

ACS Columbus Section Executive Committee Meeting

Spaghetti Warehouse, Columbus

March 5, 2018

Attending meeting:

Puran De	Chair
Jim Wasil	Past-chair
Jeff Trent	Chair-elect
Kelly Moran	Treasurer – arrived at 6 p.m.
Bob Kroshefsky	Treasurer-elect
Joan Esson	Councilor
Robert Woodman	Alternate Councilor
Krishna Bobba	Alternate Councilor - arrived after meeting
Leah Pastor	Younger Chemists Committee
Effie Miller	Younger Chemists Committee
Zech Thompson	Younger Chemists Committee
Barbara Ambrose	Secretary
Terry Huston	Chair, Patterson-Crane Award Committee for Columbus section
Steve Troehalaki	Chair, Patterson-Crane Award Committee for Dayton section
Lewis Hogarth	Member
Kaarina Lokko	Member

Absent:

Virginia Songstad	Councilor
Ed King	Councilor
Joan Esson	Councilor
Don Songstad	Alternate Councilor
Robert Woodman	Alternate Councilor
Amber Hendricks	Younger Chemists Committee

Meeting started 5:07 PM

1. Approval of minutes from February meeting – At 5:07 there was not a quorum of members of the executive committee, so the minutes were not discussed.
2. Younger Chemists Committee report – The YCC meeting at the Land Grant Brewery was a success. The Land Grant Brewery is in Franklinton near COSI. Fourteen people attended, including Krishna. The Land Grant Brewery was very accommodating. The meeting was held in the Kickstarter Room which is free to rent. March Poster Session flyers were distributed and the YCC asked for volunteers for judges. (Note- the March poster session was postponed until autumn semester.)
3. Events planned for 2018:
 - The April meeting will be held at ODC; the menu and date needs to be finalized. Sunday, April 8th was proposed as the meeting date.
 - Lewis Hogarth reported on the Columbus Section Award in May. This award consists of an announcement in *The Chemical Record*, an engraved medallion, and a check for \$2,000.

Lewis reported that there was just one nominee for the award, but that the nominations would be open until the end of March, so there could be late entries. If the nominations look good, we can do this at the May meeting; however, the September meeting could be used as a back-up. Robert Bird might be able to find the engraved medallion and certificate. Bob Kroshefsky could do the certificate, if necessary. Holding the meeting on the 19th of May would give a better choice for a room; any time after May 14th should be acceptable. Lewis will keep the Committee posted.

- Puran De will contact the Clippers about baseball game tickets for the summer meeting.
 - The ACS President-elect is not available on 10/23. Christine Casey at CAS said that alternative dates are 10/24 or 10/25.
4. Patterson-Crane Award – Steve Troehalaki, the Dayton Chair of the Patterson-Crane Award committee came to the meeting to discuss the location of this year’s Patterson-Crane Award. The Columbus and Dayton executive committees had voted to give out all Patterson-Crane Awards at CERM meetings, not local section meetings. However, when the Toledo CERM meeting was canceled, this year’s awardee was contacted, and he preferred to receive the award at the Boston National ACS meeting, because he was already planning to attend that meeting as the program committee chair. The Patterson-Crane Award would be a presidentially-recommended event at the Boston meeting. This would be a one-time event, and both sections could work together to work out how to handle this sort of situation in the future. The 2018 Patterson-Crane Awardee, Paul White, said he would be willing to give a talk at a Columbus section meeting, which would address Terry Huston’s concern that members of the Columbus and Dayton local sections might not be able to make it to Boston to see the Patterson-Crane award handed out. The Dayton section has already voted to hold it in Boston; they need to know what the Columbus section wants to do about the award. The Columbus executive committee held an e-mail vote on giving out the Patterson-Crane Award in Boston this year as a one-time event – motion to give the award out in Boston this year made by Puran De, seconded by Robert Woodman, passed without opposition.
5. Treasurer’s Report – 5/3 Bank has provided some options for the section to accept credit card payments. They can set up a payment system for \$10/month and a 2% surcharge on payments. This can be set up to work on the section’s website and could be set up on a smartphone as a portable access point. This system could also be applied to CERM 2020 as well. Discussion on the credit card payment system and purchasing a smart phone to access it was tabled to be discussed at the next meeting.
6. Chair’s Note
- ACS has changed its policy on logos; there are separate designs for ACS national and for the local sections. Puran has forwarded the e-mail about this change to the executive committee members. Bob has downloaded the new logo design for local sections. We should start using the new logo on official Columbus section communications in April.
 - ACS Fellows Nominations – the local sections can nominate people for this award. This award is open to both academic and industrial chemists and is for service to the ACS, to chemistry, and to the community. However, no-one who works for the ACS (such as people who work at CAS) is eligible for the award. Some potential awardees are CERM committee members, such as the OSU professor who is a coordinator for CERM.
 - Puran suggested asking speakers for a copy of their presentations to publish on the section website or on social media. There was support for this idea, but Jim was concerned it could lower attendance at meetings.

7. Recognition of Volunteers – recognition of section volunteers, in particular chairs of committees, was discussed. We could recognize volunteers at the October meeting: invite the volunteers to the meeting then give them a certificate or plaque.
8. New Business – Karrina Lokko and Jeff Trent suggested that the section participate in Chemists Celebrate Earth Day outreach activities. Last year the section participated in Earth Day outreach and in the March for Science. This year, if the Earth Day venue should prove prohibitive, COSI or Franklin Conservatory would be other good sites for outreach.

The meeting closed at 6:05 p.m.