



American Chemical Society

Richland Section Board Meeting
Wednesday May 11, 2016 at TCIC 223 WSU Tri City Campus

Present: Jann Frye, Ram Devanathan, Richard Hermens, Sandy Fiskum,
On Skype: Janet Bryant, Dave Heldebrant, Anna Cavinato

Call to order at ___6:01pm___

1. Review April Minutes-Jann Frye- Janet moves that we accept the amended minutes that were sent out, and Sandy seconded. The minutes were adopted.
2. Treasurer's report- Sandy Fiskum- The traveler's expense form was submitted by the deadline and a revised one that included Richard's lodging was submitted after the deadline. Sandy thinks this will go through fine. Janet has assisted in getting Richard's expenses reimbursed, as well as the section's expenses. Problem was caused by changes in ACS committee reimbursement policies. A \$50 check was written to Blue Mountain Council for Nuclear Science merit badge. Payment to Venezia Ristorante for three honored guests, and \$420 for National Public Radio (NPR) advertising.
3. Report on Bill Carroll's visit- Janet Bryant-Our Richland website has been updated with links to videos of Bill Carroll's presentations. Janet will submit a formal report, and we will include this in our end of year report. It was a lovely event and Janet was very moved by it. We now have good long term career information to host on our web site. Dave Heldebrant was very helpful in increasing attendance at the event.
4. Report on CCED- Anna Cavinato- They had a very active two weeks celebrating Earth Day. They started on the Wednesday before. They hosted 20 head start children On Thursday they visited Weiser, ID for 100 children elementary through high school. After that they went to the Indian reservation and had a science demonstration for children there. Then they did science demonstration in La Grande. She is grateful for all the help from student volunteers. They received \$150 gift to the Chemistry club to do these activities from Dale Mammen. The secretary will send him a thank you note on section letter head.
5. Report on Kid's Day (Poetry Contest) at PNNL on April 28 and Holiday Party in December-
Ram Devanathan-
 - a. Poetry Contest- This is open to all kids. The theme is "The Great Indoors- Your Home's Ecosystem". The link to this contest is on our section web page. At PNNL they handed out flyers about chemistry during Bring your kids to work day. They also handed out flyers about the poetry contest. The deadline is May 27 for this contest.



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- b. ANS EWS has invited us to join their annual Holiday Party at Tri-City Country Club on Saturday December 10; \$25/ticket (venue limited to 100 people); music by Vicki and the Velvetones.- Janet thinks that this is a good thing to support. Sandy said they have invited us for years. She went once and was one of two section members to attend. We voted to support this party and coordinate with them on this. Janet suggested that Ram find a project manager to promote this activity.
6. Update on Maryhill meeting and Women's Chemist Retreat- Ram Devanathan-
- a. The Maryhill meeting is coming June 11. Web link for the meeting is: <http://pugetsound.sites.acs.org/Event%20Flyers/2016/Maryhill%20Winery%20and%20Museum%20Tour.pdf>. This is a meeting of various local sections. The sections got a combined grant \$300 to hold this meeting of the sections. The meeting is noon to 2 pm followed by wine tasting, picnic and tour of the museum. Cost is \$10. Reservations are needed. Puget Sound section created a very nice flyer.
 - b. The Pacific Northwest Women in Science Retreat; (<http://wrspacificnorthwest.com/>): \$150 support available from the section for someone to attend.- This is the fourth annual retreat. It is July 8-10 at Camp MacGruder, Rockaway Beach OR. We will sponsor one early career woman scientist. It does not have to be a chemist. Ram has created a short form for applicants who wish to go to the retreat and apply for the grant. He will email the form for comment. There is an opportunity to present a technical poster. We need to circulate this form quickly, because we would like our deadline to be May 27. The event registration closes on June 3. Cost \$120 for graduate students, \$140 for early career professionals. Janet would like us to give credit for chemists, ACS members and also for wanting to present their work when evaluating the forms.
7. Latest news about NORM 17 and 19- Janet Bryant- Janet has spent 12 hours dealing with NORM issues. We have a number of local colleagues attending NORM in Anchorage. This is her first meeting as chair of the region. NORM 17 will be hosted by Corvallis, instead of NORM18 as planned due to failure of original plan to have it in Salt Lake. Richland Section is on track to hold the NORM 19. Janet has bids from three venues to host the event. (PNNL WSU; CBC/Red Lion; Convention Center/ Hotel) And the section has been encouraged by Allison Campbell to hold it in a new PNNL facility being built right now. This building will be available by NORM 18 if this is desired. Allison also is encouraging us to host the NORM 18 meeting instead of NORM 19. If we want to do this we would amend our proposal to the NOR board at the Anchorage meeting.
8. Nuclear Science Merit Badge- The program was a great success. Frannie Smith was very helpful with this. This was held at CBC because WSU did not respond in a timely manner. This meant that the B reactor tour could not be included, but we did tour the Tri-Cities Cancer Center.
9. Picnic- Dave had no update on this. He will check on it.



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10. Career Fair update- Dave Heldebrant-Dave will need a lot of help. He has too much on his plate at work to be the lead on this. He needs a committee of people to make phone calls to companies. All of the ground work has been done, we have the list of companies and emails. Ram suggested that the students help with the calling. Janet suggested we take credit for the two career events that we did as interim progress in our IPG grant.
11. Project Seed- Anna was able to recruit a junior in high school to work with her this summer. She is Hispanic and is very excited to work with Anna in her lab. Anna will need \$900 check made out to EOU in June to support this student. Anna will send Sandy the details.
12. ACS Committees- Members who want to serve on an ACS committee must fill out an online preference form no later than June 4.



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Activities

I submitted the Councilor travel expense form to the ACS on 4/18/16
I submitted the revised Councilor travel expense form to the ACS on 5/4/16

Starting Balance

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

Receipts

From	Amount	Budget Category	Date	Directed to:
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Total receipts this period	\$0.00			

Expenses

To (date billed)	Amount	Budget Category	Date Paid	Description; check number
BSA/Nuclear Science Merit Badge	\$50.00	21i	4/18/2016	General support grant; 1083
Richard Hermens	\$896.75	19	4/18/2016	Councilor travel to spring ACS meeting; 1084
Venezia Ristorante	\$65.02	21g	4/22/2018	Dinners for 3 honored guest (symposium); debit
Richard Hermens	\$963.69	19	5/4/2016	Councilor lodging at spring ACS meeting; 1085
Northwest Public Radio	\$420.00	16b	5/7/2016	On-air advertising for April 2016 lecture; 1086
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Total spent this period	\$2,395.46			

Ending Balance

Savings \$18,861.98
Checking \$16,166.26



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