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SWRM 2020 Executive Committee

Agenda Book

October 17, 2020

Zoom Conference



**SWRM Executive Board Meeting
77th SWRM Meeting
Saturday, October 17, 2020
10am-12:15pm
Zoom Meeting Call**

Agenda

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10:30am	Reports from SWRM Meetings 2019 (Nov 6-9), El Paso, Final Report (joint with Rocky Mountain Regional Meeting) 2020 (Oct 14-17), New Orleans, Final Report SERMACS/SWRM Joint Meeting 2021 (Nov 10-13), Austin, Update Report 2022 Baton Rouge, Update Report (vote preliminary budget) (Action Required) 2023 Oklahoma, Update Report 2024 Heart O'Texas, Update Report 2025 Joint SERMACS (host)/SWRM	Saupe Bopp/Estes Kneeland Varnado/ Franklin Frech Kane	16 21 29 31 40 oral
11:30am	Other Old Business SWRM Website Webmaster/marm Archival of past minutes, financials and meeting reports		
11:40am	New Business Election of Vice Chair (Action Required) Election of Secretary-Treasurer in 2021		
	Comments from other Regional Board Chairs Southeast (SERMACS) Rocky Mountain (RMRM)	Bannochie Mosher	
Noon	ACS Staff Report	Savage/ Gaddis-Parker	

	Supplemental Bylaws Past and Future Meeting Locations Rotation Schedule Past Award Recipients		41 47 49 50
12:15pm	Adjourn		

Next SWRM Executive Board Meeting: November 13, 2021 at 8:00am – 11:30am

Written reports for the agenda book due November 1, 2021

Elected SWRM Board Officers

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Baton Rouge	Panhandle Plains
Brazosport	Permian Basin
Central Arkansas	Rio Grande Valley
Central Texas	Sabine-Neches
Dallas-Fort Worth	San Antonio
East Texas	South Plains
Greater Houston	South Texas
Heart O' Texas	Southwest Louisiana
Louisiana	Texas A&M
Northern Oklahoma	Tulsa
Northwest Louisiana	University of Arkansas
Oklahoma	Wichita Falls-Duncan
Ouachita Valley	

LEGAL GUIDANCE FOR PLANNERS OF ACS-SUPPORTED EVENTS

THE IMPACT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

With the ACS's official termination of its 2020 Spring National Meeting & Exposition in Philadelphia, ACS has accumulated some real-time experience in dealing with the resolution and/or settlement of contract matters. This Guidance is meant to assist Divisions, Local Sections and others planning ACS-supported events in dealing with such matters.

GENERALLY

1. Collect Needed Materials & Identify Relevant Clauses

- Retrieve, read, and acquaint yourself with contracts with venues, hotels, restaurants, and other support vendors. Identify the signatories to those agreements and the contact person to whom notice must be sent. These may not necessarily be the one in the same person.

- Find and understand the following provisions:

1. Cancellation or Termination or Force Majeure, if separate
2. Notice - note the contact information of the person identified
3. Liquidated Damages - or language suggesting amounts due when cancellation or termination is sought without proper excuse or the application of Force Majeure
4. Dispute Resolution or Venue, Jurisdiction, and Applicable Law

2. Develop a Legal Strategy

- Develop a strategy for resolving or settling the matter that considers the relationship of the parties, the prospects for future transactions, past experience with the other party, and projected budget for settling alleged claims. Here are some strategies:

1. Cancellation or Termination of the meeting
2. Reschedule the meeting to a future date
3. Hold the meeting & suffer attrition
4. Declare Force Majeure – cite a condition beyond the reasonable control of the parties which makes holding the meeting either illegal, impossible, commercially impractical, impractical and/or inadvisable (e.g., COVID-19)

- Identify and use legal counsel to assist you in strategizing and/or resolving relatively large contract obligations that warn of a substantial likelihood of litigation.

3. How ACS Can Help

- ACS's core value of safety has guided our actions in responding to the challenges presented by the Coronavirus. Consider ACS's stance when making event-related decisions.

- ACS's Department of Meetings & Exposition Services ("DMES") is available for Regional Meeting assistance through a DMES Meeting Management Agreement that provides for services such as negotiating for vendor meeting support services on behalf of the event planner and/or collecting revenues from registrations and exhibitors.

- ACS can advise ACS-supported event planners on issues or concerns that may result in undue financial loss, erosion in the quality or prestige of the meeting, and/or present a substantial departure from the core programming or planning for the event.

- ACS is unable to: a) decide for event planners on whether a meeting should be held, cancelled, terminated, delayed, or rescheduled, b) obligate its resources on behalf of the event planner for any meeting support services, and/or c) provide legal advice as to any one or more decisions described above.

PARTICULAR GUIDANCE

1. **Notice Provisions:** In every contract, determine the circumstances under which Notice to the other party is required to invoke cancellation or termination provisions of the Agreement. This is very important to the potential for liquidated damages or cancellation fees. Be sure to document when Notices must be mailed and use a contract carrier and email with confirmation of receipt as the means to deliver the Notice.
2. **Hotels:** Provide Notice as soon as possible. Review the contract for provisions that lessen or eliminate entirely the responsibility of the Division or Local Section under extraordinary circumstances, i.e., acts of Force Majeure – Act of God, War or language suggesting that a condition has arisen that is beyond the control of either party and renders holding the meeting illegal, inadvisable, or impractical. Contracts will vary considerably, but the above language is an example. If your contract contains language like the above, you may have an opportunity to avoid liability. Seek legal counsel immediately.
3. **Vendors:** Provide Notice as soon as possible. Generally, vendors are eager to discuss resolution, especially when a deposit is involved. Considering the General Guidance No. 2, decide how you would like to best resolve their account. In many cases, vendors are typically eager to roll over deposits towards future services so as to maintain their cash flow.
4. **Exhibitors/Sponsors:** Provide Notice as soon as possible. Generally, you have more control over cancelling and/or terminating the meeting with this group of contract parties. Decide upon whether you'd like to offer options for resolving the cancellation or termination via a roll-over to the next meeting or partial/full refund of their deposits.
5. **Restaurants:** Provide Notice as soon as possible. Restaurants have been cooperating generally in the return of deposits, although the contract might require otherwise.

SWRM Executive Board Meeting
75th SWRM Meeting
Saturday, November 16, 2019
Rio Grande C, El Paso Convention Center, El Paso TX

Minutes

Present: Ruth Hathaway (East Texas and Chair); Sara Hubbard (Central Arkansas and Vice Chair); Bryan Franklin (Baton Rouge); Margaret Connor (Central Texas); Diane Kneeland (Central Texas); Mary Anderson (Dallas-Ft. Worth); Lisa Houston (Greater Houston); Bob Kane (Heart O' Texas); Alvin Bopp (Louisiana); Jason Wickham (Oklahoma); Jeff Saupe (Rio Grande Valley); Dino Villagran (Rio Grande Valley); Chris Bannochie (SERMACS board); Dean Roddick (Rocky Mountain Region board); Donivan Porterfield (Rocky Mountain Region board); and Kimberly Savage (ACS National Staff Liaison).

The meeting was called to order at 7:30am by Chair Ruth Hathaway. All in attendance introduced themselves.

Chair's Report – p. 3

- Changes in meeting management were announced. Sean has moved, but has offered to serve as Secretary/Treasurer for the remainder of his term. This will be further discussed in New Business.
- The Regional Planning Conference Agenda was shared, January 25-27
- A letter from Kim (ACS Staff) about MOUs was shared. This will be further discussed in New Business.

Secretary's Report – p. 7

2018 minutes will be reviewed at next year's meeting. Highlights from the 2018 meeting were listed on pages 7-8 and discussed.

Treasurer Report – p. 9

- 2018/19 Financials – current balance, \$60,119.58
- 2019 Dues, 2018 & Older Dues for each Local Section listed on p. 12
- Budget – Potential net loss of \$14,500 annually

Bylaw Changes – p. 15

Addition of P3 award – Article 9, Item 1

Motion: To update the Regional Awards section of the bylaws to include the P3 award, as voted on at the 2018 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Awards Committee Report

Sara Hubbard reviewed the committee's report on p. 21.

Meeting Reports

2018, Little Rock – oral, handouts of typed report from Marty Perry, Co-General Chair

Sara Hubbard gave the following update of the meeting:

- 600 + attendees

- 429 technical presentations (117 undergraduate presentations)
- Exposition – 18 commercial & 33 academic vendors
- While a good meeting overall, saw loss of \$3953.35.
 - Did not receive loan from the region.
 - Slightly lower attendance than anticipated
 - Food & Beverage costs were higher, partially due to more conversations needed between host section and ACS office. Receipts collected by ACS and general expenses were artificially inflated. Recommend that this practice not be employed again.

Region reimbursed \$1923.35, based upon section membership.

2019, El Paso – oral

Jeff Saupe and Dino Villagran gave the following update of the meeting.

- Close to 570 attendees
- 429 abstracts submitted
- 28 symposia
- Approximately 30 vendors (15 academia, 15 commercial)
- Estimated Income: \$70,000
- Estimated Expenses: \$70,000
- Anticipate a loss of about \$330.
- Each symposium Leader had a budget of \$1000, AV was affordable, it was not necessary to rent computers.
- Very fortunate to have President-Elect H.N. Cheng as plenary speaker.
- Suggested changes:
 - Change poster/vendor layout
 - Offer alcoholic beverages at poster session, bar on other side of vendors to draw in attendees

Hathaway thanked Jeff and Dean Roddick (RMR) for a successful meeting.

2020, SWRM/SERMACS joint meeting, New Orleans – oral, handouts of typed report

Alvin Bopp reported the following:

- Hilton Riverfront Hotel, 10/14-10/17
 - Entire meeting in Hotel, off-site Awards Banquet at local restaurant
 - \$249/night + tax
- Full registration fee will be \$170. All other registration fees will be adjusted accordingly. The goal is 1800 attendees, but budgeting for 1500 after discussing with Executive Board.
- There is a contract for a minimum of \$50,000 for the food and beverage.
- Exhibition planned for 30 vendors and 30 college tables.
- Concern was raised about cost to attendees and the section, but the location and the fact that this is a joint meeting should make this a big draw.
- After adjusting to 1500 attendees, anticipate net profit of \$60,000.

2021, Austin – p. 23

Diane Kneeland presented the preliminary Austin meeting budget and requested suggestions. The following items were discussed by the board:

- Symposium organizers are asked to raise \$500, receive matching funds up to \$500.
- Expo expect 20 graduate schools (\$500 each) and 30 commercial vendors (\$850 each)
- Expect \$40,000 AV expenses
- Poster stands from UT Austin, use UT faculty to organize posters
- Conference center has concession stands/food court, but sales do not count toward F&B costs
- Suggestions:
 - Include tour of grad labs
 - Have a promo or marketing person as a separate job position from website/social media

The budget was approved.

2022, Baton Rouge – p. 25

Bryan Franklin presented the following:

- Three probable locations in consideration, December 1st will begin site visits
- Committee building has begun
- No loan needed from the Region Board
- Good fundraising is expected
- A budget is in the works

2023, Oklahoma City – oral, typed letter from Cheryl Frech, Co-General Chair

Jason Wickham reviewed their current plans. Meeting will be held in October or November. Key positions in place include Co-General Chairs and Program Chair. Further plans will be made in January 2020, including an MMA and RFP.

