



# American Chemical Society

Richland Section Board Meeting  
Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at CIC 223 WSU Tri City Campus

Present: Jann Frye, Ram Devanathan, Brandy Gartman, Steve Krogsrud, Vanda Glezakou  
On Skype: Anna Cavinato, Frannie Smith, Janet Bryant, Alice Xu, Dave Heldebrant  
On Phone: Abhi Karkamkar

Call to order at \_\_6:09pm\_\_

1. Moment of silence in honor of Jack Ryan past chair of the Richland section who passed away in the last month.
2. Review March Minutes-Steve said he had asked that the board approve \$400 for the NPR advertisement. The actual cost was \$420. This will be approved at this meeting. The minutes as corrected and sent to the board were approved.
3. Treasurer's Report- Sandy Fiskum- Sandy was unable to join us at this meeting, but provided the Treasurer's report. Total spent this past month was \$3159.41 which included awards to MCSF winners, student travel to ACS Meeting and NORM, Science Café and newsletter expenses. We received an allotment of \$8997.98 from national ACS. Treasurer's report is attached. There was an error in the previous treasurer's report, which is corrected in this report. The section finances are in good shape.
4. Budget Discussion, Cary Seidel's request-Sandy Fiskum- We had allotted \$250 for the Chemistry Olympiad. This year because Cary has to buy more supplies the cost will be \$350. Janet moved that this be approved, and Steve seconded. The board approved.
5. Update on Bill Carroll's visit including talk titles and venues-Janet reported all is on track for the visit from Bill Carroll. He is very excited to visit our section. He will travel to the Pullman section next week, and coming to Richland on April 20. Janet has beta tested all of the arrangements, and is almost ready to send out the electronic notices on the career workshops that Bill will present. The first workshop on Resume writing will be from April 21 from 11 to 1 at the EMSL auditorium, and is open to the public. It will also be Live Skyped and recorded, which can be presented as a link on our section web page. The second work shop is on STEM professionals working in the industry at EMSL on April 21 from 4 to 6 pm. The event at the HAPO stage on Friday will not work because it will be too light outside to view the presentation. So it will be from 4 to 6 pm at the EMSL auditorium, which is open to the public. The cost at EMSL will be significantly less. The City of Richland would have charged us about \$900 for the HAPO stage. The presentation will be a Skype meeting and recorded to be posted on the web site. Steve will see if he can change the advertisement we purchased on NPR. Janet wondered if we were still planning to take Bill out to dinner Friday evening, and Alison Campbell is available to attend, and wondered if the section would be paying. Janet requested that whoever is working on this to call her



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tomorrow to plan this part of the event. Anna wondered if the students who will be accompanying her to should plan on attending the dinner. Ram said the section would pay for Janet, Bill, and Alison, but everyone else will pay their own way. Locations of Dupus Boomer's Downtown or Fat Olives were suggested. Janet will work with Steve on getting the text of the City reader board corrected for the Friday event.

6. Report from Science Café-(April 4)-Vanda Glezakou- The event on Chemistry of Stamps went very well. It was an impressive talk, presented by Dan Rabinovich had about 160 slides. Vanda's daughter was inspired by Dan's talk to try to get a stamp printed of Rosalind Franklyn the co-discoverer of DNA who has received little credit.
7. Project SEED Award- Anna Cavinato-Anna has received a grant to have a high school student to work with her for 8 weeks this summer. She also heard from Tanya Knickerbocker to apply at this late date since there is no project seed in Washington. ACS will pay for all of the additional project SEED expenses since this is an expansion of the program to a new state.
8. Plans for Chemist Celebrate Earth Day-Anna Cavinato and Frannie Smith-Anna has quite a few activities arranged in La Grande, including a table at a family event They will make ice cream with liquid nitrogen, and give out brochures. Other events are planned. Frannie plans to hand out ACS brochures at the family event at PNNL, there could be 800 kids in attendance. She is working on an ACS table cloth for this event and future events. She needs help with this event at PNNL. (April 28) Ram and Vanda plan to be there.
9. Update on Young Women's Chemist retreat- July 2016- Janet- The Pacific Northwest young women's retreat. Ram pointed out we have a small grant to send a young women chemist to this retreat. The Puget Sound section started this event, and last year we sponsored Janet to attend this retreat. Janet and her colleague Judy will be presenting a talk. It will be in Rockaway Beach, OR. Janet will also be a panelist. The retreat is dedicated to retention and advancement of STEM women. They hope to have 100 women attend. The section needs to come up with a way for women to apply for the grant to attend.
10. Report on Nuclear science Merit badge- Sandy Fiskum-This will be on April 9 and April 16. Nearly 30 scouts have signed up.
11. Latest News about NORM 2017 and 2019- Janet Bryant-Janet was in a discussion on NORM 2016 in Anchorage Alaska. The section there is doing a great job, and lots of local members from Richland are planning to attend. The computational chemistry session has speakers from PNNL, Sam Bryan is chairing a track, as is Janet. Also, several social events



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are planned, and four regional awards may be given out, and nominations for these are still open. Janet has also been dealing with NORM 2017. We had to rescind the offer to Utah to host NORM 2017 due to a lack of timely response. The section at Corvallis OR agreed to host 2017 instead of 2018. We need to help them with the program as much as possible. The NORM 2019 is planned to be hosted by the Richland section, our local section committee has met. We will be receiving bids from local venues in the next couple of weeks. The 2018 NORM is up in the air. Janet is trying to convince Hawaii to host 2018. They have never done one and are required by By-laws to do so.

- 12. Joint Meetings with other sections and ANS-Ram Devanathan- There is a meeting on June 11, a friendly gathering of chemists from east and west Washington sections and Oregon sections for networking and wine tasting at Maryhill.

### ACS Treasurer's Report

April 13, 2016

#### Activities

Correction to savings: in January 2016, I mistakenly added \$500 contribution to both checking and savings when the donation only went to

Correction is reflected below in the revised Starting Balance for Savings.

#### Starting Balance

Savings	\$18,858.23
Checking	\$12,473.15

#### Receipts

From	Amount	Budget Category	Date	Directed to:
ACS/earlybird emollment rebate for leadership development	\$250.00	4	3/21/2016	Checking
ACS/allotment	\$8,997.98	1	3/23/2016	Checking
Interest	\$3.75	8	3/31/2016	Savings
Total receipts this period	\$9,251.73			

#### Expensa

To (date billed)	Amount	Budget Category	Date Paid	Description; check number
Vikesh Kasthuri	\$50.00	21e	3/9/2016	MCSF awardee
Alice Boyer	\$50.00	21e	3/9/2016	MCSF awardee
EOU/chemistry club	\$2,000.00	14a	3/9/2016	Student travel to ACS Meeting
Luke Damastedt	\$1,000.00	14a	3/9/2016	Student travel to NORM
Debit card	\$8.62	15	3/23/2016	Sympathy card to Jack Ryan family, thank you notes
RamDevanathan	\$18.04	17d	4/11/2016	Science Cafe refreshments
Alice Xu	\$32.75	16a	4/11/2016	Spring newsletter expenses
Total spent this period	\$3,159.41			



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Ending Balance	
Savings	\$18,861.98
Checking	\$18,561.72