



# American Chemical Society

Richland Section Board Meeting  
Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at TCIC 223 WSU Tri City Campus

Present: Jann Frye, Jo Marie Johnson, Sandy Fiskum, Tanya Knickerbocker, Cary Seidel,  
Richard Hermens, Frannie Smith, Karen Grant, Cheryl Antonio  
On phone: Janet Bryant,

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Participants: 5

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Call to order at 6:05 pm

1. Review May Minutes (No board meeting in June): Minutes were accepted with changes suggested by Sandy Fiskum.
2. Actions since our last meeting:
  - a. Nomination- Karen Grant has been named ACS Fellow this year. It will be announced officially on July 16 by ACS.
  - b. Norm-Karen took her students to the meeting. This was successful. One of her students presented a poster. About 400 people attended this meeting. Janet presented a place holder bid for Richland to host the 2019 NORM. We need to put in a formal bid. NORM for 2015 will be in Pocatello ID. The following will be in June in Alaska. The 2017 meeting will be in Salt Lake City. The 2018 meeting will be in Corvallis OR. The section membership at the end of this year is the count used to apportion councilors on the board. Janet will be president elect and will be president when we host NORM in 2019. Two items of business, Janet asked the board to vote on bidding for NORM in 2019. The board voted and approved this action. Janet will head the committee to prepare the bid. Our former regional high school teacher of the year was awarded national teacher of the year. Janet proposed we invite Jeff to Geezerfest, and award him with a \$50 membership.
  - c. Summer Party- Thanks to Dave! Reimbursements needed: \$50- Jo Marie for gift cards; \$88- Jann for gratuity; \$69-needed from AIChE .- Very successful party.
  - d. Leadership Conference Invoice #15938917- \$400- Jo Marie- Dallas 2013. Paid?- Jo Marie will verify if Satish sent the check. If not she will send a check this week.
  - e. Newsletter issued
  - f. Leadership Development course update-The ACS national organizer has not found a summer speaker, but is trying to find one for fall in September or October.



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### 3. Upcoming:

- a. National Meeting- San Francisco- August 10-14, finalist for 4 ChemLuminary Awards- poster will be presented. Anna Cavinato will be preparing the poster on the ChemLuminary award finalists for this meeting. Tanya is interested in trying to apply for one of these for YVCC chemistry club activities. We advised her to look at the categories and send her student chapter report to Jo Marie.
- b. National award nominations are open now.
- c. National Chemistry Week- October 19-25, 2014. Possibly the idea brought to us by Cheryl Antonio listed below could be done as part of National Chemistry Week.
- d. Geezerfest, November 14, 2014- The board liked this date. We discussed whether or not we should have it at WSU, or try to have it somewhere else. We may also want to have an event to honor Janet. Frannie will talk to Janet about when she would be available for this. We suggested having the event at Richland Community Center Ahbi will check to see if this is available. Ahbi also suggested Kiona Winery. The owner of it is a chemist that works at Hanford. Karen suggested Hedges winery, whose owner is also a chemist.
- e. Science Club for 2015- Cheryl Antonio spoke to us about forming a science club in earlier grades. If kids are exposed to science early, they are not intimidated by it when they get to high school. They do this by doing simple demonstrations of basic laws like the ideal gas law using shaving cream and a box, or Newton's third law with a simple rocket. They would like to make chemistry fun for them too. She came up with an experiment for the children to identify mystery kitchen powders. This is a four session event, so they need volunteers to help. Last year Sandy, Dave and Ahbi helped. They did these demonstrations at Lewis and Clark for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders afterschool. The day of the week that works best is Friday, because it is an early release day. The meeting is 2:15 to 3:30 pm for 12 kids starting in October to May. They do only one experiment each day. Some schools do not have a science club, because there is no budget to pay a teacher to be involved. She also told us the Library is running a STEM program in the children's library too. Cheryl's contact information is on Pop phone.
- f. Science Celebration at Richland Library- The library is hosting a science day on July 23 at 1:30 to 3pm. We could have a table. We could do something with the chemistry of candy and hand out ACS kid's magazine. Is there money with the budget to pay for the flyers? Karen suggested we talk to Chukar Cherries about if they would supply flyers about the chemistry of making candy. Frannie would like to do this.
- g. New Symposium Idea- Spring 2015- Gary Troyer, Partner with ANS and HPS-2 to 3 day event about Low level radiation exposure. Jo Marie will invite Gary to our next meeting to discuss this.
- h. IPG for post doc career fair- Spring 2015, Dave turned in the application for this grant.
- i. YVCC Update- The chemistry club is doing demonstrations at Madison House a facility for kid's activities. They are also doing several hop and brewery related



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research projects over the summer. The students will be making posters on their research at the end of the summer.

- j. Science Café in Yakima- Frannie suggested a brewery science café in Yakima and involve the YVCC students. Tanya will inquire if we could have this at Haas's research tap room on what date and time would work. We said to see if 20 people would be OK.
- k. Elections- We need to contact Matt Monroe to go ahead and set up electronic voting. We need to recruit people to run. The slate needs be in the fall newsletter. We need someone to run for Chair elect, Treasurer (Sandy Fiskum), Secretary, (Jann Frye), and perhaps alternate councilor.