Elementary. Also, this past weekend they helped out with the Science Olympiad on campus by running three of the events. The club also did a demo before the award ceremony. Greg will make sure pictures get to Chris for the newsletter. They are making good use of our KACS lab coats. The club is going to Celery Flats for Earth Day on April 14th. Once we hear from the Kalamazoo Nature Center, we will also get registered for that event. Steve will make sure to add Megan to our agenda emails in the future. Her email is: megan.e.callaghan@wmich.edu
- **WMU Chem Grad Students Assoc. (Kristi)** – no report

8. Chair (Steve)

- **El Sol Elementary** – Steve is headed to El Sol elementary on Friday, April 20th to do Spanish bi-lingual chemistry demos with 49 students. He will send Greg more information about the event to see if the Chem Club can support the event. Sabrina may also have some volunteers from K College.
- **NHCL update** – We are still planning a dedication event for May 2019. We started a planning committee with representatives from many groups. The current plan is to have a sit down dinner at the Radisson on Thursday with speakers followed by the dedication on Friday with a few additional symposia. The Friday dedication will be open to the public. The president of the ACS will be here. We currently have a speaker coming from the Mayo clinic.

9. New Business (All)

- **Huron Valley joint meeting proposal** – We submitted a mini grant proposal to have a speaker from St. Louis and to host a career event in late September 2018 with the Huron Valley section.
- Great Lakes Regional Meeting (joint Chicago-Joliet) on May 1-4, 2019, in Lisle, Illinois.
- The United Nations has declared 2019 as The Year of the Periodic Table ☺

10. Wrap Up

- Our next EC meeting will be **Monday, April 16th at 6:30pm** at Central City Tap house - before hopefully moving our meetings outside.