

American Chemical Society Puget Sound Section (PSS)
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2015

I. Call to order

Cheryl Bick called to order the regular meeting of the ACS Executive Committee at 7:00 P.M. on June 8, 2015 at North Seattle Community College.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present: Cheryl Bick, Despina Strong, Carole Berg, Jonathan Clark, Greg Milligan, Amar Yahiaoui, Neal Yakelis, Charity Lovitt, David Munch, Gary Christian, Mark Wicholas, and Dharshi Bopegedera.

III. Secretary's report

Karen Goodwin (absent) electronically submitted the minutes of the May meeting. These were reviewed by the committee. Mark W. moved to approve the minutes, Greg M. seconded. The May minutes were approved.

IV. Treasurer's report

Carole Berg submitted the May Treasurer's report. No word yet from Women's Chemistry Retreat. Other than that, all is well. Boeing matching gift for Women's Chemistry Retreat is now being reprocessed. Carole Berg used her email address at Bellevue as a stopgap measure until the Communications Subcommittee decides how to manage our Section's email/ mailing address issues. Paypal transfer of funds has occurred recently. Despina S. moved that the Treasurer's report be approved, Amar Y. seconded. The report was approved.

V. Announcements/Reports

- a. Update on 50/60 Banquet: one positive RSVP so far. Investigating some others by phone call.
- b. Reminder to send brief descriptions of duties to Jonathan for The Chemist.
- c. Update from the Communications Task Force: Physical mailing address: associate with the treasurer each year? PLU hosts two distribution lists: exec committee list and newsletter mailing list. Also, there is a gmail account, and an associated google calendar and google drive. The gmail account is associated with PayPal. We need an official email address such as executivecommittee@pugetsound.sites.acs.org. Despina suggested we additionally have educationcommittee@pugetsound.sites.acs.org

- d. Two events held this past month: retirement of Sue Jackels at Seattle University and the Rabinovitch Symposium at UW on May 30th.

VI. Business

- a. Career Event - Dharshi B. reported the 2016 Career event will be held at the Brightwater Water Treatment Facility in Woodinville. She will fix the date soon (mid-Feb 2016) and book space over the summer. They already have a keynote speaker from the plant.
 - a) Despina S. made a motion to approve \$200, Mark W. seconds. – Passed
 - b) Despina S. made a motion to approve \$300 for supporting speakers, Greg M. seconds. – Passed

- b. WCCTA – The section traditionally supports the annual Washington College Chemistry Teacher’s association meeting by sponsoring a vendor table and a speaker. The meeting this year will be held October 8-10th.
 - a) Despina S. makes a motion to approve \$500 added as a budget line for ongoing support of this event (vendor table + speaker support) – Passed

- c. Chemluminary Award Nomination – Award for Outstanding Continuing Public Relations Program of a Local Section -- For our involvement sponsoring the WCCTA 2014 in Leavenworth, WA! Great job, Dharshi! Dharshi may not be available to represent us at the ceremony, but she will investigate. Greg M. moved to approve travel and one hotel night for Dharshi to represent our section at the Chemluminary Award Ceremony, Amar Y second – passed.

- d. The Executive Committee passed a motion to honor and thank Robbyn Anand for her dedicated service to the Puget Sound Section and her instrumental role in beginning the now annual Women’s Chemist Retreat. Despina S. moved, Greg M. seconded – passed.

- e. September 14th meeting – NOT being held at North Seattle Community College. Instead, 7 PM Snappy Dragon, David Munch will arrange reservation.

VII. Adjournment

Cheryl adjourned the meeting at 8:20 P.M.

Minutes taken by Neal Yakelis, transcribed and submitted by Karen Goodwin

Councilor/Term: Mark Wicholas (#1, 2017), Gregory Milligan (#2, 2015), Craig Fryhle (#3, 2016), Gary Christian (#4, 2017)
Alternate Councilor/Term: Jennie Mayer (#1, 2017), Amar Yahiaoui (#2, 2015), Neal Yakelis (#3, 2016), Dharshi Bopegedera (#4, 2017)