2024 – bid proposal

Bob Kane presented the bid package (information packet and folder) from Waco to host SWRM 2024. The bid was accepted and SWRM 2024 awarded to Waco.

Old Business

SWRM Website – GoDaddy lost the SWRM.org website. The Regional Board seeks to hire a webmaster/marm with an IT background to manage website archives, recovery, scan, and input data into a new website.

New Business

- Election of Southwest Region Board Chair.
Motion: Nomination and election of Ruth Hathaway as Chair of the Board. Motion passed unanimously.
- Sean Hickey has moved away from the Region. He has two years remaining on his Secretary/Treasurer term, and is willing to continue to serve. Proposal – for easier transition, select a treasurer in training for the next year, vote for Interim Secretary/Treasurer in 2020, then resume normal schedule to vote for 5 year term in 2021. Bryan Franklin will serve as Treasurer in Training for the next year.

The election of Vice Chair (5 year term) and Interim Treasurer (1 year term) will take place in 2020.

- SWRM/SERMACS Joint Meetings. 2025 meeting will not be in Memphis.
Motion: Accept whatever location SERMACS chooses for the 2025 meeting and maintain as a joint meeting. Motion passed with 1 opposed.
- The Meeting Management Agreement (MMA) needs to be signed 3 years out from the meeting. An example is posted on pp. 27-32.
- Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by meeting hosts currently does not comply with bylaws. At the previous meeting, the committee moved and seconded the modification of the bylaws to remove DME services from the MOU, require that the MOU be signed 3 years out from the meeting, and remove redundancies. Motion carries.
- Keith Pannell requests that the Southwest Region donate \$3,000 to the Texas Academy of Science. Concerns – if we donate equal funds to each state’s Academy of Science in the region, would require \$18,000, liability and expectations, tracking use too difficult.
Motion: Reject request and suggest that Keith request donations from local sections within Texas. Motion passed with 1 opposed.
- Rio Section requests to return to the rotation to host a meeting in 2031.
Motion: Allow Rio Grande to return to the rotation, by requesting to switch with another section or replace a section that needs to drop from the rotation. Motion passes.

ACS Staff Report

Kim shared the following comments:

- Regional Meeting Planning Conference, January 23-24
 - Joint with Leadership Conference, Jan 25-26
 - Meeting hosts can send up to 2 participants 2 years prior to hosting the meeting
 - Receive resources and timelines
 - Registration opens Dec 1st
- New registration and payment process for vendors
 - Vendors register directly with ACS
 - Will be used in January for first time

Additional Comments/Questions

- How can we improve continuity between meetings? Can we encourage previous year’s organizers to advise on committees?
- SERMACS is excited to cohost the meeting in 2020 and 2025.
- Local Section Activities reached out to Austin to host a summit for a strategic planning committee for local sections next summer.

The next SWRM Board meeting will be on October 17, 2020 at 8:00am. Breakfast will be available at 7:30am. Written reports for the agenda book will be due September 30, 2020 to Hathaway.

There being no further business to be discussed, the meeting adjourned at 10:06am.

Date	NOTE	Transaction Type	Description	Debits (-)	Credits(+)	Balance
						\$71,030.58
11/7/2019	Meeting	POS	OFFICE DEPOT #2LONGVIEW TX CC...	(\$175.66)		\$70,854.92
11/18/2019	1145	CHECK	Crystal Young, Travel	(\$500.00)		\$70,354.92
11/18/2019	1137	CHECK	Crystal Young, P3 Award	(\$1,000.00)		\$69,354.92
11/18/2019	Meeting	POS	COURTYARD BY MAEL PASO TX CC ...	(\$113.98)		\$69,240.94
11/18/2019	Meeting	POS	DOUBLETREE HOTEEL PASO TX CC ...	(\$128.08)		\$69,112.86
11/19/2019	1147	CHECK	Margaret Conway, Travel	(\$597.40)		\$68,515.46
11/19/2019	1142	CHECK	Rio Grande, Student Travel Award	(\$500.00)		\$68,015.46
11/19/2019	1140	CHECK	Margaret Conway, HS Teaching Award	(\$1,000.00)		\$67,015.46
11/19/2019	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$486.50	\$67,501.96
11/20/2019	Meeting	CREDIT	DOUBLETREE HOTEL EL PASO TX CC ...		\$128.08	\$67,630.04
11/21/2019	Meeting	DEBIT	ONLINE PMT CAPITAL ONE 112119	(\$334.16)		\$67,295.88
11/29/2019	1144	CHECK	Oklahoma, Student Travel Award	(\$500.00)		\$66,795.88
12/3/2019	1138	CHECK	Elijah Rising, P3 Award	(\$1,000.00)		\$65,795.88
12/16/2019	1143	CHECK	Central Texas, Student Travel Award	(\$500.00)		\$65,295.88
1/15/2020	Meeting	DEBIT	ONLINE PMT CAPITAL ONE 011520	(\$299.60)		\$64,996.28
1/16/2020	1146	CHECK	Central Arkansas Section, 2018 Meeting Loss	(\$1,933.35)		\$63,062.93
1/21/2020	1141	CHECK	Carolyn Burnsley, Nalley Award	(\$1,000.00)		\$62,062.93
1/21/2020	1139	CHECK	Michael Wong, SWR Award	(\$2,000.00)		\$60,062.93
1/21/2020	Leadership	POS	Atlanta Elite S678-9355000 GA...	(\$64.65)		\$59,998.28
1/27/2020	Leadership	POS	RENAISSANCE HOTATLANTA GA CC ...	(\$46.00)		\$59,952.28
1/27/2020	Leadership	POS	TAILWIND SHREVEESHREVEPORT LA ...	(\$2.99)		\$59,949.29
1/28/2020		POS	SHREVEPORT REG SHREVEPORT LA ...	(\$19.62)		\$59,929.67
2/11/2020	1148	CHECK	Greater Houston Section, 2 Student Travel Awards	(\$1,000.00)		\$58,929.67

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6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	ACS, Board Meeting Support, Safety Programming		\$9,000.00	\$67,929.67
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Rio Grande Valley, \$5000 Loan Return and El Paso, 10%, 2019 Meeting		\$6,310.01	\$74,239.68
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$284.50	\$74,524.18
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$271.00	\$74,795.18
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$243.50	\$75,038.68
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$238.50	\$75,277.18
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$218.50	\$75,495.68
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$203.00	\$75,698.68
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$115.00	\$75,813.68
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$106.00	\$75,919.68
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$102.50	\$76,022.18
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$71.00	\$76,093.18
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$64.50	\$76,157.68
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$42.50	\$76,200.18
6/1/2020	DEP	CREDIT	Local Section Dues		\$0.50	\$76,200.68
6/3/2020	DEP	DEBIT	RETURN DEPOSIT ITEM FE	(\$9.00)		\$76,191.68
6/3/2020	DEP	DEBIT	RETURN DEPOSITED ITEM	(\$238.50)		\$75,953.18

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INCOME TO BE COLLECTED						
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	Years prior to 2019 Dues to be collected	\$ 966.00
	2019 Dues to be collected	\$ 2,478.50
	2020 Dues to be collected	\$ 2,614.75
	2017, 10%, Lubbock	\$ 4,445.78
	TOTAL	\$ 10,505.03

EXPENSES		
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	Student Travel Award	\$ -
	Awards	\$ 5,000.00
	Meeting Travel	\$ -
	Website Fees	\$ 2,000.00
	Website Maintenance and Development	\$ 200.00
	E-BOARD EXPENSES	\$ -
	TOTAL	\$ 7,200.00

SECTIONS WITH NO PAST DUES OWED; ONLY 2020 Local Section Dues OWED							
Section	Status	2020 Count	2020 Dues	No Past Dues Owed	Total Due	When Paid	How
L403 Baton Rouge	Up to Date	477	\$ 119.25	\$ -	\$ 119.25		
L404 Brazosport	Yes	230	\$ 57.50	\$ -	\$ 57.50		
L419 Louisiana Section	Yes	569	\$ 142.25	\$ -	\$ 142.25		
L446 Central Texas	Yes	789	\$ 197.25	\$ -	\$ 197.25		
L447 San Antonio	Yes	542	\$ 135.50	\$ -	\$ 135.50		
L448 South Texas	Yes	212	\$ 53.00	\$ -	\$ 53.00		
L451 East Texas	Yes	184	\$ 46.00	\$ -	\$ 46.00		
L453 Heart O' Texas	Yes	129	\$ 32.25	\$ -	\$ 32.25		
L541 Central Arkansas	Yes	406	\$ 101.50	\$ -	\$ 101.50		
L544 Northern Oklahoma	Yes	143	\$ 35.75	\$ -	\$ 35.75		
L545 Oklahoma	Yes	487	\$ 121.75	\$ -	\$ 121.75		
L551 South Plains	Yes	138	\$ 34.50		\$ 34.50		
L553 Wichita Falls-Duncan	Yes	85	\$ 21.25	\$ -	\$ 21.25		
L559 Rio Grande Valley	Yes	205	\$ 51.25	\$ -	\$ 51.25		

SECTIONS WITH Back Dues Still Owed							
Section	Delinquent	2020 Count	2020 Due	Past Due	Total Due	When Paid	How
L430 Ouachita Valley	2019 Dues	95	\$ 23.75	\$ 47.50	\$ 71.25		
L433 Sabine-Neches	2019 Dues	79	\$ 19.75	\$ 39.50	\$ 59.25		
L436 Greater Houston	2019 Dues	2450	\$ 612.50	\$ 1,225.00	\$ 1,837.50		
L450 Texas A&M	2019 Dues	482	\$ 120.50	\$ 241.00	\$ 361.50		
L452 Dallas-Fort Worth	2019 Dues	1443	\$ 360.75	\$ 721.50	\$ 1,082.25		
L538 University of Arkansas	2019 Dues	178	\$ 44.50	\$ 89.00	\$ 133.50		
L549 Panhandle Plains	2019 Dues	84	\$ 21.00	\$ 42.00	\$ 63.00		
L550 Permian Basin	2019 Dues	146	\$ 36.50	\$ 73.00	\$ 109.50		
SECTIONS WITH Multiple Years of Back Dues Still Owed							
L437 Southwest Louisiana	2017-2019	145	\$ 72.50	\$ 226.50	\$ 299.00		
L546 Tulsa	2017-2019	203	\$ 101.50	\$ 313.50	\$ 415.00		
L401 Northwest Louisiana	2012-2019	105	\$ 52.50	\$ 426.00	\$ 478.50		

SWRM Budget

Annual Expenses

Awards		
Student Travel Award	\$	5,000.00
Awards	\$	8,000.00
Awardee Travel	\$	3,500.00
Awardee Plaques	\$	2,000.00
Website		
Fees	\$	200.00
Maintenance/Development	\$	500.00
Leadership Conference	\$	1,000.00
Executive Meeting		
Agenda Books	\$	200.00
Breakfast	\$	1,000.00
Travel	\$	2,500.00
Treasurer/Secretary Expenses	\$	100.00
TOTAL	\$	24,000.00

Annual Revenue

Local Section Dues	\$	5,000.00
10% Income per meeting	\$	4,500.00
TOTAL	\$	9,500.00

Potential Net Loss **Annually** **\$ 14,500.00**

2020 SWRM Awards

Stanley C. Israel Regional Award

Information not available

ACS Division of Chemical Education Southwest Region Award for Excellence in High School Teaching

Jo L. King

Plano West Senior High
Dallas Fort Worth Local Section

E. Ann Nalley Regional Award for Volunteer Service to the ACS Southwest Region

Amber S. Hinkle

Vice President and Plant Manager
Covestro Inc.
Greater Houston Local Section

Southwest Regional ACS Award

Julia Chan

Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry
University of Texas at Dallas
Dallas Fort Worth Local Section

Partners for Progress and Prosperity Award

Darren L. Williams

Professor of Chemistry
Sam Houston State University
Leader of the Cleaning Group
Greater Houston Local Section

Barbara Kanegsber

President
BFK Solutions, LLC, N/A

ACS SWRM Student Travel Award – N/A

Committee Chair: *Dr. Stassi DiMaggio, Xavier University of Louisiana*

This year's committee again included the SWRM Awards Chairs for the next two SRWM meetings. This worked really well, and appears to be helping with continuity of knowledge.

