**Meeting Minutes**

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ed Zovinka, Alysia Mandato, Sarah Scrivener, Kevin Noonan, Madison Martin, Marsha Grimminger, Matthew Price, Rich Danchik, Heather Juzwa, Niharika Botcha, Toby Chapman, Brad Davis, Evonne Baldauff

WELCOME

Approval of Agenda – Rich moves, Heather seconds

Review of Minutes (August 22) – Rich moves, Toby seconds

CHAIR’S REPORT

Be sure to complete Reporting Form for any ACS Pittsburgh events, submit to Ed or Heather

Next Mtg: October 17 (Hybrid)

* Hoping to have it in-person. Working with Evonne to get it to happen at Waynesburg. Looking to have a gathering in Pittsburgh/North/South – please email suggestions about reserving a room or gathering place
	+ Rich suggests the Mellon Institute social room (Kevin can look into booking it, but alcohol is trickier)
* See On the Road section for more information about this discussion

CERM 2024

* We signed the contract with ACS
* We have a Zoom planning meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 21 at 7 PM

TREASURER’S REPORT

* Not much activity this past month (one purchase, one deposit)
* Matt will send out 3 warrants tomorrow morning
* Current checking account balance / operating budget: $119,807.35
* Approval of the report: Rich moves

COUNCILOR’S REPORT

* Report from the Fall 2023 National Meeting went out in the September Crucible
* Spring 2024 Meeting is in New Orleans

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating- Kim

* If you are interested in running for office, let Alysia or Ed know!

PGH & DS Award- Alysia

* Five nominees for the Pittsburgh Award – decision will be made on Friday, September 22
* Distinguished Service award has one nominee, and if no oppositions, this will be our winner
* Dates to avoid: November 13 is SACP/SSP meeting, avoid November 14 (Faraday lecture)

Financial – Heather/Kim

* Baird account is hovering around $390,000
* Trying to transfer all funds to Baird accounts
* Setting up ACH so we can have access to money for CERM, this will be called a “loan”

Chemistry Olympiad/PJAS – Kevin

* Nothing to report

Project SEED – Tabitha

* Final report can be shared with committee
* Article for the Crucible will be coming – Alysia/Sarah reach out about this
* Tabitha is working with Evonne for NCW

CERM 2024 – Logan/Matt

* Signed MOA with ACS and signed another contract, about two weeks later we needed to re-sign because ACS National claims they never got them. These have been sent off.
* We are meeting on Thursday, September 21 at 7 PM (Kevin, Kim, Matt, Logan, Alysia, Ed)
* Tentative location: Greentree hotel to avoid downtown, Matt is working on this (hopefully done by Thursday)

Travel Grants – Heather

* Heather – gave one grad, two undergrad travel grants – already received one undergraduate report back
* Will put on final report for website – Alysia will put them on the website
* Next deadline is December 1

Crucible – Sarah

* Sarah will be taking over the Crucible – SGS49@pitt.edu / crucible@pittsburghacs.org
* Sarah introduced herself! Welcome!

NCW & SciTech Days – Evonne

* In need of volunteers for NCW at the Science Center
* Friday, October 20, 9 AM – 2 PM: ChemFest-style event
	+ Exhibition style where groups can come in to do demonstrations
	+ An ACS table will be at the event if anyone is available!
	+ CSC is taking care of busing in students
	+ Theme is “The Healing Power of Chemistry”
* October 16, 19, 20: Lab experiments at CSC
	+ Individual classes will be in the lab
	+ Looking for volunteers to be present at each timeslot – contact Evonne
* Information will be sent out in an email this week, put on the website, share on Facebook

PRSEF – Sam

* Nothing to report

Strategic Planning – Kim/ Ronghong

* Nothing to report

Social Media – Alysia

* Alysia will be setting up a meeting with Madison Martin (sophomore at Pitt main campus) and Korina Pebley (junior at Pitt Johnstown) to plan social media efforts!

On the Road @ Waynesburg (South Site, SPR in- person meeting)

* Ed is asking Brad and Evonne for Oct meeting (Mildred Perry Lecture)
* Tuesday, October 17
	+ Mt. Lebanon Library + café for drinks and snacks afterwards
	+ Evonne will look into reserving this

GROUP REPORTS

WCC

* Looking for someone to help out with this!
* Niharika can reach out to these volunteers from the spring about leadership

YCC / Energy Tech / Polymer

* Alysia will send out another call for volunteers to see if anyone is interested

Environmental – Ronghong

* Heather and Ronghong met last week and are going to try to get more people involved
* Get a receipt to pay for the dinner here
* Ronghong is looking into outreach ideas, speakers, etc.

Education – Matt

OLD BUSINESS:

* Nothing to report

NEW BUSINESS:

* Nothing to report

Motion to adjourn: Rich moves