



American Chemical Society

Richland Section Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at TCIC 221 WSU Tri City Campus

Present: Jann Frye, Ram Devanathan, Sandy Fiskum, Richard Hermens, Dave Heldebrant, Anna Cavinato, Steve Krogsrud, Nelmi Devarie, Karen Grant
On Skype: Janet Bryant, Alice Xu

Call to order at _6:00 pm_____

1. August meeting minutes- Minutes were approved with two corrections.
2. Treasurer's report. Sandy reported on her treasurer's report and about IRS receiving our post card about us filing late. IRS said to do nothing right now, they will check our records. She also let ACS know. Ram expressed his gratitude to Sandy and Anna for conducting the battle with Gesa Credit Union with Janet's help to get the separate account for NORM 2018 set up. Treasurer's report is attached.
3. NORM 2018 update. Dave and Anna- Sandy received the certificate from the Washington Secretary of State approving NORM 2018 as a non-profit corporation. The Red Lion Hanford House will be the location of the formal event. We have blocks of rooms there and at Towne Place Suites by Marriott in Richland. They are still working out what shuttle service will be between the hotels and PNNL. The NORM committee chose a draft logo, and Steve will work on refining the logo with the graphic designers. The theme will be "Powering the Future, Energy, Environment, Education". Excellent progress has been made. Dave said that the committee has been "Janeted", as Janet has been very helpful. We do not have a fund raising chair and still need that position filled.
4. ACS update and report from ACS in Philadelphia. Janet reported that the meeting was very well attended and went very well. President Campbell will have a C&E news article where she will lay out her plans for her year. Janet finished her last meeting on the Committee on Committees. Rumor has it that she is being proposed for the committee on Science. The team from EOU won one of the CHEM Luminary award for Diversity. The section was finalist for four awards. Anna plans to have a press release about the award to go along with the Girls in Science program.
5. Winery tour (Mercer?) Dave- Right now the wineries are too busy with harvest to do a tour. A suggestion was made to do a brewery tour instead. Anna said that with Geezerfest in October, the winery tour would be better in November or spring. Dave will check into this.
6. Geezerfest on Oct 28. Ram (Abhi for catering) - Ahbi asked if we all liked the caterer we used last year. All of us said we liked them. Janet reminded us to invite Allison Campbell. The theme for Geezerfest will be, "**Chemistry Seniors and Innovation**, 'CSI' Richland". Sonja Peterson from the Washington state crime lab will give a talk solving mysteries with



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chemistry. Ram invited 50 and 60 year members. Some have agreed to attend and sent their bios. Also Richard Hermens is a 56 year member. Ram read a letter from Luke Damsted thanking the section for the funds to attend NORM in Alaska. He was very grateful for the opportunity and the financial support.

7. Elections. Abhi said we need one more candidate for alternate councilor. Dave said he would run for this. He said Dev Chatterjee will run for Chair too. The slate must be identified by Oct. 15. The candidates must be introduced to the membership on the web site and if possible in the newsletter by November 1. We should send out an email to the membership that nominations are open until October 15.
8. Holiday Party- American Nuclear Society will be holding a party on Dec. 10. We have the opportunity to participate. Either the section could subsidize this for \$250 or each ACS member will pay \$35 instead of \$25. There will be salsa dancing instruction, and an Einstein theme.
9. Budget and Plans for 2017. Sandy will draft a budget for discussion at the next board meeting. Vanda will be back for that meeting.
10. Virtual Event Participation Grant. Anna and Ram discussed we could apply for a grant to buy audio visual equipment so members across the section could participate in events remotely. Janet said these might be very useful to involve the Yakima and Walla Walla Anna said really the section here in Richland does not have equipment to broadcast a speaker unless we use PNNL or WSU equipment. The due date to apply is October 15. Ram and Frannie will put in a grant application.
11. Chemistry Merit Badge- Anna will email Steve about items he might want for the merit badge. She plans to order some things for chemistry week. The suggestion was made to buy trinkets for Geezerfest. Steve said most of the people who helped in the past will help again. Frannie agreed to help, and maybe Karen will help. Steve still needs two more helpers. It will be November 5 and 12, Steve will send the link for inclusion in the minutes. Steve proposed that Richland section sponsor the chemistry merit badge, it was seconded and passed.
12. Newsletter-. Alice reported that the publication date needs to be by October 20, so it can be mailed before Geezerfest. If we want Kacie to help prepare a nicer newsletter we need to get all the articles submitted by the end of Sept. that is by Sept 30th. This will be a larger newsletter. If we go with Kacie, we should have the information by Oct. 1. So Ahbi needs to send email requesting nominations right away.
13. Roundtable- Anna announce we will do Saturday Science Nov. 12 in Enterprise, and Girls in Science on Oct. 22 at EOU.



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ACS Richland Section Treasurer's Report

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Activities

I received receipts from Janet for Chemist of the Year celebration.
I received an IRS notification that they received the e post card filing late--no action on my part at this time. They will review the account.
I notified ACS National on 9/8/16 about the IRS notice.
I submitted Richard Hermens' councilor travel expenses to the ACS on September 6.

Starting Balance

Savings \$18,865.73
Checking \$15,193.66

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
Secretary of State (8/11/16)	\$50.00	none	8/11/2016	Cost for registering NORM 2016 with Sec. of State;
Richard Hermens (9/2/16)	\$2,082.10	19	9/5/2016	debit Reimbursement for ACS National meeting/councilor fees: #1094
Janet Bryant (9/7/16)	\$429.00	17a	9/9/2016	Meals for Bill Carroll's speaking visit; 1095
Total spent this period	\$2,561.10			

Ending Balance

Savings \$18,865.73
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