



Columbus Section

Executive Meeting Minutes-April, 2016

Date	04/20/2016
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Position/Role	Name	Attending
<i>Past-chair</i>	Dave Speth	Y
<i>Chair</i>	Jeff Trent	Y
<i>Chair-elect</i>	Jim Wasil	Y
<i>Secretary</i>	Puran De	Y
<i>Treasurer</i>	Kelly Moran	Y
<i>Treasurer-elect</i>	Krishna Bobba	Y
<i>Councilor I</i>	Edmund King	Y
<i>Councilor II</i>	Joan Esson	Y
<i>Councilor III</i>	Virginia Songstad	Y
<i>Alternate Councilor</i>	Donald Songstad	Y
<i>Alternate Councilor</i>	Bob Kroshefsky	Y
<i>Alternate Councilor</i>	Robert Woodman	Y
<i>Guests</i>	Lewis Hogarth	NA

Meeting Minutes:

5:10 Call to order

- Meeting was called to order by the Chair.

5:11 Review of March meeting minutes

- Secretary failed to email the minutes for March 8, 2016 executive committee meeting in advance. So EC was unable to approve the minutes.
- Secretary will send out the meeting minutes from March 8 EC meeting to the members of EC for review via email. The EC will approve the minutes through email after the review.

5:12 Mentorship Program Rollout

- Puran De had sent an outline of the mentorship program ahead of the meeting for review by the EC. The outline included a list of activities that the section was going to undertake for 2016.
- Motion was brought to the table by Krishna Bobba, and was seconded by Jim Wasil.
 - Motion was approved unanimously without changes.



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5:13 May 12th Meeting Planning

- Event for May: HS Chemistry Teacher of the Year Award Reception;
- Jeff Bracken is in charge of selecting the winners- EC hasn't received any names yet;
- Virginia Songstad will finalize the dinner menu and sign a contract;
 - She suggested that the venue will be available from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. The EC is okay with the timeline;
 - EC suggested that the meeting is held from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. prior to the event.
 - She offered to invite Scott C. Ewing, a Music Teacher and Professional Pianist, to attend this event and perform. She also offered to compensate Mr. Ewing on the Section's behalf, as a donation to the section. THANK YOU, Virginia! We appreciate your support and involvement.
- Robert Woodman would communicate with Michael Stamatikos to ensure his availability.

5.18 September Meeting: Innovative Project Grant (IPG)

- Proposed event for September: All-Ohio Sections joint activity at the Columbus Zoo;
 - Toledo section is in charge of leading this effort, Jim Wasil is representing Columbus Section;
- Dave Speth suggested to hold an EC meeting prior to this event to discuss and arrange details for this event;
 - Tentative schedule- Middle of July, Venue- CAS Conference rooms;
- Virginia Songstad suggested to utilize 'Columbus Zoo Newsletter' and 'Experience Columbus' for the promotion of this event;
 - Dave Speth cautioned the EC to ensure that any promotion of this event on any public newsletters or magazines includes a disclaimer that it is a 'Private Event' and that the event is open to members and registrants only.
- Concerns were expressed on the availability of the Zoo for a 'Private Event';
 - Bob Kroshefsky suggested that we consider Sept. 24 as a possible date since OSU football would have a 'bye' week that weekend.
- Due to the nature of the venue, it was determined that honoring the Columbus Section Award properly may be difficult at a zoo;
 - Suggestions were made to move the Columbus Section Award reception to November;
 - Lewis Hogarth, Chair of the Columbus Section Award Committee, will verify Dr. Claudia Turro's (Winner of the 2016 Award) availability in November.

5:30 October Event

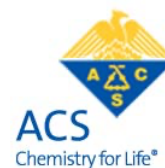
- Event date: October 19th, 2016.
- President Elect- Allison Campbell- is scheduled to talk before the ACS members.



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5:31 Other Activities:

- Earth Day Celebration:
 - Jeff Trent, Chair of the EC, acquired some souvenirs from ACS to share with the April 20th event
- State Science Day:
 - Bob Kroshefsky is in charge of the State Science Day celebration,
 - Everything is on schedule for the event;
 - Bob Kroshefsky has 35 'confirmed' judges who committed to attend this event;
 - He is anticipating approx. 140 participants,
 - He was going to make an announcement to the attendees at the April 20th event to attract more potential judges for their participation.
- Chemistry Olympiad:
 - Dave Speth will follow-up with Mary Wahba, Chair of the Chemistry Olympiad Committee, to check on the status of the event preparations;
- Contribution to COSI:
 - Contribution of \$2000 was approved by the EC in the March 8th meeting;
 - Kelly Moran, Treasurer, will issue a check to COSI shortly.
- ACS Regional Meeting by Cincinnati Section:
 - Jim Wasil, Chair Elect of the Columbus Section, will represent the section at Cincinnati Regional Meeting Planning Committee where the Cincinnati Section of the ACS will discuss the feasibility of hosting 2016 regional meeting;
 - Jim Wasil was advised the EC to consult the Columbus Section Executive Committee before committing anything at the Cincinnati Regional Meeting Planning Committee meeting since hosting a regional meeting entails a significant amount of responsibility for any section to make it a success.
 - Dave Speth brought a motion to approve Jim Wasil as the representative for the Columbus Section at the Cincinnati Regional Meeting Planning Committee. The motion was seconded by Robert Woodman, and was approved unanimously by the committee.
- BioTech Capstone Competition:
 - Columbus Section approved a contribution of \$250 to fund one award at the BioTech Capstone Competition at the February 18th meeting;
 - Jeff Trent volunteered to represent the Columbus Section at the competition;
 - An award check of \$250 would be issued by Kelly Moran after the winner's name has been identified by the BioTech Capstone group.



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5:42 New Business:

- An email was sent by Tom Weeks, Chair of the Silver Circle, to the Chair and the Secretary of the EC expressing dissatisfaction regarding delay in receiving reimbursement checks for expenses he incurred as the Chair of Silver Circle;
 - He inquired if issue of the reimbursement check required approval from the EC. Jeff Trent, Chair of the EC, confirmed him via email that no EC approval was needed in getting reimbursement for the expenses he incurs as the chair of the Silver Circle;
 - He also inquired if incoming officers of the EC are advised by the outgoing officers on their roles and duties for the offices they hold in the EC. Bob Kroshefsky confirmed the EC that he provides guidance to the incoming officers in fulfilling their duties. It was also noted by the EC that the detailed description of duties and responsibilities for positions within the EC are available online on ACS website, and it is often shared with the incoming officers to the EC.
 - Jeff Trent, the Chair of the section, echoed the EC's appreciation for Tom Weeks' service to the Silver Circle and for the excellent events he organizes. THANK YOU, Mr. Weeks!
- Bob Kroshefsky noted that minutes for EC meetings for 2012 and 2013 are missing on the Columbus Section website. He urged members of the EC to find copies of the minutes from archives, if possible.

5:49 Treasurer's Update:

- Kelly Moran worked with the bank to add Krishna Bobba, Treasurer-elect, as an authorized user of the ACS-Columbus account. She handed Krishna Bobba several documents that he needed to take to the bank in order to finalize the process.
- The section received a deposit of more than \$13,000 to its bank account for the annual allotment from the ACS-National.

5:51 Election for Next year's Executive Committee:

- Dave Speth encouraged the members of the EC to recruit new members to serve on the executive committee or as Chair to several Committees that organizes many of the very important events hosted by the section.
- He also recommended that the section work toward holding the election for next year's executive committee by the end of October.

5:55 the meeting was adjourned.