

Pittsburgh Section of the ACS

Pittsburgh ACS Section 6/25/18 Minutes

<u>Attendance:</u> Joe Jolson, Brad Davis, Mike Mautino, Logan Miller, Tim Grant, Fu-Tyan Lin, Rich Danchik, Amy Rupert, Heather Juzwa, Michelle Ward, Tabitha Riggio, Toby Chapman

Opening Meeting: Rick Danchik moves, Fu-Tyan seconds

Approval of Agenda: Mike Mautino moves, Rich Danchik seconds

Approval of minutes: Rich Danchik motions to approve, Fu-Tyan seconds.

<u>Treasurer's report:</u> sent as email to members prior to meeting. Nothing out of the ordinary to report. \$3140 sent to Slippery Rock for SEED. \$5000 has been sent for Awards dinner.

As per national regulations, member dues cannot be paid or subsidized for executive board.

<u>Councilor's report:</u> 4 councilors to attend ACS Boston Meeting, August 17-23. Ed Zovinka to serve as alternate councilor for this meeting, and Matt Baker is still waiting on the credential cards necessary for Ed's attendance as an alternate.

Nominating: Nothing to report.

<u>Financial:</u> \$316,891 currently, down slightly from last month, though not unexpected from market turbulance. Quarterly statement due in July.

<u>Project SEED:</u> Covestro and Slippery Rock students started working this week, and funds have been disbursed for SRU students. No program at Duquesne this year. Michelle Ward to provide contact information to Tabitha directly regarding involvement of PITT in Project SEED.

Professional relations and employment: Nothing to report.

<u>Chem Olympiad:</u> Held right before Awards banquet, at which winners were announced.

Long range planning: Nothing 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.

On the road: Nothing to report.

Media: Nothing to report.



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Travel award recipients:

McKayla Miller Slippery Rock University "Facilitation of hydrolysis of a Ni-schiff base using varied chelating agents"

Tatsuya Higaki Carnegie Mellon University

"Tailoring the Structure of 58-Electron Gold Nanoclusters: Au103S2(SNap) 41 and Its Implications"

Group Reports:

<u>WCC:</u> Warrant submitted for funding for next 6 months. Many members interested in getting more involved, but not enough members interested in leading.

YCC: Several events in planning for the next calendar year.

<u>Energy Tech Group:</u> NETL member came to speak on hydraulic fracturing. Meeting held June 7th, planned meetings on third Thursdays of each month. Tentative speakers planned for the fall. Mordecai's memorial bench is in the process of installation.

Legal team from ACS national sent Mr. Bergman a Cease-and-desist letter, and he has not been heard from since. Issues seem to have quieted.

Environmental: Nothing to report [no current members]

Polymer: Nothing to report

Education: Evonne Balduff and Dave Gallaher planning to get meetings set up in the fall.

Old Business:

Awards dinner held 5/14. 4 individual awards presented plus one team award (for 5 total). CERM held June 14-16 in Toledo, some concerns raised about whether or not to call it CERM but it was eventually decided to do so.

New business:

Joe Jolson proposes holding a special meeting for improving regional involvement. Suggestions made to include this in the long-range planning.

Innovative Project Grant due June 30th. (Senior Mini Grant won last year, so this section is not eligible). Brad to reach out to YCC Chair about IPG proposal.



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50-60 year luncheon: Organized by Heather Juzwa. Dinner is July 20th at Lydia's in the Strip, so far 6 people registered. Michelle Ward currently has a few glass award plaques that can be used for this event. Brad to reach out to some contacts he has that had expressed interest. Toby Chapman and Michelle Ward asked to attend.

ChemLuminary Awards: Voting at ACS meeting this year. Pittsburgh Section nominated for NCW award.

Toby Chapman reached out to Jennifer Pickle regarding the Library grant. Library grant was to be used for journals, but the demand for in print journals has significantly diminished.

Jennifer might be willing to use that money for a new

Next meeting planning: Next meeting will be in person, either July or August.

Motion to Adjourn: Rich Danchik. Heather Juzwa seconds.