

American Chemical Society Puget Sound Section (PSS)
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
October 9, 2017

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Karen G. at 7:03 pm on October 9, 2017.

II. Roll Call

The following persons were present: Karen Goodwin*, Sheri Tonn*, Arwyn Smalley*, Michael Meechan*, Jonathan Clark*, Greg Milligan*, Craig Fryhle*, Gary Christian*, Despina Strong*, Gwen Gross*, Alicia Taylor*, Dharshi Bopegedera*, Charity Lovitt, David Munch, and Carole Berg.

Executive Board members absent: Len Andrews*, Mark Wicholas*, and Amar Yahiaoui*.

*Indicates voting member per bylaws.

III. Secretary's Report

May minutes were read. Despina S. motioned to approve the minutes, Gary C. seconded, the motion passed. September minutes were read. Sheri T. motioned to approve the minutes, Craig F. seconded, the motion passed. Michael M. had nothing to report.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Arwyn S. discussed financial differences since September meeting. More stamps were bought, under administration. Paid Roxanne back for National Chemistry Week supplies, under "National Chemistry Week & Earth Day" for \$585.55. Received receipts for science fair at Bellevue College, spent \$200 which is \$300 less than previously proposed. Despina S. announced a request has been made by Mt. Vernon High School for \$1000 to purchase chemicals and equipment. Sheri T. motioned to approve the report, Gwen G. seconded, the motion passed.

V. Announcements/Reports

a. Education Committee Report

Despina S. would like more involvement from the executive committee if possible. Contact Despina S. for more information.

b. WCCTA

Carole B. reported how the WCCTA was excellent and well done, especially having ACS being a sponsor. Karen G. said all of our donations are going towards the student clubs and internships. Dharshi B. said the speaker was impactful and a good possible science cafe speaker. It is a positive how the new

standard is to make an advertisement for ACS and have a table. Karen G. noted how “amazing” our table looked.

c. Programming

Karen G. omitted the programming report from the approved meeting agenda because of the previously planned absence of Len A.

d. YCC Report – Allyship and Resume Event

Alicia T. detailed both upcoming events. Allyship will be a hands-on theatre activity, interacting with different scenarios encountered in the workplace. Resume/pizza night will be a networking opportunity for students. Alicia T. would like volunteers, will send out an email to section for volunteers. Alicia T. showed interest in having more events with other campuses with excited students.

e. Senior Chemists Committee

Despina S. electronically sent report prior to meeting. Despina S. reported she would be inviting senior members, over the age of 50, to lunch at Snappy Dragon on November 10th. Each participant will be charged \$7, rest of expenses will be covered by the Puget Sound Section from the 2017 budget. Despina S. plans to ask for volunteers to serve on the committee, judge high school science fairs, and help brainstorm event ideas for 2018.

VI. Old Business

a. Elections – Announce Slate and Select Tellers

Karen G. announced and handed out a hard copy of the slate of candidates. Karen G. mentioned that Michael would be in charge of online ballots. Neal Y., Sheri T., and Jonathan C. were selected as tellers.

VII. New Business

a. Career Event

Dharshi B. said to accommodate for about 65 attendees.

b. 2018 Pauling Award

Sheri T. mentioned the efficiency of the Portland Section’s documentation and how we should extract what we can get. The budget for Pauling last year was \$7,500. Despina S. said that we would spend less if we were to have sponsors. Karen agreed to find a speaker for 2020 and create a connection now instead of leaving it up to the new chair.

c. Reminders – 2018 Budget, Committee Chairs, FORMS

Karen G. asked committee chairs to bring their budget reports to the November meeting instead of the January meeting. Karen asked everybody to document any events that have occurred this past year on the ACS PSS online form. Greg M. would like to update the forms abundantly with photos, thank you notes, and more.

d. Wine Fest Event

Carol B. talked about her Wine Fest event coming up on Saturday, October 14th. There is a table reserved and another reminder will be sent out to see if anybody else would be interested.

e. Chemistry in a Box

Sheri T. mentioned PLU would be hosting chemistry in a box, "chemistry rocks", at 4pm on October 22nd. Karen G. said that Centralia will most likely have it at a different time/day.

VIII. Adjournment

Dharshi B. motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jonathan C. seconded. The motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.