



# American Chemical Society

Richland Section Board Meeting  
Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at TCIC 223 WSU Tri City Campus

Present: Jo Marie Johnson, Tanya Knickerbocker, Steve Krogsrud, Cary Seidel, Frannie Smith,  
Dave Heldebrant, Abhi Karkamkar, Jann Frye, Sandy Fiskum  
On Phone: None

Meeting ID/Password: 22754

Participants: 5

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Call to order at      6:15 pm     

- Review February Minutes were approved.
  
- Bylaws approved on 3/7/14!
  
- Jun-Dec 2012 Dues check (\$1040) received by Satish on 3/4/14 (Still waiting on Richard's travel reimbursement)
  
- May 17- Will be the Leadership development course. Jann needs to reserve a room for 8:30 to 12:30. Limit of 30 people. We will send out an email about the course. Jo Marie will take names. Sandy suggested that we allow more than 30 sign up and allow the extras to audit the course.
  
- Janet suggested earlier today that we accept the National ACS code of conduct at meetings, and post it on our web page. Jo Marie moved that we adopt the policy, and Sandy seconded. We passed it.



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- Sandy Fiskum has been recognized as Outreach volunteer of the year. Dave Koppenaal has been named 2014 recipient of the Division of analytical chemistry award in chemical instrumentation for his work in unique plasma-source mass spec instrumentation. Karen Grant is being nominated for 2014 ACS Fellow.
  
- March Events
  - Mid-Columbia Science Fair (3/13-15/14) (\$300 + \$50 + \$50)- We have several members signed up to judge the senior division (grades 10-12) on behalf of the ACS.
  - National Meeting-“Chemistry & Materials for Energy”-Dallas-3/16-20/14- Anna, Janet and Richard are attending. Anna is taking 18 students, and has requested that we consider donating some money to help defray the costs. We had proposed \$2800 to cover student travel costs. We plan to give \$2000 to Anna for the national meeting, and the remaining \$800 to Karen to cover costs for the northwest regional meeting.
  - March 25-26- Gear up science festival at YVCC. They expect about 2000 students. There are hundreds of exhibits, and ages range from kindergarten to 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
  - Science Café Planning/Budget Vote-Tuesday, 3/18/14-6PM Richland Public Library, Gallery Room, Dr. Karthi Ramasamy (Biomass Conversion Processes to Hydrocarbon Fuel)- We will have food and drinks-Jann will get fruit and cookies, Sandy will get cheese and crackers. Frannie will get copies of the budget. Dave will take photos. Steve will send out a reminder and is trying to contact AICHE to let them know. We will also put flyers up at work.
  - Expanding Your Horizons (3/22/14)- We are not participating this year. We did not volunteer in time to make their program.
  - Hanford High Knowledge Bowl (3/22/14) (\$100)- They are going to state.
  - Nuclear Science Merit Badge (3/22 and 3/29/14) Sandy has 36 scouts signed up to participate, and 20 on the waitlist for next year
  - Lewis and Clark Science club- Sandy and Dave spent the last month conducting chemistry experiments with elementary school students. The goal was to teach kids observation and chemistry testing skills, including pH tests, flame tests, and



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others testing with white kitchen powders (flour, salt, baby powder, cream of tartar, etc.)

- Tanya said that they held a Science Olympiad a couple of weeks ago at YVCC. It was well attended.
- Chemistry Olympiad- Cary said we have 8 students who are going to take the test. It will be held in Yakima. Students from Hanford, Richland, West Valley, Highland, Selah, East Valley.
- Tanya also reported on the Chem Club outreach activity that they held at Central Washington University. She said it was fun and well attended.
- We plan to apply for other outreach grants for underserved groups to stimulate interest in science.



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