**MEETING MINUTES October 20th, 2022, 6:30pm**

IN ATTENDANCE

Kim Woznack, Niharika Botcha, Toby Chapman, Fu-tyan Lin, Rich Danchik, Haitao Liu, Ronghong Lin, Evonne Baldauff, Alysia Mandato

**Approval of Agenda**: Rich moves, Haitao seconds

**Approval of Minutes**: Ronghong moves, Rich seconds

CHAIR’S REPORT

* **Meeting schedule**: Third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM via Zoom and in-person. Next meeting will be November 15th via Zoom.
* **Reminder:** Please forward final reports to Kim or Heather Juzwa for Annual Report.

TREASURER’S REPORT

* Nothing to report

COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

* The next meeting is in Indianapolis in March 2023. Haitao and likely Kim will attend in person.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating

If anyone is interested in elected executive positions, reach out to Kevin as soon as possible.

PGH & DS Award

Nominations are in and are being discussed this month.

Financial

Hefren-Tilotson is merging with Baird this month and will be non-discretionary for the time being. Balance: $\_\_\_\_\_\_

Project SEED

Nothing to report

Prof Relations/Employment

Nothing to report

Chemistry Olympiad

Reached out to Kevin about re-establishing the process from last year. ACS Pittsburgh will continue to support this. We would like to share contact information (CCEW, NCW lists) to get more student participation.

Strategic Planning

Kim and Ed are putting together the details for the retreat on November 5 at Rec 333. Pre-work has been collected from participants. Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_. The virtual follow-up will likely be November 12.

CERM 2024

We will check in with Logan about the venue, positions, etc.

Crucible

Please send everything to Alysia before the end of the month! If anyone is interested in helping with the Crucible, please reach out to Alysia.

On the Road

Nothing to report

CCEW

Nothing to report

NCW

Thank you to Alysia for sending out last minute emails about NCW. Teacher kits are going to be sent to about 80 teachers in the area, and 9 local student chapters will be helping with this! None of the student chapters wanted to take a tour of galvanizing plant – might be a nice thing to try again. Meeting and mixer (in-person) is occurring now! Carnegie Science Center “Tour your Future” was cancelled. CSC wet chemistry labs did occur on October 17 (acid/base indicator) (~50 students). CSC has a nice chemistry facility – we should focus on this for next time. We ask for funding from SACP, SSP, PPG, and PPG secondary education council to give to the CSC. Now, Pittsburgh ACS has been supporting the program mostly. ChemFest did not occur, but CSC has offered a program called SciTech Days. This December is the physical sciences SciTech (December 16), and they would like us to fund it. They are asking for $15,000 (typically ranges between $13,000-17,000). SACP and SSP already support SciTech days, so we may not be able to ask for money from Societies. Evonne wants to separate SciTech Days from the wet chemistry labs and do both. Could we decide on how much we want to support SciTech Days?

Questions:

PPG does not financially support “Tour your Future”, but they do support ChemFest. Could we name “SciTech Days” something including “ChemFest”?

Can we do ChemFest somewhere else? New science museum?

Did CSC put the proposal in writing? Can we share that with the executive committee? It will be revised.

Does this SciTech day need volunteers?

Our Education Group used to include many high school chemistry teachers and college professors – maybe we should try to re-energize this group?

NCW poem entries are coming in!

GROUP REPORTS

WCC

The Pitt Student WCC group is planning some ideas for this year.

YCC

Niharika may need to find someone to help. Alysia and Brianna (other grad students!) might be good candidates.

Energy Tech

Nothing to report

Environmental

Events could be for members and non-members. Ronghong’s idea is to have regular in-person/Zoom meetings/seminars about climate change, history of the region, air quality. Work with local groups Pittsburgh environmental groups and have conversations with them. Field trips to wastewater treatment plants, dam system, Denora, petroleum plant. Network with other local groups. Each topical group has been given $400 twice a year in the past. Could put a call for volunteers in the Crucible.

Polymer

Nothing to report

Education

Nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS

* Alysia will put out a survey in the November Crucible about the use of the Carnegie Library service (accessing ACS journals in the libraries). Will also put it on Facebook page, Instagram, etc. We can reach out to local universities about this service (chem department chairs)

NEW BUSINESS

* Social Media: would like to revive these (Facebook, Instagram, YouTube). Let’s get HootSuite going again.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Rich moves