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4/17/18 Minutes

Attendance: Ali Sezer, Matt Baker, Logan Miller, Brad Davis, Michael Mautino, Diane Miller, Amy Rupert, Haitao Lu, Rich Danchik, Tim Grant, Joe Jolson, Toby Chapman, David Waldeck,

Opening Meeting: Rick Danchik moves, Ali Sezer seconds

Approval of Agenda: Ali Sezer moves, Rich Danchik seconds

Approval of minutes: Rich Danchik motions to approve, Ali Sezer seconds.

Treasurer's report: sent as email to members prior to meeting. Nothing out of the ordinary to report. Rich Danchik commends report. Dave Waldeck asked about contributions to Crucible from SSP and SACP, in 2017 only \$3500 was contributed but in 2018, \$7000 was contributed. Rich Danchik notes that for 2017 the funds were paid earlier and could have been on the 2016 budget.

Chair's report: Welcoming report sent to crucible.

Councilor's report: Rich Danchik sent councilor's report to everyone for last meeting. New Orleans was well attended, with Rich Danchik, Ali Sezer, Rob Mathis, and Kim Woznack, attended

Financial: Account is up and in good shape.

Project Seed: Duquesne not participating this year. SRU to take over Duquesne's part of SEED. More requested for transportation (\$140). Amy Rupert proposes approving expense. Mike Mautino motions to approve to Project Seed Budget, R. Danchik seconds. Motion carries.

Professional relations and employment: nothing to report.

Nominating: Nothing to report.

Chem Olympiad: Sam Baum will provide names for award winners for banquet soon.

Long range planning: Nothing new to report. Planning to meet in the Fall.

Crucible: reminder that 15th of the prior month is still the deadline for submission.

Archives: nothing to report.

NCW: nothing to report. Rich Danchik suggests reminding the two societies about NCW funding. Mike Mautino says that is planned.

On the road: nothing to report.



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Media: nothing to report.

Library Committee: Toby Chapman spoke to the Carnegie library about hosting a speaker series, but was rejected, the reason being the library didn't believe this was in the original spirit of the donation. ACS had donated money to the Carnegie Library which the ACS has some say for its use, but the library owns. Currently, the funding is being spent on science books of varying topics, not just chemistry.

Group Reports:

WCC: award winners for WCC awards submitted for awards banquet

YCC: nothing to report.

Energy Tech Group: The bank account is now unfrozen. Check sent to pay for bench in memory of Mordecai. Announcements for new positions are being prepared, with event planning talks with NETL in progress.

Elected members:

Chair: Tim Grant

Secretary: Heather Juzwa

Treasurer: Connie Zaremsky

ACS Liaison: Joe Jolson

Rich Danchik says a cease and desist letter might be sent from national soon to P. Bergman

ETG meeting on the First steam ship to sail across the Atlantic. April 18th, 6pm, at Bravo Cucina Italiano.

Environmental: nothing to report [no current members]

Polymer: nothing to report

Education: nothing to report.

Old Business:

Officer dues proposal –

Investigation into whether this is allowed by the Bylaws is in progress. Rich Danchik noted that for SSP, SACP, and PittCon any financial compensation is prohibited.

Tripartite Symposium – Held on 4/7

No information on attendance provided. Warrants to be submitted to Amy, so far everything has fallen within budget.

Chemistry Contest – Test on 4/7

New business:



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Resignation of Chair, Kristi Kauffman

For a vacant chair position, the bylaws state that the chair elect assumes responsibilities.

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Rich Danchik noted that in previous situations, the chair elect maintained his/her position but also assumed the vacant chair position and then their elected term the following year.

Brad Davis agrees to maintain chair elect duties and assume chair responsibilities (effectively holding both positions), and then continue to serve as chair for his elected term.

No special elections are required at this time.

SACP/ACS Awards Dinner 5/14. Social hour begins at 5:30.

Brad Davis states that all names are accounted for, and is getting everything together to send invitations out as soon as possible. Names have been sent out for the book and awards.

Brad Davis to contact Heather Juzwa about 50/60 year luncheon. Heather had organized it last year, when she and Logan Miller won a grant to help fund the luncheon.

Brad Davis to try for better attendance at the luncheon this year.

Award dinner announcements have not yet been distributed from ACS, but SACP has distributed theirs.

New "CERM" - Toledo Section Chemistry Conference June 14-16, 2018. The conference includes a social and dinner, keynote, full day of presentations and workshops, student social, and poster session. Abstract submission and early bird registration should be available soon.

Next meeting planning: Summer meeting scheduling:

Meeting suggested for June/July, then a major meeting in August to prepare for events in the fall. Brad Davis to coordinate.

ACS meeting is August 19-23

Ali Sezer reports that he is going on sabbatical, and will be unable to attend meetings in person until Jan. 2019, though he will be available for teleconferencing.

Motion to adjourn: Rich Danchik, Toby Chapman seconds.