



American Chemical Society

Richland Section Board Meeting

Wednesday, 11-14-2012 6:30:39 PM at TWST Room 247 WSU Tri City Campus

Present: Jo Marie Johnson, Steve Krogsrud, Karen Grant, Frannie Smith, Phillip Koech, Dave Heldebrant

Absent: Anna Cavinato, Richard Hermens, Janet Bryant

Call in number: 509-335-4700

Call to order at __6:08 pm__

1. Review October Minutes- Minutes accepted pending correction of Phillip's first name.
2. Old Business:
 - a. Election update: We have received 38 ballots so far. Frannie and Dave will count the ballots. People have till November 27 to vote.
 - b. National chemistry week events- Anna sent an email about the La Grande event. They had 28 children attend who participated in lots of nanotechnology activities. We also had chemistry merit badge activities. They had 17 boy scouts, 6 girl scouts, and 2 other boys. The event went well and was held over two Saturdays in November. They did activities involving cleansers, pollution, acid rain, and chemical safety. Physical and organic chemistry activities were also done which included a potato battery with various metals, and the Cartesian diver experiment.
 - c. Career Fair- We had over 70 students that attended. The feedback from the students who attended was very positive, and said it was much more informative than the one the previous day at WSU. Students from college, high schools, and middle schools attended. They found out information on careers that require chemistry. A professor that came from Yakima Community college. She is interested in getting a student section started at her school. We would like to encourage this at all of the area community colleges. We need to send thank-you notes to those who attended.
 - d. Finalizing Geezerfest- Wednesday, December 12, 4-9 pm in the WSU atrium. We still need to arrange catering and line up a key note speaker. Frannie will check on what caterer is approved by the school and call the caterer. Our budget is \$750 for food and speaker. We have three new ACS fellows, two 60 year members for which we will buy \$25 gift cards. Karen Grant offered to talk about her research on Noble fir oil, and the undergraduate research program on natural product chemistry. We discussed the event agenda, and emphasized that it is primarily a social occasion. Dave will work on a draft program. We also want to give gift cards to thank special volunteers, like Cary Seidel for all his work on the science Olympiad. Dave will get some advertising.
 - e. Spring annual social- "Chemistry of Romance"- We will try to get a speaker from a chocolate company from Seattle called Theo to come to give a talk.
 - f. Bylaws?-The members of the Bylaws committee are not here, so this is tabled till the next meeting.



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3. New Business

- a. Sending Chair elect to ACS Leadership institute in January- If Jo Marie Johnson is elected she will be sent to Dallas Fort Worth. It is in mid- January for a weekend. Registration opens Nov. 15 through Jan. 4.
- b. Annual report to ACS early start- These are due on Feb. 15. Dave would like to start on this soon so it won't be a rush.
- c. Science Olympiad-Yes we want to do it again this year. We also need to have a place to have it. We have a budget of \$200. We had it at CBC before, and Karen will check to see if we can have it there again. Cary Seidel is willing to lead this again.