Summary of the 2019 Joint Southwest Regional and Rocky Mountain Regional Meeting

2019 SWRM-RMRM

Location

The 2019 SWRM-RMRM was held in El Paso, TX.

Venue:

El Paso Convention Center

Meeting Dates:

November 13-16, 2019

Attendee Count: 609

Organizing Committee Members:

General Co-Chairs: Dr. Geoffrey Saupe (SW) and Dr. Dean Roddick (RM)

Program Co-Chairs: Dr. Dino Villagran and Dr. Brian Leonard

Exhibits Chair: Dr. Erik Yukl

Awards Chair: Dr. William Maio

Social Media and Program App Chair: Alexandra Golliher

Webmaster: Noah Smartt

A financial summary is contained in a separate document. In general, the meeting ended with a small surplus.

A detailed record of the symposia and the talks that occurred during the meeting can be viewed in the final program book. (see attached)

The 2019 SWRM-RMRM was a success, scientifically, socially, and financially. All of the planned symposia were successful, with a minimum of speaker cancellations. The general attendance of the meeting was considered good. Attendance at the talks was very good. Everyone of the symposia leaders was pleased with amenities of the El Paso Convention center, which had a great location in the downtown area of El Paso. The audio visual systems were generally in excellent condition and the venue gave us a reasonable price for this service.

Banquet and luncheons and other events that included food were generally successful. We could have promoted the undergraduate and teacher luncheons better, as we had to reduce waste by giving away food to anyone we could find.

There were occasional frustrations, which I can say are common to any meeting. In our case, we had some issues with the venue management during the planning stages. Apparently, they had several waves of loss of personnel, and that made communication sketchy at times, as we didn't know who was in charge while they rearranged their ranks and while they were short handed. This caused delays, but eventually, with perseverance, it all turned out ok.

The poster sessions, combined in the same room with the exhibits, were a big success. The vastness of the great hall in which they were held, with its bare concrete floor, made it less intimate. We had our free open bar in that room one evening, and the mood was not conducive to a festive mixer atmosphere. We also over-estimated the appetite for alcohol in our young attendees. We were able to gain access to poster board frames at discounted rates through a connection of Dr. Yukl in Las Cruces, NM.

All of the Organizing Committee is especially grateful to the help and dedication of the ACS Regional Meeting staff, who helped in countless ways to make this a successful meeting. We want to especially thank Kimberly Savage for her endless support. We also want to thank Dr. Ruth Hathaway and Dr. Donivan Porterfield for their valuable experience, guidance, and mentoring.

A suggestion was made during the SWRM-RMRM meeting that may help capture important information for future regional meetings. It is imperative that a template form of some kind be made (mostly just categories), to be used by the organizing committee members *during* the meeting. Ideas, problems, solutions, suggestions, lesson learned, etc. could and should be recorded, while these idea are still relevant (to the conceiver). Valuable insights about how to optimize meetings are easily lost and fade as time passes, especially after many months. Organizers are exhausted after a meeting and quickly switch to other problems in their lives, only months later are they revisited, if at all.

Thank you for the privilege.

Sincerely,
Geoffrey Saupe

Summary

	Amounts
Income	\$ 78,359.00
Expenses	\$ 60,258.89
Loan to be returned to SWRM	\$ 5,000.00
Total Balances	\$ 13,100.11

proceeds due to the Southwest Region Board	10%	\$ 1,310.01
proceeds due to the Rocky Mountain Region Board	10%	\$ 1,310.01
proceeds due to the Wyoming Local Section	16%	\$ 2,096.02
proceeds due to the Rio Grande Valley Local Section	64%	\$ 8,384.07
	100%	\$ 13,100.11

2019 SWRM/RMRM Meeting

Income

Date of proces	Amount	Note
7/1/2019	\$ 500.00	Check #, 5302, issued on April 8, 2019, ACS Colloid and Surface Chemistry, fund raised by Dr. Sreenivasan
7/1/2019	\$ 5,000.00	Loan, 2019 Meeting, Check # 1038, issued on 11/10/18, Southwest Regional Meeting (Check Provided by Ruth/Sean)
7/1/2019	\$ 150.00	Karen Boulware, check # 1318, issued on 3/24/19, funds raised by Dr. Sreenivasan
7/1/2019	\$ 1,000.00	Check # 1046, issued on 4/20/2019, President Elect Sponsorship (Sean Hickey)
9/25/2019	\$ 2,000.00	\$2,000 Chair Elect Sponsorship, CH 0000009155 CCD ID: 3530196572
10/9/2019	\$ 50.00	American Chemica PRIMARY CH 0000009155 CCD ID: 3530196572
10/30/2019	\$ 40,000.00	American Chemica PRIMARY CH 0000009155 CCD ID: 3530196572
11/6/2019	\$ 1,000.00	Check # 2362, ACS PMSE Division, 9/4/19, funds raised by Dr. K Michael
11/6/2019	\$ 500.00	PLTL exhibitor, check # 1196 and 1029 (Lead for America Corp, PLTLIS Sales), issued on 10/18/19, by J. Becvar
11/18/2020	\$ 250.00	Check # 2193, Division of Industrial and Eng. Chemist, issued on 11/6/2019, Fund raised by Dr. K Michael
	\$ 345.00	Kim give back onsite cash and \$45 registration
		American Chemica PRIMARY CH 0000009155 CCD ID: 3530196572, Final
12/26/2019	\$ 26,212.00	Payment Due to SWRM/RMRM from Kim
1/28/2020	\$ 500.00	David Deutsch, Div. of Small Chemical Business (via Erik Yukl)
2/11/2020	\$ 852.00	ACS Govern. Reception SWRM reimbursement
Total income	\$ 78,359.00	

Expenses

<u>Date of process</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Note</u>	<u>Check #</u>
			1201 (\$5K, 9-8-2017); one more
			1183 (\$5K, 2-22-19); payment to be
			1196 (\$14K, 11-12-19) made
	\$ 46,984.62	Total paid to El Paso Conv. Center, Details see Invoices # 29220	
12-Nov	\$ 250.00	Poster board (pay to AXED), checks given to Eric	1195
14-Nov	\$ 250.00	Paid to Sinuate Media for printing (via Bill Maio)	1198
12-Nov	\$ 300.00	Paid to Wen-Yee for onsite cash	1197
12/12/2019	\$ 400.00	Paid to Jeremy Smith, Symposium Reimbursement, Organometallics	1199
12/12/2019	\$ 300.00	Paid to Jorge Martinez, Symposium Reimbursement, Organometallics	1200
12/12/2019	\$ 300.00	Paid to Juan Valdez, Symposium Reimbursement, Organometallics	1161
12/12/2019	\$ 385.07	Paid to Sreeprasad Sreenivasan, Symposium Reimbursement, Innovative nano	1162
12/12/2019	\$ 618.00	Paid to Sajanlal Panikkanvalappil, Symposium Reimbursement, Innovative nano	1163
12/12/2019	\$ 188.00	Paid to Surya Chava, Symposium Reimbursement, Innovative nano	1164
12/12/2019	\$ 1,000.00	Paid to Yongsheng Chen, Symposium Reimbursement, Sustainable water	1165
12/12/2019	\$ 838.46	Paid to Ning Xu, Symposium Reimbursement, Nuclear and Radiochemistry	1167
12/12/2019	\$ 482.88	Paid to Pratiksha Dongare, Symposium Reimbursement, Light for energy	1168
12/12/2019	\$ 508.00	Paid to Oara Neumann, Symposium Reimbursement, light for energy	1169
12/12/2019	\$ 1,000.00	Paid to Edward Clennan, Symposium Reimbursement, New Horizons in Physical Organic Chemistry	1170
12/12/2019	\$ 1,000.00	Paid to Katherine Willets, Symposium Reimbursement, Advances in Electrochemistry and Electrochemical Analysis	1171
12/12/2019	\$ 610.80	Paid to Joe Sabol, Symposium Reimbursement, International Chemical Business: Best Practices	1172
12/12/2019	\$ 250.00	Paid to Nicolay Tsarevsky, Symposium Reimbursement, Functional Polymers	1173
12/12/2019	\$ 250.00	Paid to Mihaila Stefan, Symposium Reimbursement, Functional Polymers	1174
12/12/2019	\$ 126.50	Paid to XiuJun Li, Symposium Reimbursement, Bioanalysis	1175
12/20/2019	\$ 595.00	Paid to Hugo Reyes, T-shirt for SWRM	1176
2/11/2020	\$ 302.56	Paid to Melanie Ecker, Symposium Reimbursement, Biomaterials - Synthesis, Function, and Application	1179
To be paid	\$ 1,519.00	Whova app; Will be paid to Jeff Saupe	
To be paid	\$ 1,800.00	Website design; Will be paid to Noah Smartt	
Total	\$ 60,258.89		

Executive Summary

The Louisiana Section will unfortunately not be able to report a successful Joint Regional Meeting in 2020. COVID-19 appeared in the United States in January 2020 and caused a nationwide shut-down of normal operations. The economic impact has been devastating and directly led to both financial crises and health concerns over viral contagion across the spectrum of participating organizations. “Belt tightening” and travel restrictions became common. MAPS opened on June 8 and as of September 14, we had abstracts for 145 presentations - an 87% reduction in abstracts vs 2010, when we last hosted this meeting. The risk to the meeting was recognized early and while some planning continued, spending didn’t. As a result, the meeting netted a small profit based on a \$5K sponsorship provided by the Louisiana Section. A summary, Table 1, follows.

