

American Chemical Society Puget Sound Section (PSS)  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
January 8, 2018

**I. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by Len A. at 7:04 pm on January 8, 2018.

**II. Roll Call**

The following persons were present: Len Andrews\*, Alicia Taylor\*, Michael Meechan\*, David Munch\*, Jonathan Clark\*, Craig Fryhle\*, Despina Strong\*, Carole Berg\*, Charity Lovitt\*, Natalie Merrill\*, and guest Lauren Wugalter

Executive Board members absent: Karen Goodwin\*, David Patrick\*, Gregory Milligan\*, Dharshi Bopegedera\*, Gwen Gross\*, Amar Yahiaoui\*

\*Indicates voting member per bylaws.

**III. Secretary's Report**

Michael M. had nothing to report. The December 2017 minutes will be reviewed in February.

**IV. Treasurer's Report**

David M. reported the treasurer's report. We are starting 2018 with no outstanding balances. Charity L. motioned to approve the treasurer's report, Alicia T. seconded, the motion passed.

**V. Business**

a. 2018 Proposed Budget

The 2018 proposed budget was previously approved with a passed motion in December 2017.

b. 2018 Committee Chair Nominations

Nominations were made. Craig F. motioned to approve the new local section committee chairs, Despina S. seconded, the motion passed. Michael M. will complete necessary paperwork for ACS National.

**VI. Announcements**

a. ACS Career Day – Jan. 31 Center for Urban Waters Research Laboratory, Tacoma

Len A. announced that the ACS career day is at urban waters research laboratory in Tacoma.

b. Undergraduate Research Symposium – April 28<sup>th</sup> at Evergreen State University

Len A. made an announcement about the upcoming Undergraduate Research Symposium.

c. NORM 2018 Richland, WA – June 24-27

Len A. made an announcement about the upcoming NORM. Steve, from Richland, would like to continue advertising for the event.

d. UW Talks

Natalie M. said Donna Nelson would have a talk on January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. Craig F. said Mike Gelb would have a talk on January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30pm.

## **VII. Reports**

a. Education Committee

Despina S. reported that the first travel grant has been approved for the year. Students at St. Martin are being gifted of \$400/club. St. Martin has been approved for a \$400 travel grant.

b. Younger Chemists Committee

Alicia T. reported about YCC's two definite events: joint AWIS-ACS sustainability event and second event for the diversity award (IPG). Despina S. said Roxanne, guest, would be a good resource for reaching out to middle school students.

c. Program Committee

Len A. said another drinking event is probable in the near future. Allison Campbell attending in the spring to give a talk is still tentative.

d. Senior Chemists Committee

Carole B. would like to know what events to do or not to do for this year. Feedback is appreciated.

e. Tour of Bridgewater

Despina S. is planning a tour of Bridgewater in the spring with a box lunch.

f. Pauling Award Nominations

Charity L. discussed about the voting for Pauling Award nominations. Charity is creating a nomination website. A linear voting system between sections would be ideal. Charity L., Jonathan C., and Craig F. will be discussing further about how to make this happen.

## **VIII. Old Business**

a. Section Annual Report

Karen G. was not present to talk about the section annual report. Reminder to complete personal duties before the next meeting. Alicia T. was asked by the committee to self-nominate her career event.

**IX. Adjournment**

Charity L. motioned to adjourn the meeting, Craig F. seconded, the motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Councilor/Term: David Patrick (#1, 2020), Gregory Milligan (#2, 2018), Craig Fryhle (#3, 2019), Dharshi Bopegedera (#4, 2020), Despina Strong (#5, 2018) Alternate Councilor/Term: Gwen Gross (#1, 2020), Amar Yahiaoui (#2, 2018), Carole Berg (#3, 2019), Charity Lovitt (#4, 2020), Natalie Merrill (#5, 2018)