



ACS Columbus Section Executive Committee Meeting - Minutes

April 29, 2020

Attending:

Christopher Hadad	Chair
Clay Harris	Chair-elect
Bob Kroshefsky	Treasurer-elect
Barbara Ambrose	Secretary
Joan Esson	Councilor
Krishna Bobba	Alternate Councilor

Absent:

Emil Stoyanov	Treasurer
Ed King	Councilor
Virginia Songstad	Councilor
Don Songstad	Alternate Councilor
Robert Woodman	Alternate Councilor

Guests:

Jim Wasil	CERM Committee Co-Chair
Jeff Trent	CERM Committee Co-Chair
Pat Woodward	CERM Program Co-Chair
Kayla Kasper	Younger Chemists Committee

Meeting started at 5:34 p.m.

- 1.) 2019 Columbus section annual report - ACS National has still not provided any feedback on the annual report.
- 2.) Cancellation of spring 2020 National ACS Meeting in Philadelphia – Local section members are still waiting on reimbursements of their registration fees from ACS National.
- 3.) Junior and Senior Undergraduate Awards – Bob reported that we do not have all the nominees from the schools; this is not a priority for the schools. Dennison, Muskingum, and OSU have not sent nominations. Pat will look into the situation at OSU and get back to Bob. Joan suggested that given the difficulties faced by students getting jobs this year, the money for the awards should be sent now with a certificate later. Bob has e-mails for all the awardees; he can contact them and send checks to their home addresses. Christopher will send Bob a signature that Bob can use on the certificates. Seniors could receive their certificates in the mail; juniors could walk across the stage at the October meeting with the ACS president-elect.

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- 4.) Liability Insurance for local section's Directors and Officers – discussion of this tabled for a future meeting.
- 5.) Budget status and update – Due to the COVID-19 social distancing restrictions, the section has underspent the budget on meetings and on councilor travel. The local section dues, currently set at \$5/year, were discussed. MOTION to keep the local section dues at \$5 for 2021 made by Krishna, seconded by Joan, passed unanimously. Bob to submit a form to ACS national so they will continue to collect this fee.
- 6.) Local section website – Bob reported that he has sent several e-mails to the website developer for the local section website, but has received no response. The next step will be to give them a call. The trial website exists and is functional, but the local section needs control.
- 7.) Outreach and engagement update: Kaarina Lokko did the Earth Day poetry and art contest; she asked for \$100 for this. The local section budgeted \$750 for a booth at the canceled COSI festival scheduled for May. COSI is asking for this money; Jeff would like to save this money. The possibility of a booth at the Greek Festival and National Chemistry Week celebrations at the Columbus Metropolitan Library were proposed. Joan suggested virtual outreach activities for school-age children over the summer using ACS online content.
- 8.) CERM 2020 current status – The Central Region Board, the Huron Valley section have agreed to move the Huron Valley CERM meeting to 2022. The CERM 2020 committee voted to move CERM 2020 to May 2021, contingent on approval from the Columbus Local Section executive committee. MOTION to move CERM 2020 to May 2021 made by Joan, seconded by Krishna, passed unanimously. Prospective dates and locations for CERM 2021 were discussed. In particular, the possibilities of holding it either at OSU or at the Greater Columbus Convention Center were discussed. ACTION: Jim, Jeff, Bob, Josh, and Pat will review the options and make proposals to the CERM 2020 committee.
- 9.) Awards in 2020 including the Patterson-Crane Award – Awards could be given at the October 2020 local section meeting during the President-elect's visit. Alternatively, the Patterson-Crane Award could be given out at CERM 2021, because the winner of the Patterson-Crane Award gives a presentation.
- 10.) Meeting dates and speaker plan for 2020:
 - May 2020 – virtual meeting or meeting at Hofbrauhaus? With little chance of a face-to-face meeting in May, the May meeting could easily be canceled. Any executive committee business could be conducted by e-mail.
 - August 2020 – at Owens-Corning with a building tour
 - September 2020 – meeting at location to be announced with Gary Booth, former VP for Research, Procter and Gamble as the speaker.
 - October 2020 – At CAS with ACS President-elect H. M. Chang and awards for 50-, 60-, and 70-year members.
 - November – at Owens-Corning with a building tour and Clay Harris as the speaker.
 - Future meeting suggestions (carried over from February's minutes):
 - a.) Enhancing and Demonstrating Diversity for our speakers;
 - b.) Coronavirus immunologist from OSU Department of Medicine;
 - c.) Andre Palmer (Professor, Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, OSU) Artificial blood research;

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d.) David Lenz (US Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense – History of chemical weapons and the development of approved therapeutics.

e.) Microbrewery as a potential location.

d.) Mike suggested microbreweries as potential meeting sites – he will find out if any of them have viable presentation locations. Robert reminded the committee to check for wheelchair accessibility of meeting sites.

e.) Coronavirus – OSU College of Medicine has an immunologist that might be a potential speaker.

11.) Motion to approve the minutes for the March, 2020 executive committee meeting with revisions – motion by Joan, seconded by Clay, passed unanimously.

12.) Krishna is planning to attend the ACS National Meeting in San Francisco in August; he should check with Ed and Virginia to see if they are going to the meeting or if they need him to replace them at the councilor's meeting.

13.) Meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

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