Table 1. Cash Flow Summary

Revenue		Expenses	
Sponsorship (LA Section)	\$ 5,000.00	Website	\$ 189.99
Loan (LA Section)	\$ 5,000.00	Travel	\$ 3,265.44
		Give-Aways	\$ 210.99
		Loan Repay	\$ 5,000.00
Total	\$ 10,000.00		\$ 8,666.42
Meeting Net			\$ 1,333.58
Net (loss) to Section			\$(3,666.42)

Background

The Louisiana Section hosted a very successful joint meeting, chaired by Sean Hickey, at the Hilton Riverside in 2010. This meeting boasted of 1,138 papers, 13 workshops and 1,610 paid attendees. In September 2014, he negotiated and signed a contract for the 2020 meeting. (While the Executive Committee was aware of these negotiations, a formal vote for approval was apparently never taken.) In the spring of 2019, Sean completed his PhD work and, in June, announced he had accepted a job at Wayne State in (Detroit, MI), and would be starting in August. At that point little had been done in organizing the meeting. Sean agreed to remain in his leadership position but only as co-General Chair. However, after 6 weeks or so, it was obvious this wasn’t working so Sean was replaced by Alvin Bopp as co-General Chair with Tammara Estes. Finding a volunteer to serve as Program Chair proved impossible so Bopp assumed that role and Estes chaired the Expo effort. Momentum was critical.

Over the next 2 months efforts focused on securing volunteers to organize symposia and planning the framework for landing exhibitors for the Expo and graduate programs for the Grad Fair. Despite a late start in developing the program, a good response was realized. By following leads provided by SWRM and SERMACS program chairs, at the end of 2019 we had identified or secured:

- 29 technical symposia, Table 2, filling approximately 46 ½ day sessions (Some symposia titles and discipline areas are blank. They had not been finalized by the organizer at that time.)

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Table 2. Program (as of Dec 2019)

Discipline	Topic/Title	Organizer	Est. # Sessions
Technical Talks			
	Concerns and Chemistry of the Agriculture Street Landfill in New Orleans; Are		
ANAL	Landfills Safe Places for Communities	Howard Mielke	1
ANAL	Forensic Toxicology	O.A. Vanderpuye	1
	Don Kurtz: A Career in Metalloprotein Chemistry	Zachary Tenzetich	
Bio-INOR	Biomass Treatment and Bio-based Materials	Jonathon Caranto	2
CELL		Rafael Quirino	1
		Al French	
CELL	Biomaterials and Bioenergy	Michael Santiago	4
		Ajay Mallia	
CHED	Project SEED	Douglas Masterson	2
	Molecular Education Research Consortium		
COMP	in Undergrad Computational (MERCURY)	George Shields	1
ENFL	Energy & The Environment	Noemie Elgrishi	2
ENVL	Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill - 10 Years Later	Ed Overton	1
Food	Undergraduate Program	Mike Adams	3
Food	Food Allergies	Chris Mattison	1
		Nicolas Tsarevsky	
HIST		Daniel Rabinovich	1
INOR	Advances in Main Group Chemistry	Benjamin Wicker	1
INOR	Pincer Chemistry	Keith Hollis	1
INOR	Inorganic Materials Chemistry	Viktor Poltavets	2
INTER	Neutron Scattering	John Larese	2
Materials	Non-linear Optics	Kaitlyn Crawford	1
Materials	Nanoscale Heating	Alessandro Alabastri	1
MEDI COMP	Structure Based Drug Design	Rachelle Bienstock	2
NUCL	Nuclear & Radiochemistry	Ning Xu	1
ORGN	New Reactions and Methodologies	Prem Chanda	1
ORGN		Franklin Davis	1
		Jimmie Weaver	
ORGN		Alexander Grenning	4
	Nanoparticle Synthesis, Spectroscopy and Applications	Patrick Moyer	1
PHYS	Ionic Liquids	James Davis	1
		Joshua Caldwell	
	Advancing Infrared Spectroscopic Techniques and Vibrational Sensing	Lauren Buchanan	
PHYS		Thomas Folland	2
		Ed Duranty	
PHYS	Chemistry in Small Volumes	Jim Davis	1
	Computational Treatment of Noncovalent Interactions	Kevin Riley	2
PHYS	Functional Polymers: From Synthesis to Applications	Mihaela Stefan	
POLY		Nicolay Tsarevsky	1
		Karla Sue Marriott	1
			46
Soft Skills			
CMA	Minority Affairs	Kishore Bagga	1
SCHB	Chemical Business Best Practice	Joe Sabol	1
	Symposium Honoring John and Sharon	Joe Sabol	
SCHB	Vercolli	Jane Thomas	1
CHED	High School Teacher Program	In Progress	
	Chemical Safety	In Progress	
	Career Navigator Courses	In Progress	4
	ACS Leadership Courses	In Progress	2
	Outreach Activity	Chanel Fortier	
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- An Undergraduate program
- A coordinator for a high school program
- 4 Career Navigator sessions
- 2 Leadership Institute courses
- An Outreach Program/activity

Then SARS-CoV-2, and COVID-19, arrived and everything changed. By March (2020) schools went on-line and the commercial economy shut down. By May it seemed as though cancellation under *force majeure* was imminent. The Hilton, however, was unwilling to release the contract so planning continued but at glacial speeds.

To control the spread of COVID-19, the City of New Orleans enacted guidelines governing gatherings and similar events, including conferences. Impacting us were specific prohibitions on trade shows, exhibits and networking events. These guidelines also mandated all events be “timed and seated.” As such we were not allowed to include an Expo, Grad Fair, receptions and poster sessions – limiting the meeting to oral presentations. Attendance at oral sessions would be restricted by social distancing. The meeting would be nothing like ACS meetings we have come to expect.

Despite these restrictions, the Hilton remained adamant they could do the meeting and in June proposed 3 options:

1. continue with the meeting, waiving any performance and F&B (food and beverage) minimums in the contract. They also offered to revisit room rates.
2. cancel the event and pay the contracted cancellation penalty: \$176, 474
3. rebook the event into mutually agreeable dates and pay a cancellation fee of 50% of the above and apply half of that to a future meeting.

We decided to proceed with the meeting (Option 1) because: 1) the penalties were unaffordable; 2) the 50% option would have left us tied to the Hilton and in a weaker negotiating position at that later date, which could be as long as 10 years away; and, 3) the situation brought on by COVID-19 is “textbook” *force majeure*. There was also uncertainty over who is financially responsible for contract performance. At best, the situation had legal written all over it so having the meeting was the easiest option.

Moving ahead with a meeting, “General Chemistry” sessions were added to the program in areas of:

Analytical	Biochemistry	Education
Inorganic	Materials	Organic

and MAPS opened on June 8 (and closed on August 27). At closing the meeting had abstracts for 176 oral and 115 poster presentations totaling 291 submittals – far below 1,138 papers recorded in 2010. Subsequently, some abstracts were withdrawn ultimately leaving 145 presentations. A 2-day program was developed around those 145 presentations – down from the 4-day meeting originally planned. A decision was then made to give poster presenters an opportunity to give an oral presentation (instead of a poster, which would not have been allowed.) Approximately 15 presenters made that change but with additional oral withdrawals, we still had 145 presentations – approximately 87% below 2010.

On September 10, ACS Staff sent a contract modification to the Hilton informing them of the reduced meeting scope and formalizing the performance waivers. On September 11, the Hilton informed ACS

that the “Hilton brand made a decision on yesterday to recognize force majeure for all events that are taking place on or before December 31st, 2020. The New Orleans Local Section may officially terminate the meeting without penalty. In addition, the LOC will also not be required to rebook a future meeting based on the Hilton's recent decision.” The Meeting’s LOC met and voted to cancel the meeting under *force majeure* and the Section’s Executive Committee met on Sunday, September 13, and formally ratified cancellation. That decision was communicated to ACS on September 14.

Ancillary Issues

The magnitude of COVID-19’s impact became evident in March. Whole regions (cities and states, including New Orleans) were closed in response to “stay at home” orders by mayors and governors. As a result, preparations for many meeting events were slowed not knowing the ultimate outcome. This meeting was no exception.

- Registration never opened so attendance statistics do not exist.
- Expo vendors, Grad Fair schools and sponsors did not materialize because of COVID-limitation or various uncertainties unique to each organization.
- We also received withdrawals because of travel restrictions due primarily to COVID-19 health precautions or budgetary limitations. Restrictions on student travel was also commonly cited.
- An A/V company, PSAV who has an on-site presence at the Hilton, was “on-alert” but never under contract.
- The Awards Banquet, scheduled for Friday, October 16, was cancelled. The deposit, \$1,350, will be held by the restaurant for a Section event to be scheduled in 2021. This item no longer appears in the Meeting financial statement. (Hopefully they won’t go out of business.)
- A meeting app was declined. In its place, a paper program with only program grid and session information was planned. Abstracts were to be loaded to the Meeting website for attendees. None of this will now happen.

Personnel

The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) was a condensed set of four individuals:

Alvin Bopp	co-General Chair & Program Chair
Tammara Estes	co-General Chair & EXPO Chair
Teresa Birdwhistell	Finance Chair
Michael Santiago	Publicity (including serving as webmaster)

In addition, the following individuals were contributed to planning the Meeting.

Michael Adams	Undergraduate Program Chair
Stassi DiMaggio	Awards Chair
Jesse Bernstein	High School Program Coordinator
Starleetah Gaddis-Parker	ACS Regional Meeting Planner
Kimberly Savage	ACS Regional Meeting Planner

Publicity

The logo created for the 2010 meeting was updated for 2020 and used on the website and promotional materials. The logo is shown below.



A website, SWRM2020.org, was created and used for meeting communications.

Finances

A budget was prepared and presented to the Southwest and Southeast Region chairs at SWRM in November with revenues based on:

- 1500 attendees
- 30 Expo vendors
- 30 Grad Fair participants
- \$90K in sponsorships

The full (original) budget is shown in Table 3. Estimated revenues compared well with 2010. However, registration did not open and neither sponsorships nor revenues from an Expo and Grad Fair ever materialized. Revenues were limited to a \$5K sponsorship and a \$5K loan, both from the Louisiana Local Section, accounted for all revenues. Expenses were limited to travel (to SERMACS, SWRM and the Leadership Institute), website fees and promotional items. A revised budget (reflecting the smaller meeting) and cash flow report of actual expenses was shown in Table 4. When all the chaff is stripped away, Table 1 (Executive Summary) remains. The meeting will have made \$1,334 and the Section loses \$3,666. This loss assumes neither Region asks for payment.

The deposit for the Awards Banquet will be covered by the Section and used for a Section event when COVID-19 has passed – sometime in 2021. Hopefully they will not have gone out of business by then.

Lessons Learned

1. We did not have a meeting theme. In retrospect, a theme can give the program a certain relevance, especially a smaller regional meeting. A theme (and preliminary program) will also help focus fundraising. Many companies plan sponsorships a year or two in advance. Don't worry about going too early, if they're interested, they'll tell you when to come back.

