



## Columbus Section

### Executive Meeting Minutes-May, 2016

Date	05/12/2016
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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	N
<i>Councilor III</i>	Virginia Songstad	Y
<i>Alternate Councilor</i>	Donald Songstad	Y
<i>Alternate Councilor</i>	Bob Kroshefsky	N
<i>Alternate Councilor</i>	Robert Woodman	Y
<i>Guests Attending</i>	Nicholas Bashian	NA
	Leah Pastor	NA
	Andrea Rague	NA
	Theresa Huston	NA

### Meeting Minutes:

#### **5:05 Call to order**

- Meeting was called to order by the Chair.

#### **5:07 New Chair for the Young Chemists Committee**

- Nicholas Bashian, outgoing Chairman of the Young Chemists Committee, introduced Leah Pastor to the members of the Executive Committee (EC).
- Leah Pastor volunteered to become the next Chair of the Young Chemists Committee. Thank you, Leah!
- Leah Pastor, member of OSU Chemistry Club, will work with the section to encourage chemistry students to participate in Columbus Section activities and to facilitate some of the student-focused events adopted by the section.



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### **5:10 Approval of Previous Minutes**

- Minutes for EC meeting held on March 8, 2016 and April 0, 2016 were approved unanimously by the members of the EC. The minutes will be posted on the section's website.

### **5:12 Treasurer's Report**

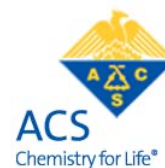
- Treasurer Kelly Moran informed the EC that she is working on sending out the checks to COSI and to BioTECH Capstone as soon as possible.
- Alternate Councilor Donald Songstad informed the EC that he received an e-mail from the ACS-Central Regional Meeting 2016 committee notifying him that ACS-CERM 2016 committee had not received a check for the Columbus Section's pledged contribution of \$1,000.
  - Treasurer Moran will send out this check as soon as possible.
- Treasurer Moran informed the EC that she was not able to submit our 2016 federal tax return on the IRS website. She was denied access to the webpage as soon as she submits the tax form online. Alternate Councilor Bob Kroshefsky had noted the same issue when he tried as well.
  - The EC advised her to contact the ACS National for help with this issue.
- Krishna Bobba, Treasurer-elect, informed the EC that he has been added as an authorized user to the section's bank account.
  - Secretary Puran De suggested that the Treasurer-elect should start sharing some of the responsibilities with the Treasurer to ease her burden and also facilitate dispatch of checks and other necessary documents on a timely manner when the Treasurer is travelling for her work.
  - Treasurer-elect Bobba expressed his openness to sharing responsibilities with the Treasurer, if needed.

### **5:21 May 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting Planning**

- Thanks to Councilor Virginia Songstad for her efforts in securing the venue for the May 12<sup>th</sup> event, and also for sponsoring the music by Mr. Scott Ewing, a professional pianist.

### **5.23 September Meeting: Innovative Project Grant (IPG)**

- Chairman-elect Jim Wasil, will meet with members of other Ohio ACS sections (and some Michigan and Pittsburgh sections) to discuss an event tentatively to be held on September 16<sup>th</sup> through 18<sup>th</sup> at the Columbus Zoo.
  - He will communicate the details of this meeting with the EC after the meeting.
  - An EC meeting will be held in mid-July to discuss these details and to ascertain the level of involvement needed from the Columbus Section. Toledo Section will primarily be at the forefront of this event organization.
  - It was noted that advertisement for this event can be published on local news outlets (e.g. Columbus Monthly, Zoo Newsletter) to attract higher participation.



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### **5.32 50/60-Year Award**

- Chairman Jeff Trent received the certificates for the 50/60-year member awards for the Columbus Section.
  - He will contact Wendy Reichenbach, chairwoman of the Membership Awards Committee, to communicate the names of the awardees.

### **5:30 October Event**

- Event date: October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
- ACS President-elect Allison Campbell is scheduled to be the speaker.
  - Past-chair Dave Speth will contact Christine Casey at CAS to finalize details for the event.
  - The EC decided to send out the announcement for this event early this year to maximize participation.
  - The EC was suggested to contact ACS National regarding publicizing this event.

### **5:40 Sending Announcements**

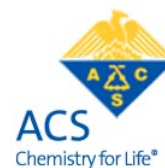
- While Past-chair Speth will be involved in sending out announcements until the end of this year, he would like someone else from the EC to learn how to send out announcements and other important responsibilities.
  - Jim Wasil, Jeff Trent and Dave Speth will meet during the summer to discuss some of these responsibilities.
  - Treasurer-elect Bobba mentioned MentorCLIQ - a local start-up focused on providing mentorship guidance. He suggested that this service can be accessed *pro bono* and can be a great resource for the section in mentoring incoming officers for the EC.

### **5:46 Columbus Section Award**

- The date for this event is yet to be finalized and would need to be confirmed with the award recipient.
  - It is tentatively scheduled for November, but it can be held in September if the IPG event does not materialize this year due to lack of sufficient time for its organization.

### **5:48 Chemists Celebrate Earth Day**

- Chair Trent distributed CCED materials at the April 20<sup>th</sup> Biotech Capstone Competition.
- He also distributed CCED materials at COSI from 5-9 p.m. on Earth Day, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.



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### ***5:51 State Science Day***

- Scheduled to be held on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at the OSU Field House.
  - Approx. 120 posters (90 posters by 7-9 graders and 30 posters by 10-12 graders) have been submitted for this event.
  - Alternate Councilor Bob Kroshefsky is organizing this event and is coordinating judges to make it a success. Thank you, Bob!

### ***5:52 Chemistry Olympiad***

- Past-chair Speth contacted Mary Wahba, Chairwoman of the Chemistry Olympiad Committee, to identify the winners for the Chemistry Olympiad awards but had not received any response from her.
  - He will contact Jeff Bracken, Chairman of the HS School Teachers Award Committee, to get up-to-date contact information for Mary Wahba.

### ***5:55 New Business***

- The section needs a new webmaster for the ACS-Columbus site as the current webmaster, Rob Williams, will be leaving Columbus in the fall to attend graduate school in Georgia. Thank you and good fortunes, Rob.
  - The EC needs to identify a suitable candidate for this job.
  - Alternate Councilor Robert Woodman graciously offered to check if his wife, Reanne, could take over this responsibility.

### ***6:03 Meeting adjourned.***