



American Chemical Society

Richland Section Board Meeting
Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at TCIC 223 WSU Tri City Campus

Present: Jo Marie Johnson, Sandy Fiskum, Abhi Karkamkar, Leizel Labios, Deb Anderson, Stan Conrad, Frannie Smith, Cary Seidel, Jann Frye, Richard Hermens, Tanya Knickerbocker
On phone: Alice Xu, Janet Bryant

Meeting ID/Password: 22754

Phone Number: 509-335-4700, any WSU phone: 54700, Tri-Cities off campus - call 372-7648

1. Call to order at 6:05pm_____.
2. Acceptance of minutes- Minutes were accepted with corrections supplied by Sandy and Richard.

Upcoming:

3. Post-doc event/webinar-10/7/14, program in a box-Frannie reported that ACS supplies a webinar called Program in a Box. This seemed like a good program for post docs, interns and students. They had 26 attendees; about half were PNNL post docs. Interns were also in attendance and ACS members. This was held in partnership with the Post doc council. People really liked the Q &A after in particular. Three people were interested in joining ACS.
4. Elections (Sandy Fiskum-Treasurer, Jann Frye-Secretary, Ram Devanathan-Chair elect) - Alice has all of the biographies for the newsletter. Matt Monroe sent out a trial ballot to five members. The site worked great. . Bylaws require election ballot distribution by Nov. 1. Pam Archer said she would send out the 25 or so paper ballots to the members without email. Voting would close November 14.
5. Newsletter-need everything by 10/13/14- Alice still needs an article from Anna on Project Seed. She would also like an article from Frannie on the post doc webinar. Alice also needs information on National Chemistry week from Anna and Karen. We decided she should put the Chemistry Merit badge on the calendar. She also needs the photo of the new professor at YVCC. Tanya will send a bio for him, but may not have a photo. This could wait for the next letter. Alice plans to put election bios on the first page of the newsletter. The newsletter needs to be sent out by Oct. 21
6. National Chemistry week-October 19-25, 2014.- Karen has a poster contest to the theme the Sweet side of chemistry. The prizes are 1. a check for \$25, 2. organic chemistry book, 3. a stuffed laboratory frog. Anna will be holding Girls in Science, on 10/25/14, and a Saturday science event. Anna ordered some supplies for her events and for Steve Krogrud's Chemistry merit badge.



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7. Chemistry Merit Badge-11/1 and 11/8

8. Saturday Science-11/8/14

9. Geezer-fest-12/5/14 at WSU Atrium- We will use Country Gentleman to cater. We requested 20 easels. We requested about 50 chairs. Janet submitted a request from the NOR board two certificates of excellence. She wants to present one for them to Robin Terjenson, outgoing treasurer of NOR board. Tanya was very interested in presenting a talk at Geezerfest. We suggested she bring hops and other items related to beer, but not beer. The students will bring their research posters.

10. National research awards nominations are due, so Janet will need a signed letter from Jo Marie for this effort. This is due Nov. 1.

11. YVCC- Had their research symposium at the end of the summer. Industry partners were present as well as faculty and students and their families. They were able to hire a fifth full time faculty member for the chemistry department. They hired Erik Reiersen. They were also able to hire a lab tech. They also started a new on line chemistry 101 class. She has 75 students in general chemistry this quarter.

12. Leizel reported the post doc council is spread too thin to help with the career fair. She needs some help in putting this on. Date is projected to be next spring or early summer. Tanya said spring is better for students, like late May. Frannie suggested using CBC since PNNL did not want it held on their campus. Frannie suggested that she partner with IEEE, AIChE, or American Nuclear Society. Perhaps April would be better since schools that are on semester are out in May.

13. No speaker has been found available for our Leadership grant course. ACS wants us to give them three dates in 2015 to try again.



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