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Table 3. Approved Budget (as of November 2019)

SE/SW 2020 Regional Meeting Budget LINE ITEM	2019 estimates BUDGET	Last modified 11/18/2019 NOTES
REVENUES		
A. Sponsorships		
1. Corporate	\$24,000	
2. Universities	\$16,000	
3. ACS (Sections & Divisions)	\$38,000	
4. Other	\$12,000	
Subtotal (Sponsorships)	\$90,000	
B. Advance from Local Section	\$5,000	
C. Loans	\$5,000	Loans Worksheet
D. Registration	\$144,500	See Registration Worksheet
E. Event Revenues	\$0	Events other than the Awards Banquet
F. Awards Banquet (ticketed event)	\$2,500	Estimated ticket sales
G. Mixer tickets (cash bar)	\$0	
H. Exposition	\$30,000	30 booths x \$1000 / booth
I. Graduate fair booths	\$9,000	30 University tables @ \$300 / table
J. Advertising revenues	\$0	Ads sold in program booklet
TOTAL REVENUES	\$286,000	
EXPENSES		
A. Committee Expenses		
1. Meeting breaks	\$2,000	coffee/snacks for meetings (F&B cost)
2. Postage, office supplies, printing misc.	\$1,500	
3. Steering Committee Luncheon	\$2,800	40 @ \$70 per head (F&B cost)
4. Travel expenses for LOC 2019, 2020	\$3,560	See travel expense worksheet
B. Printing/Publicity		
1. Program Book	\$0	
2. Regional Meetings App	\$5,000	To ACS for App
3. SERMACS App	\$5,000	To SE Region for App ?
4. Flyers - printing/mailling/postage	\$2,000	
5. Web page design; Social Media	\$2,500	
6. Ads in local section pubs	\$1,000	
7. Ads in C&EN, other pubs	\$4,000	
8. Promotional Items	\$5,000	Promotional; Give-Aways at Nat'l Meetings, etc.
C. Meeting Site Expenses		
1. Audiovisual Services - contract	\$35,000	PSAV Estimate
2. Audiovisual Services - contingency	\$2,000	
3. Microphones	\$0	In PSAV bid ?
4. Facility liability insurance	\$0	Included in ACS umbrella package
5. Poster Sessions	\$3,000	Posterboard rental
6. Operations Room	\$500	Room provided in contract; stock with water; soft drinks, and snacks; F&B cost
8. Internet Access	\$0	Internet access in Meeting Rooms; Included in Bid
9. Gratuities to facility staff, drayage	\$0	
D. Program		
1. Symposia Grants	\$42,000	\$1000 per 1/2 day symposium (35 symposia in 2010)
2. Undergraduate Program	\$3,000	plus ACS Matching Grant of \$2800
2. Complimentary registrations	\$1,000	Student volunteers (20 students @\$50 each)
E. Registration		
1. Telephone lines	\$0	Local Access and 800 # Only for use at registration area
2. ACS on-line registration processing fee	\$6,000	\$4/registrant (ACS charge)
3. Registration Give-Aways	\$6,000	Items for each registrant (cups, pens, ...) \$4/registrant
F. Loan Repayment		
	\$5,000	Loans Worksheet
G. Exposition		
1. Expo Riggers	\$7,500	Freeman estimate
2. Expo/Poster Session handouts, maps, etc.	\$300	
3. Prizes/Contests (in Expo)	\$0	Provided by exhibitors
4. Exhibitor Box Lunches	\$3,600	F&B cost (\$30 each*2 people/booth*30 booths*2 days)
5. Coffee Breaks (in Expo)	\$8,400	F&B cost (\$12*2 days*350 people)
H. Special Events/Activities		
1. Mixer	\$25,000	F&B cost
2. Awards Banquet	\$8,500	Offset by tickets; off-site
3. Awards Expenses (Other)	\$1,000	Plaques/Cash Awards, contingency
4. Shuttle Bus service	\$0	
5. Complimentary events tickets	\$2,000	Meals, receptions, special events where there is a fee.
6. F&B Balance	\$7,700	\$50,000 minus F&B items, above; Contract F&B minimum \$50,000
15% Contingency on F&B, AV, Riggers	\$13,875	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$215,735	
NET	\$70,265	

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1. Table 4. Final Revised Budget Categories and Actual Expenses

SE/SW 2020 Regional Meeting Budget LINE ITEM	2020 estimates BUDGET	Last modified 09/30/2020 ACTUAL	NOTES
REVENUES			
A. Sponsorships			
1. Corporate	\$0	\$0	
2. Universities	\$0	\$0	
3. ACS (Sections & Divisions)	\$0	\$0	
4. Other	\$0	\$0	
Subtotal (Sponsorships)	\$0	\$0	
B. Advance from Local Section	\$5,000	\$5,000	
C. Loans	\$5,000	\$5,000	Loans Worksheet
D. Registration	\$10,000	\$0	See Registration Worksheet
E. Event Revenues	\$0	\$0	Events other than the Awards Banquet
F. Awards Banquet (ticketed event)	\$0	\$0	Estimated ticket sales
G. Mixer tickets (cash bar)	\$0	\$0	
H. Exposition	\$0	\$0	30 booths x \$1000 / booth
I. Graduate fair booths	\$0	\$0	30 University tables @ \$300 / table
J. Advertising revenues	\$0	\$0	Ads sold in program
TOTAL REVENUES	\$20,000	\$10,000	
EXPENSES			
A. Committee Expenses			
1. Meeting breaks	\$4,000	\$0	coffee/snacks for meetings
2. Postage, office supplies, printing misc.	\$0	\$0	
3. Steering Committee Luncheon	\$0	\$0	
4. Travel expenses for LOC 2019, 2020	\$3,560	\$3,265	See travel expense worksheet
B. Printing/Publicity			
1. Program Book	\$260	\$0	Paper Program
2. Regional Meetings App	\$0	\$0	To ACS for App
3. SERMACS App	\$0	\$0	To SE Region for App
4. Flyers - printing/mailling/postage	\$0	\$0	
5. Web page design; Social Media	\$0	\$190	Website development and maintenance costs
6. Ads in local section pubs	\$0	\$0	
7. Ads in C&EN, other pubs	\$0	\$0	
8. Promotional Items	\$0	\$211	Promotional; Give-Aways at Nat'l or Regional Meetings, etc.
C. Meeting Site Expenses			
1. Audiovisual Services - contract	\$8,000	\$0	PSAV Estimate
2. Audiovisual Services - contingency	\$800	\$0	10% of AV Services
3. Microphones	\$0	\$0	In PSAV bid ?
4. Facility liability insurance	\$0	\$0	Included in ACS umbrella package
5. Poster Sessions	\$0	\$0	Posterboard rental
6. Operations Room	\$0	\$0	Room provided in contract; stock with water; soft drinks, and snacks
8. Internet Access	\$0	\$0	Internet access in Meeting Rooms; Included in Bid
9. Gratuities to facility staff, drayage	\$0	\$0	
D. Program			
1. Symposia Grants	\$1,440	\$0	\$80 per 1/2 day symposium
2. Undergraduate Program	\$0	\$0	plus ACS Matching Grant of \$2800
3. Complimentary registrations	\$400	\$0	Student volunteers (10 students@\$40 each)
E. Registration			
1. Telephone lines	\$0	\$0	Local Access and 800 # Only for use at registration area
2. ACS on-line registration processing fee	\$520	\$0	\$4/registant (ACS charge)
3. Registration Give-Aways	\$520	\$0	Items for each registrant (cups, pens, ...) \$4/registant
F. Loan Repayment			
	\$5,000	\$5,000	Loans Worksheet
G. Exposition			
1. Expo Riggers	\$0	\$0	Freeman estimate
2. Expo/Poster Session handouts, maps, etc.	\$0	\$0	
3. Prizes/Contests (in Expo)	\$0	\$0	Provided by exhibitors
4. Exhibitor Box Lunches	\$0	\$0	
5. Coffee Breaks (in Expo)	\$0	\$0	
H. Special Events/Activities			
1. Mixer	\$0	\$0	
2. Awards Banquet	\$0	\$0	Offset by tickets; off-site
3. Awards Expenses (Other)	\$0	\$0	Plaques/Cash Awards, contingency
4. Shuttle Bus service	\$0	\$0	
5. Complimentary events tickets	\$0	\$0	Meals, receptions, special events where there is a fee.
6. F&B Balance	\$0	\$0	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$24,500	\$8,666	
NET	-\$4,500	\$1,334	

- 2 Choose your venue carefully and develop a relationship. The Hilton never interacted directly with us – always through the ACS. Under ordinary circumstances there would have been not issues. But extraordinary circumstances happen.
- 3 Plan for the unexpected; have a Plan B. Even though we believed *force majeure* was inevitable, our Plan B was a 145-presentation program, such as it was, in place if we had decided to go forward with the meeting and only 5 weeks lead-time.
- 4 We had enquiries about “going virtual.” While I think there’s no substitute for an in-person meeting, virtual meetings are becoming a reality and the various components to such a venue have to be discussed including:
 - a. An ACS-adopted platform and its capability to handle the traffic; (I’ve heard stories about connectivity issues at the virtual National Meeting.)
 - b. Training users
 - c. Addressing fee structures for virtual-only attendees.
 - d. Addressing how virtual components impact relations with venues and other contractors. (If the meeting is going to have a virtual component, what fraction of registrants will be virtual? Virtual Expo? Virtual Grad Fair? How does this impact room guarantees, etc.? How will this be addressed during the planning and budgeting processes?)

Respectfully submitted,



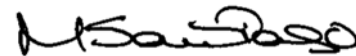
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October 9, 2020

SWRM 2021 updates as of 5-oct-2020

Hosted by: Central Texas Local Section, Austin, Texas

Dates: Sunday October 31 - Wednesday November 3, 2021

Location: AT&T Hotel and Conference Center, <https://meetattexas.com>, 1900 University Ave, Austin, TX 78705

Website: SWRM2021.org. This is only a splash page so far. We've studied other regional meeting websites (before they were taken down) and are discussing through Slack to decide what needs to be included on our pages.

Advertising: A slide (see below) was designed to be displayed during talks by section members at the past national and regional meetings; we didn't have a chance to advertise at the virtual national meeting this fall. We've also printed 100 round stickers (from stickermule.com) with the armadillo, the meeting

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dates and the website.

LOC:

General Chairs - Diane Kneeland, Margaret Connor

Treasurer - Malcolm Prouty

Awards Chair - Mary Kopecki

Exhibits Chair - ~~Amanda Riojas~~

Technical Programming Chair - Kami Hull

Fundraising Chair - Barry Streusand

Career Activities - Anting Chen

Posters Chair- Karen Lewis

High School Teacher Programming Chair - unfilled

Social Events - unfilled

Senior Chemists Committee Chair - unfilled

Website - Malcolm Prouty

Facilities Chair - Eric Bliss

Site Information:

AT&T Executive Education and Conference Center, The University of Texas at Austin

Sleeping Room Block Guarantee: Saturday 10/30/2021 - 4; Sunday -119; Monday - 149; Tuesday - 119;

Wednesday - 4.

