

American Chemical Society Puget Sound Section (PSS)  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
December 11, 2017

**I. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Karen G. at 7:02 pm on December 11, 2017.

**II. Roll Call**

The following persons were present: Karen Goodwin\*, Len Andrews\*, Arwyn Smalley\*, Michael Meechan\*, Jonathan Clark\*, Greg Milligan\*, Gary Christian\*, Despina Strong\*, Gwen Gross\*, Alicia Taylor\*, Charity Lovitt, David Munch, and Carole Berg

Executive Board members absent: Sheri Tonn\*, Mark Wicholas\*, Craig Fryhle\*, Amar Yahiaoui\*, Dharshi Bopegedera\*

\*Indicates voting member per bylaws.

**III. Secretary's Report**

November minutes were read. Len A. motioned to approve the minutes, Arwyn S. seconded, the motion passed.

**IV. Treasurer's Report**

Arwyn S. had two reports, October (corrected version) and November. Len A. motioned to approve October report with corrections, Despina S. seconded, the motion passed. Len A. motioned to approve November report, Despina S. seconded, the motion passed.

**V. Announcements/Reports**

a. Education Committee Report

Despina S. had nothing to report.

b. Programming

Len A. received an invitation for the 25<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference on Chemical Education (BCCE) in the mail and wanted to let others know about the event. Alison Campbell's attendance in spring 2018 is still tentative.

c. Resume Workshop Event

Alicia T. said the joint event with UW Materials Science Society was a huge success, consisting of 10 volunteers from industry and about 30 students. Students had 4 opportunities to meet with another volunteer.

d. Diversity Event

Alicia T. announced that the second part of the diversity event would be at UW in spring of 2018. The diversity event is from the innovative project grant (national grant) and is open to students interested in the broader sciences with a networking social hour.

e. Christmas Party

Carole B. reminded people about her Christmas event being held at her home on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm and anybody is welcome.

f. Career Event

Dharshi B. emailed an electronic report. 67 people are registered, would like to see representation from other schools, such as community colleges, UW, UPS, Seattle U., and Seattle Pacific. Will contact more people early January in hopes to fill up event. Raffle donations are most welcome, such as molecular model kits, reference books, and biographies of scientists.

g. Mark Wicholas

A moment of silence was made in memory of Mark W. Honor of his contributions to ACS will be discussed later.

## **VI. Old Business**

a. 2017 Pauling Report

Karen G., Charity L., and Len A. went to the event. Karen G. said the event was good overall as an attendee. Charity L. said it was helpful attending two Paulings in a row and encourages others to go to the event if they can. Charity L. announced the new award chair, Kim Gunnerson. The committee discussed diversity in terms of elections and nominations. Arwyn S. motioned to move the conversation of the Pauling diversity and how to word things until another time, Karen G. seconded, the motion passed.

## **VII. New Business**

a. Budget

Arwyn S. brought up the proposed budget from 2017. The committee discussed changes to be made for the 2018 budget. Travel subsidies for councilors will be discussed at a later time. Karen G. motioned to approve the proposed 2018 budget, Gwen G. seconded, the motion passed.

## **VII. Adjournment**

Karen G. motioned to adjourn the meeting, Gwen G. seconded, the motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Councilor/Term: Mark Wicholas (#1, 2017), Gregory Milligan (#2, 2018), Craig Fryhle (#3, 2019), Gary Christian (#4, 2017), Despina Strong (#5, 2018) Alternate Councilor/Term: Gwen Gross (#1, 2017), Amar Yahiaoui (#2, 2018), Alicia Taylor (#3, 2019), Dharshi Bopegedera (#4, 2017)