

American Chemical Society Puget Sound Section (PSS)

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2014

I. Call to order

Despina Strong called to order the regular meeting of the ACS Executive Committee at 7:00 P.M. on January 13, 2014, at North Seattle Community College.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present: Nick Milanovich, Despina Strong, Carole Berg, David Munch, Jennie Mayer, Greg Milligan, Karen Goodwin (Centralia College), Andy Zweig, Phil Mayer, Craig Fryhle, Robbyn Perdue-Anand, Amar Yahiaoui, Jonathan Clark, Neal Yakelis, Mark Wicholas, Christine Devine (Weyerhaeuser), Alison Thompson, William Stier (Bellevue College)

III. Secretary's report

Phil Mayer presented the minutes from the November 18, 2013 meeting. Greg Milligan motioned and Andy Zweig seconded to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved. Phil M. also presented the election results prepared by the tellers, Jonathan Clark and Jennie Mayer. Despina S. welcomed new officers.

IV. Treasurer's report

Carole Berg presented the treasurer's report for January 1 including the report for the year 2013. Craig Fryhle motioned and Amar Yahiaoui seconded to accept the treasurer's report for the year 2013. The treasurer's report was approved. Carole B. presented a draft of the 2014 budget. A discussion followed including these topics. The Finance Committee is to meet with a goal of reducing the forecasted deficit in the 2014 budget.

V. Chair's report

Despina S. announced that Jonathan Clark is the Editor of The Chemist for the year 2014. Despina S. presented the list of 2014 Section Committees.

VI. Business items

- a) Greg Milligan, Neal Yakelis, Gary Christian, and Mark Wicholas are to attend the March ACS National Meeting.
- b) Despina S. announced that the Career Day organized by Darshi Bopegedara will occur at noon on Wednesday, February 12, 2014.
- c) Carole B. announced that the February speaker will speak at Bellevue College at 9:30 a.m. and in the evening at St. Martins University, on February 10, 2014. The committee agreed to hold the February exec meeting at the usual date and time despite the conflict with the evening talk,
- d) Nick Milanovich indicated that the Annual Report for the Puget Sound Section is due on February 15, and he asked for activities to be updated on FORMS.

- e) Nick M briefed the committee on his efforts to secure support and to host Dr. Younghood (U of Purdue) at the Weyerhaeuser campus. Committee members debated the merit of co-sponsoring the speaker with Portland given limited audience or interest in the section. Nick planned to continue to research.
- f) Mark Wicholas and Jennie Mayer presented guidelines for planning speaker events.
- g) Carole B. moves that we do not give more than \$100 award plus a certificate for the K-12 Science Fair at Bellevue College in 2014. Neal moves for an equal award to be given at the Science Fair held in southern WA. Amar seconds. The motion passes.
- h) Despina S. proposes a retreat to be held in March for 3-4 hours with the purpose of discussing long-term goals of the Puget Sound Local Section.

VII. Adjournment

Despina adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Minutes submitted by Robbyn Perdue-Anand.

Councilor/Term: Mark Wicholas (#1, 2014), Gary Christian (#4, 2014), Greg Milligan (#2, 2015), Craig Fryhle (#3, 2016)
Alternate councilor/Term: Jennie Mayer (#1, 2014), Dharshi Bopegedera (#4, 2014), Amar Yahiaoui (#2, 2015), Neal Yakelis (#3, 2016)