Sleeping Room rate: \$199 (maximum 10 comp guest rooms)

Exhibits: Ballroom and pre-function area for up to 75 exhibitors

Meeting rooms: Sunday-Tuesday 10 rooms for technical sessions and workshops; Wednesday 6 rooms for HS teacher workshops, awards lunch and SWRM board meeting

Registration Fees:

As per SWRM-RMRM 2019

Member: \$160/\$210; Non-member \$185/\$235; Undergrad Member \$25/\$40; Undergrad Non-member \$40/\$55; Grad Member \$50/\$70; Grad Non-member \$70/\$90; Postdoc Member \$80/\$100; Postdoc Nonmember \$100/\$120; K-12 Teacher Member \$20/\$40; K-12 Teacher Non-member \$30-\$50; HS Student \$10/\$10; 50 yr Member, or Retired, Emeritus, Unemployed \$0/\$0; Spouse or guest \$25/\$45.

Contract:

We signed an MOU with SWRM and ACS giving ACS authorization to sign a contract with the hotel on our behalf. The contract was signed in May 2019. As the contract is now written, we are committed to paying the hotel 25% of the guaranteed food & beverage and sleeping rooms, if we choose to break the contract without cause (there is a "force majeure" clause that covers causes such as pandemics). At the end of April 2020, we would be responsible for 50%. Kim Savage is going to be in communication with the hotel to determine whether there is any room for renegotiation of the terms of the contract, given that circumstances might prevent us from reaching our guaranteed attendance numbers.

Program

Theme: Innovations in Chemistry for Global Challenges - We've Got the Solutions!

Symposia Organizers: Sean Roberts (Physical); Simon Humphreys (Inorganic); Emily Que, Mike Rose (Bioinorganic); Kami Hull (Organic)

Special Events: Halloween Night Opening Social-Trick or Treat in the EXPO (Sunday); Awards Banquet (Tuesday evening) awards for both 2020 and 2021; Governance Social (Tuesday afternoon), WCC Luncheon (Monday); Senior Chemists Luncheon (Tuesday); Teacher's Luncheon; YCC Fun Run

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Livia Schiavinato Eberlin (Monday)

Workshops: HS Teacher Workshops (Sunday or Wednesday); Leadership Course

Health and Safety Workshop: SWRM received money from Past-President Bonnie Carpentier to have a Chemical Health and Safety workshop for chemistry faculty at undergraduate institutions, and for high school chemistry teachers and graduate students at a regional meeting. We expect to hold a workshop at the 2021 meeting. Registration cost would be minimal (possibly refunded with attendance at the meeting). We may be able to do it on the UT campus (next to the Conference Center) on Sunday, Oct. 31, the first day of SWRM 2021. People could attend without purchasing meeting registration if desired. Depending on the length of the workshop and the time, it might be possible not to spend the night in Austin.

General Remarks: The original timeline for SWRM 2021 included advertising at the fall 2020 national and regional meeting, and sending out invitations to exhibitors in September 2020. At this time (October 2020), no advertising has been done, and no invitations have been extended. We still intend to have an in-person meeting, probably with a virtual component, and an adjusted registration for virtual-only access. ACS has licenses to several platforms such as Zoom. The SWRM 2021 LOC plans to redo the budget after exploring what options are available and what costs would be, including a virtual platform and possibly having an ACS team to implement it.

The Central Texas Local Section will participate in a virtual Strategic Planning Retreat Oct.27-Nov. 1 2020. SWRM will be identified as one of the local section projects. Also, a SWRM planning meeting is scheduled for an all day, in-person meeting on Saturday November 7. It will be facilitated by David Harwell, a former ACS staff and now consultant for ACS. The theme of that meeting will be "What does success look like for SWRM 2021?" We will discuss how we can create a successful meeting in 2021, now that in-person and virtual participation should both be considered. We anticipate challenges to organizing under uncertain conditions, but also look forward to the opportunities that may arise from including a virtual component to our meeting.

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- I **Introduction and General***
General Chair: Daniel Varnado
Program Chair: Rendy Kartika

- I (a) **Executive Summary**
Although we planned to carry out site visits and complete the site selection process in Q1 2020, COVID-19 and the associated restrictions delayed our efforts. We were able to obtain RFP responses from the Hilton and the Crowne Plaza. We were eventually able to visit the Crowne Plaza Executive Center Baton Rouge on June 20, and the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center on September 11. We have favorable impressions of both but are leaning toward the Hilton. However, we are still waiting for more information from the Hilton on pricing before reaching a final decision. The meeting will be held November 6-9, 2022 if at the Hilton or on November 13-16, 2022 if at the Crowne Plaza.

We also considered holding the meeting in New Orleans in a cooperative fashion with the New Orleans Local Section in light of the cancellation of their 2020 meeting, but determined that such a venture was only plausible if the New Orleans Local Section formally cohosted. Without securing a commitment to cohost, we ruled out that path forward. However, we have invited the New Orleans Local Section to collaborate with us on the program.

We have appointed Dr. Zakiya S. Wilson-Kennedy to be our Awards Chair. She serves as the Assistant Dean for Diversity & Inclusion for the LSU College of Science and believe with her expertise she will make an excellent contribution to our program.

- I (b) **Site Selection**
FRPs were requested from the hotels in Baton Rouge which had been identified as having sufficient meeting space. Our team toured the Crowne Plaza Executive Center Baton Rouge on June 20, 2020 and The Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center on September 11, 2020. Both have sufficient meeting space for the meeting. The Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center is more expensive but also the site of our 2012 meeting and in a more appealing location.

There was discussion about holding the meeting in New Orleans instead of Baton Rouge. The impetus for looking at that option stemmed from negotiations between ACS and The Hilton Riverside to cancel the 2020 meeting. The Hilton Riverside wanted to charge a substantial cancellation fee and one path forward that was considered was attempting to convince them to waive the cancellation fee in response for

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future business – particularly our 2022 meeting. However, they were only willing to reduce the cancellation fee by half to a still significant amount. The Louisiana section was not willing to go that route. Ultimately, by September, it was clear that significant restrictions would still be in place in the State of Louisiana, severely curtailing the footprint and nature of the meeting. At which point it was clear that holding the meeting anyway under these circumstances would be a lose-lose scenario and on September 11, 2020, the Hilton allowed declaration of force majeure and allowed the Louisiana Local Section to cancel the meeting without any penalties.

The Baton Rouge local section was still willing to entertain the idea of holding the 2022 meeting in New Orleans if the Louisiana section was willing to cohost. This matter was discussed with the Louisiana Section Chair-Elect Candace Lawrence on September 13, 2020, who presented the matter to the Louisiana Local Section executive committee. They determined that they were unwilling to cohost. As such, the Baton Rouge section will hold the meeting in Baton Rouge, where our team will be better able to organize and obtain funding from our local sponsors to put on a successful meeting. We expect to have all of the information to make a final decision between the Hilton and the Crowne Plaza in Q4, 2020.

In light of the unprecedented challenges faced in 2020, we have been advised to secure legal counsel for our 2022 meeting. We are still awaiting the in-the-works resolution from the regional chairs – to provide clarity on exactly what is expected from their end. However, we have also reached out to James Carver, Ph.D., J.D. and a member of our local section, who has indicated willingness to serve in this capacity. We will reach out to him and revisit this issue when we are at the point of signing a contract.

I (c)

Committee Members

General Chair: Daniel Varnado (daniel.varnado@albemarle.com)

Program Chair: Rendy Kartika (rkartika@lsu.edu)

Program Co-chair: Daniel Kuroda (dkuroda@lsu.edu)

Fundraising: Kevin Coppola (kevin.coppola@albemarle.com)

Treasurer/Councilor: Bryan Franklin (navree@cox.net)

Previous General Chair: Harold Young

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Indu Kheterpal (indu.kheterpal@albemarle.com)

Awards Chair: Zakiya S. Wilson-Kennedy (zwilson@lsu.edu)

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I (d) **Meeting Organizing Committee Operations**

Committee meeting (online) – 5/22/2020

Site Visit to Crowne Plaza Executive Center Baton Rouge – 6/20/2020

Site Visit to Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center – 9/11/2020

Committee meeting (online) – 10/6/2020

Our committee faced significant challenges this year due to COVID-19, with delays in site visits and having to hold meetings online rather than in person.

It will be helpful to send our General Chair and Program Chair to the ACS Leadership Conference in January 2021, if it is still scheduled for the coming year.

I (e) **Budget Development**

As a starting point, we reviewed the past actuals from the 2012 meeting and are using that budget as a starting point for planning the SWRM 2022. The Baton Rouge local section is financially healthy and no advance from SWRM will be required. The preliminary budget can be found in the Excel file accompanying this report.

LINE ITEM	BUDGET	NOTES
REVENUES		
A. Advance from Steering Cmte	0	
B. Advance from Local Section.	65,447	Value of investments 10/6/20
C. Registration	84,910	See worksheet. I used the 3rd set of assumptions 2012 Actual: 730 attendees \$47155.00 revenue
D. Grants/Contributions	10,000	
E. Sponsorships	10,000	
F. Symposium support	10,000	
Subtotal	180,357	Revenues not directly related to expenses. Should exceed subtotal for non-
F. Banquet tickets		\$ x # persons (price should include taxes & gratuities). Budget should equal expense
G. Luncheon Tickets		See banquet tickets
H. Mixer tickets cash bar		Charge based on bar prices per drink, taxes, gratuities, & cost of bartender
I. Exposition	9,000	# of booths x revenue/booth. Budget should exceed expense category F, making a
J. Advertising revenues	2,000	Ads sold in program booklet
K. Interest earned		If interest bearing checking account is used
L. Miscellaneous		
TOTAL REVENUES	191,357	
EXPENSES		
A. Committee Expenses		
1. Meetings	1,000	
2. Postage, supplies, misc.	50	
3. Steering Committee Luncheon	750	
4. Travel and Registration SWRM	2,000	
B. Printing/Publicity		
1. Abstract Book	3,000	No. copies based on No. registrants.
2. Email	0	
3. Web page design	2,000	
4. Ads in local section pubs	2,000	
5. Ads in C&EN, other pubs	2,000	
6. Miscellaneous	2,000	Promotional Give-Aways, etc
C. Meeting Site Expenses		
1. Space Rental/Facility Charge	25,000	See facility contract. If possible rental or attrition charges apply, allow a modest sum
2. Audiovisual Services - basics	16,000	# sessions/per day x # days for standard equipment set-up.
3. Audiovisual Services - special		Allowance for possible special requests from guest speakers and/or LCDs
4. Microphones		Unless provided on a complimentary basis by facility.
5. Facility liability insurance		included in ACS umbrella package
6. Poster Sessions	8,000	Posterboard rental
7. Miscellaneous	2,487	Vans, Gratuities to facility staff, drayage, etc.
D. Program		
1. Symposium Grant	25,000	Suggested \$300 - \$500 per 1/2 Day
2. Complimentary registrations	5,000	20 Grad school recruiting booth with 2 persons per booth @ \$125
3. Awards Expenses	2,000	Plaques/Cash Awards If any
4. Misc. supplies, postage	500	
E. Registration		
1. Credit card fees	2,547	2011 Estimation = 3% of total registration fees budgeted
2. 2 Telephone lines		Local Access and 800 # Only for use at registration area
F. Return of loan		
	65,447	Equals item A and/or B under revenues.
Subtotal - non-discretionary	162,981	
F. Exposition		
1. Decorator	5,000	Offset by revenues # booths x cost per booth for pipe and drape and sign, plus other quoted costs.

2. Exhibitor Prospectus Brochure		printing and mailing costs
3. Misc postage, phone expense		
4. Space Rental	25,000	\$25,000 minimum contract with Hilton
5. Security	1,500	
6. Prizes/Contests		Provided by exhibitors
7. Miscellaneous		Exhibitor Box Lunch, etc
G. Special Events/Activities		
1. Mixer		Offset by revenues, whether included in registration or a ticket sales event
2. Banquet/Luncheon(s))		Offset by revenues, whether included in registration or a ticket sales event
3. Complimentary events tickets		Meals, receptions, special events where there is a fee.
4. Other F&B Events (i.e., coffee		Offset by revenues, whether included in registration or a ticket sales event
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TOTAL EXPENSES	194,481	
NET	-3,124	

LINE ITEM	BUDGET	NOTES
REVENUES		
A. Advance from SWRM	\$0.00	No advance required
B. Advance from Local Section.	\$65,447.00	Value of investments 10/6/20
C. Registration	\$48,446.00	2012 revenue with 19% cumulative inflation 2010-2020
D. Workshops	\$1,500.00	
E. Sponsorships	\$20,000.00	
F. Symposium support	\$3,000.00	
Subtotal	\$138,393.00	Revenues not directly related to expenses. Should exceed subtotal for non-discretionary
G. Welcome Gala Reception	\$925.00	\$5 per ticket
H. Undergraduate Breakfast	\$115.00	\$1 per ticket
I. Goverance Luncheon	\$0.00	
J. Industrial Roundtable & Reception	\$0.00	
K. Louisiana Craft Beer Tasting	\$1,100.00	\$10 per ticket
L. Women Chemists Luncheon	\$1,325.00	\$25 per ticket
M. SWRM Awards Banquet	\$2,400.00	\$40 per ticket
N. Welcome Gala Reception bar tickets		Included in reception tickets
O. SWRM Board Breakfast	\$750.00	Charged to SWRM Board
O. Exposition	\$19,500.00	# of booths x revenue/booth. Budget should exceed expense category G, making a net
P. Advertising revenues	\$2,000.00	Ads sold in program booklet
Q. Interest earned	\$0.00	If interest bearing checking account is used
R. Miscellaneous	\$0.00	
Subtotal	\$25,975.00	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$166,508.00	
EXPENSES		
A. Committee Expenses		
1. Meetings	\$1,000.00	
2. Postage, supplies, misc.	\$50.00	
3. SWRM Board Breakfast	\$750.00	
4. Travel and Registration SWRM Austin	\$2,000.00	
B. Printing/Publicity		
1. Abstract Book	\$0.00	Exxon is printing
2. Email	\$0.00	
3. Web page design	\$2,000.00	
4. Ads in local section pubs	\$2,000.00	
5. Ads in C&EN, other pubs	\$2,000.00	
6. Miscellaneous	\$5,000.00	Promotional Give-Aways, etc USBs
C. Meeting Site Expenses		
1. Space Rental/Facility Charge	\$48,835.60	See Hilton RFP Respons for \$40,000 food/room rental. Includes 21% Service Charge and 9% sales tax.
2. Audiovisual Services - basics	\$9,300.00	2012 AVPG charge with 19% cumulative inflation 2010-2020
3. Audiovisual Services - special		Allowance for possible special requests from guest speakers and/or LCDs
4. Microphones		Unless provided on a complimentary basis by facility.
5. Facility liability insurance		included in ACS umbrella package
6. Poster Sessions	\$1,500.00	Gulf Coast Event Services charge with 19% cumulative inflation 2010-2020
7. Miscellaneous	\$1,325.00	Vans, Gratuities to facility staff, drayage, etc.
D. Program		
1. Symposium Grant	\$24,000.00	\$600 per 1/2 Day
2. Complimentary registrations	\$11,000.00	55 Grad school recruiting booth and Expo booths personnel @ \$200
3. Awards Expenses	\$2,000.00	Plaques/Cash Awards If any -- supplied by Regional/National. Awardees's rooms
4. Misc. supplies, postage	\$500.00	
E. Registration		
1. Credit card fees	\$1,453.38	\$4.00 per registrant
2. 2 Telephone lines		Local Access and 800 # Only for use at registration area
F. Return of loan		
	\$65,447.00	Equals item A and/or B under revenues.
Subtotal - non-discretionary expenses	\$180,160.98	
G. Exposition		
1. Decorator		Offset by revenues # booths x cost per booth for pipe and drape and sign, plus other quoted costs. Gulf Coast Event Services including w/e set up charge 50% deposit paid 10/23/12. Balance paid 11/23/12.

2. Exhibitor Prospectus Brochure		printing and mailing costs
3. Misc postage, phone expense		
4. Space Rental		Balance of minimum contract with Hilton
5. Security		
6. Prizes/Contests		
7. Miscellaneous	\$0.00	
Subtotal -discretionary expenses	\$0.00	
Total expenses	\$180,160.98	
Net	-\$13,652.98	
Steering Committee	-\$2,115.30	
Final Net	-\$11,537.68	

Category	% Registrants	# Registrants	Registration Fee	Revenue by Category
Member, Advance	30.00%	300	\$125.00	\$37,500.00
Member, Onsite	5.00%	50	\$150.00	\$7,500.00
Nonmember, Advance	5.00%	50	\$175.00	\$8,750.00
Nonmember, Onsite	2.00%	20	\$200.00	\$4,000.00
Postdoctorate, Advance	5.00%	50	\$95.00	\$4,750.00
Postdoctorate, Onsite	1.00%	10	\$105.00	\$1,050.00
Undergraduate Student, Advance	10.00%	100	\$50.00	\$5,000.00
Undergraduate Student, Onsite	5.00%	50	\$60.00	\$3,000.00
Graduate Student, Advance	20.00%	200	\$50.00	\$10,000.00
Graduate Student, Onsite	5.00%	50	\$60.00	\$3,000.00
Precollege Teacher, Advance	3.00%	30	\$60.00	\$60.00
Precollege Teacher, Onsite	1.00%	10	\$60.00	\$60.00
Member Ret./Emeritus/Unemployed, Advance	3.00%	30	\$60.00	\$60.00
Member Ret./Emeritus/Unemployed, Onsite	1.00%	10	\$60.00	\$60.00
Guest of Registrant, Advance	2.00%	20	\$60.00	\$60.00
Guest of Registrant, Onsite	1.00%	10	\$60.00	\$60.00
50-Year Member	1.00%	10	\$0.00	\$0.00
Number of registrants/total revenues	100.00%	1000		\$84,910.00

Assumes historical ACS Proportions and additional rates adjusted to BR Section discussion. Day rates would be additional revenue. Teachers, Emeritus and Guests set at the day rate since they are most likely to use it.

#	Category	Actual Registrants	% Registrants	Registration Fee	Revenue by Category
1A	Member, Early-bird	127	17.40%	\$90.00	\$11,430.00
1B	Member, Advance	61	8.36%	\$125.00	\$7,625.00
1C	Member, Onsite	37	5.07%	\$160.00	\$5,920.00
2A	Nonmember, Early-bird	14	1.92%	\$125.00	\$1,750.00
2B	Nonmember, Advance	17	2.33%	\$165.00	\$2,805.00
2C	Nonmember, Onsite	7	0.96%	\$200.00	\$1,400.00
4A	Undergraduate Student, Early-bird	44	6.03%	\$20.00	\$880.00
4B	Undergraduate Student, Advance	46	6.30%	\$25.00	\$1,150.00
4C	Undergraduate Student, Onsite	34	4.66%	\$30.00	\$1,020.00
5A	Graduate Student, Early-bird	120	16.44%	\$40.00	\$4,800.00
5B	Graduate Student, Advance	71	9.73%	\$50.00	\$3,550.00
5C	Graduate Student, Onsite	31	4.25%	\$60.00	\$1,860.00
6A	Postdoctorate, Early-bird	8	1.10%	\$60.00	\$480.00
6B	Postdoctorate, Advance	12	1.64%	\$75.00	\$900.00
6C	Postdoctorate, Onsite	5	0.68%	\$90.00	\$450.00
7A	Member Ret./Emeritus/Unemployed, Early-bird	6	0.82%	\$40.00	\$240.00
7B	Member Ret./Emeritus/Unemployed, Advance	3	0.41%	\$50.00	\$150.00
7C	Member Ret./Emeritus/Unemployed, Onsite	3	0.41%	\$60.00	\$180.00
8A	K-12 Teacher, Early-bird	2	0.27%	\$20.00	\$40.00
8B	K-12 Teacher, Advance	0	0.00%	\$25.00	\$0.00
8C	K-12 Teacher, Onsite	2	0.27%	\$30.00	\$60.00
9A	High School Student, Early-bird	1	0.14%	\$10.00	\$10.00
9B	High School Student, Advance	3	0.41%	\$10.00	\$30.00
9C	High School Student, Onsite	0	0.00%	\$10.00	\$0.00
	Complementary	5	0.68%	\$0.00	\$0.00
10A	Guest of Registrant, Early-bird	3	0.41%	\$20.00	\$60.00
10B	Guest of Registrant, Advance	1	0.14%	\$25.00	\$25.00
10C	Guest of Registrant, Onsite	3	0.41%	\$30.00	\$90.00
11A	50-Year Member, Early-bird	2	0.27%	\$0.00	\$0.00
11B	50-Year Member, Advance	0	0.00%	\$0.00	\$0.00
11C	50-Year Member, Onsite	2	0.27%	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Exhibitor	55	7.53%	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Additional Exhibitor Fee	5	0.68%	\$50.00	\$250.00

Number of registrants/total revenues	730	100.00%		47155
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Southwest Regional Meeting ACS Board

September 28, 2020

Dear Board Members and Representatives:

The Oklahoma Section will host SWRM 2023 in October 2023 in Oklahoma City. Here is an update on current progress.

Organizing Committee:

Lloyd Bumm (bumm@ou.edu, University of Oklahoma) and Cheryl B. Frech (cfrech@uco.edu, University of Central Oklahoma), Co-General Chairs

Frank Blum (fblum@okstate.edu, Oklahoma State University), Program Chair

Jason Wickham (jrwickham@nwsu.edu, Northwestern Oklahoma State University), Treasurer

We are in conversation with our local section leadership and we are reaching out to other sections in the state to recruit other key positions by the end of 2020. Oklahoma chemists have historically hosted an annual Pentasectional meeting with our five ACS sections (including MoKanOk, Tulsa, Northern Oklahoma, and Lawton-Wichita Falls). We plan to combine SWRM with the 2023 Pentasectional to bring in participants and volunteers from our in-state colleagues, as well collaborating with others in the region.

Agreements:

The Memorandum of Understanding and Meeting Management Agreement for this meeting have been signed by all parties.

Venue:

Kim Savage, our ACS staff liaison has submitted an RFP for sites. We will evaluate these proposals and if possible, visit the sites before making a selection. The site selection process should be complete by the end of 2020. Although we anticipate that the current pandemic will be over by 2023, we will include contingency provisions in our plans, in the event that we are obligated to move to a virtual or hybrid model.

Theme and Programming:

We are working with a tentative theme of "Chemistry in the Heartland". Our plan is to involve ACS Divisions in as many symposia as possible using a co-sponsorship model. Among our symposia tracks we envision an entrepreneurial science sub-theme owing to the many Oklahoma-based chemistry-related companies that have been launched in the last 20 years. Other featured symposia will likely include brewing chemistry, chemical health and safety, and surface science. All traditional chemistry disciplines will also be represented.

**BYLAWS OF THE
SOUTHWEST REGIONAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY**
Revised, November 2019

Several Local Sections of the American Chemical Society (the “Society”) which lie within or partially within the states of Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arkansas and Louisiana have organized a District of Columbia non-profit Corporation known as SWRMACS (herein as “the Corporation”) which will collectively sponsor technical meetings, present awards and other forms of recognition, and carry out various activities of interest and benefit to those members of the Society’s Local Sections who reside in these states.

Article 1 Name and Organization

1. The Local Sections within the mentioned states which choose to participate in the common affairs of the Corporation are called collectively the Southwest Region Sections, or briefly, the Southwest Region. The affiliated Local Sections within the Southwest Region of ACS are:

Brazosport	Panhandle Plains
Baton Rouge	Permian Basin
Central Arkansas	Rio Grande Valley
Central Texas	Sabine–Neches
Dallas–Fort Worth	San Antonio
East Texas	South Plains
Greater Houston	South Texas
Heart O' Texas	Southwest Louisiana
Louisiana	Texas A & M
Northern Oklahoma	Tulsa
Northwest Louisiana	University of Arkansas
Oklahoma	Wichita Falls–Duncan
Ouachita Valley	

2. A participating Local Section may withdraw from the Region.
 - a. To withdraw from the Corporation, a Local Section must submit resolution to do so to the Regional Secretary-Treasurer, who shall within thirty (30) days send copies of the withdrawal request to the affiliated Local Sections and to the Steering Committee.
 - b. Participating Local Sections shall have thirty (30) days to send comments to the Regional Secretary-Treasurer after which the Executive Board shall meet with officers of the Local Section in an effort to reconcile differences.
 - c. If this fails the Steering Committee may accept the withdrawal of the participating Local Section by a majority vote.
3. All participating Local Sections are entitled to equal status in all activities and operations of the Region.
 - a. Participating Local Sections that do not host a regional meeting, pay dues, or otherwise engage in regional activities can be designated by the Executive Board as “Inactive”.
 - b. An inactive Section would not be eligible for any regional perquisites (including participation in any awards given by or to the Region).
 - c. An inactive Section could petition the Steering Committee for reinstate to “Active” status explaining what measures have been taken to make it eligible for active membership, including the payment of outstanding dues.
4. The Executive Committee of the Corporation shall be composed of the Regional Chair, and the Regional Vice Chair and the Regional Secretary-Treasurer.

5. The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be known as the Steering Committee and shall be made up of the Executive Committee of the Region and one representative from each of the participating Local Sections.

Article 2 Executive Committee

1. The **Chair** of the Executive Committee for the Corporation is elected by the Steering Committee for a five-year term, with the first term being 3 years (beginning 2016). The person who serves as Chair also serves on the Steering Committee and on the Executive Committee.
2. The **Vice Chair** of the Executive Committee for the Corporation is elected by the Steering Committee for a five-year term, with the first term being 3 years (beginning 2017). As Vice Chair, he/she serves on the Steering Committee and on the Executive Committee, and acts in the Chair's place as required.
3. The **Secretary-Treasurer** of the Corporation is elected by the Steering Committee for a five-year term. The person who serves as Secretary-Treasurer also serves on the Steering Committee and on the Executive Committee. The Secretary-Treasurer will set the agenda for the annual business meeting and run the meeting in the absence of the Chair.
4. Each member of the Executive Committee of the Corporation shall be also a member of one of the participating Local Sections of the Region during the term of office.
5. Should the office of Chair become vacant, through resignation or any other reason, the Vice Chair shall become Chair. Should the office of Secretary-Treasurer become vacant, an Acting Secretary-Treasurer shall be appointed by the Chair to serve until the new Secretary-Treasurer is elected by the Steering Committee. The Chair and the Vice Chair carry out such duties as their offices require, and as suggested in these Articles.
6. The Secretary-Treasurer carries out such duties, as the office requires; the office is charged specifically:
 - (a) to maintain a list of Local Section representatives on the Steering Committee of the Corporation;
 - (b) to notify these representatives at least four weeks in advance of the time and place of meetings of the Steering Committee;
 - (c) to record the business carried out at such meetings and maintain such records;
 - (d) to maintain the financial records of the Corporation, to manage the Steering Committee Fund and to arrange for an annual audit;
 - (e) to receive and disburse monies on behalf of the Steering Committee; and
 - (f) to present a financial report to the Steering Committee annually.

Article 3 Local Section Participation

1. Participation in the affairs of the Southwest Region is restricted to those Local Sections listed in Article 1.1. The status of participation is granted to a Local Section through the Steering Committee, upon request by the presiding officer of the Local Section.
2. The responsibilities of participation by a Local Section in the affairs of the Corporation include:
 - (a) furnishing a representative to sit on the Steering Committee, and to take part in its deliberations;
 - (b) assuming a financial obligation for the support of the activities of the Corporation; and
 - (c) providing leadership from time to time as the Host Section for the Corporation's Regional Meeting.

Article 4 Southwest Regional Meeting

1. The Southwest Region shall annually sponsor a technical meeting called the Southwest Regional Meeting (SWRM), designated by the appropriate sequence of annual meetings.
2. Generally, one participating Local Section will serve as the Host Section for the Meeting, which will be held within the geographical boundaries of the Section. However, joint sponsorship by two or more Local Sections within the Region is allowed, as is joint sponsorship between Regions.
3. The time and place of each Regional Meeting and its Host Section or Sections shall be decided and approved by the Steering Committee.
4. Bids for the Regional Meeting by a Local Section should be submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Region at least five years before the meeting date. The bid should include in writing the following information:
 - (a) Meeting Rooms. Include approximate number available and approximate size.
 - (b) Exhibits Area. Location with respect to meeting rooms and approximate area. Provisions should be made for 35-45 booths approximately 8 'x 10'.
 - (c) Housing. List of hotels/motels and number of rooms available within reasonable walking distance of meeting rooms.
 - (d) Travel Facilities. Airlines serving major metropolitan areas of Southwest Region.
 - (e) Endorsement from Chamber of Commerce or Conventions Organization indicating local support for the meeting.
 - (f) Any other information which would be helpful for the committee in making the site selection.
5. The General Chair (or Co-Chair) of the Regional Meeting shall be selected from within the membership of the Host Section at least three years prior to the meeting. The Secretary-Treasurer of the Region shall be notified immediately upon the selection.
6. The arrangement and management of each Regional Meeting and all detailed matters shall be the concern of the Host Section.
7. Any monetary net surplus from the Regional Meeting shall accrue to the Host Section, except that 10% of such surplus shall be deposited in a Steering Committee Fund.
8. During the eighteen-month period which precedes the SWRM, the Host Section(s) may borrow up to a total of \$5,000 or 20% of the assets, whichever is smaller, from the Steering Committee Fund for its running expenses. Any monies so borrowed must be repaid to the Fund within twelve months following the Regional Meeting.
9. If a deficit is incurred in conducting a SWRM, the host section(s) will be responsible for the loss up to \$5.00 per member, based on total membership of the section(s). Any additional deficit will be underwritten by the Steering Committee Fund up to a maximum of \$4,000 or 20% of the assets of the Steering Committee Fund, whichever is smaller. Larger deficits will be the responsibility of the host section(s).

Article 5 Steering Committee

1. The Steering Committee of the Corporation shall hold an annual business meeting, and any other meetings as may be necessary to carry out its affairs.
2. The time and place of the annual business meeting, and of any other meetings, shall be fixed by the Chair, with written notice sent by the Secretary-Treasurer to the Steering Committee Member of each participating Local Section and Executive Committee at least four weeks in advance of the time of the meeting.

3. At any meeting of the Steering Committee, fixed by the Chair, and announced by the Secretary-Treasurer as stated above, those members present shall constitute a proper quorum for conducting business.
4. The members of the Steering Committee include:
 - (a) The Chair, the Vice Chair, and Secretary-Treasurer of the Region, which constitutes the Executive Committee, and
 - (b) A Steering Committee member from each of the participating Local Sections within the region who will serve as its member on the Steering Committee. The Local Section member should be either a member appointed for at least a three-year period, to insure continuity of operation, or the Chair-Elect.
5. Any member of the Steering Committee may ask that the Secretary-Treasurer vote in their stead, as proxy, in any or all matters which come before the meeting. Such a request must be made, in writing, prior to the opening of the meeting.
6. The responsibilities of the Steering Committee are:
 - (a) to name the Host Section, the time and the place for each Southwest Regional Meeting;
 - (b) to maintain a Steering Committee Fund for use by the Corporation;
 - (c) to provide counsel and guidance for Host Sections, and to review plans and proposed budget for the Regional Meeting; and
 - (d) to lend continuity to the management of the Southwest Regional Meeting and to all other matters which relate to the Corporation
7. The order of business at the annual meeting of the Steering Committee shall include:
 - (a) The reading of the minutes of the previous annual meeting, and the minutes of any following meeting of the Steering Committee and the Executive Committee;
 - (b) the reporting of the financial status of the organization;
 - (c) the reporting by various committees;
 - (d) the reporting by the general chair of the current Southwest Regional Meeting;
 - (e) the reporting by the general chair of the coming Southwest Regional Meeting, and the review of his/her plans and proposed budget;
 - (f) the approval of Host Sections; time and places for future Regional Meetings; and
 - (g) the consideration of any other matters pertinent to the business of the Region.
8. The Executive Committee shall serve with authority to carry out such business of the Corporation as may be required, except that specifically reserved for the action of the Steering Committee. All actions of the Executive Committee are to be reported at the next following meeting of the Steering Committee.

Article 6 Steering Committee Fund

1. The Secretary-Treasurer serves as manager of the Steering Committee Fund.
2. The primary of the Fund is to provide cash awards and aid in the implementation of Regional Meetings. However, these purposes should not prevent its use for other purposes pertinent to the affairs of the Corporation. Expenditures from the fund other than those directly related to Regional Meetings shall be approved by a majority of the members of the Steering Committee who vote.

3. From time to time, means of augmenting the Steering Committee Fund, other than those associated with surplus from Regional Meetings, may be suggested. Where such involve a request for contributions from participating Local Sections, approval of a majority of the members of the Steering Committee who vote is required.
4. Normal and customary travel expenses for the Chair of the Steering Committee, Vice Chair, Secretary-Treasurer and the General Chair of the following year's meeting (*i.e.*, for SWRM 2015, 2016 General Chair will be eligible) of up to \$500 with receipts will be allowed if funds are not available from the local section. Exceptions will be judged on a case-by-case basis.

Article 7 Ad hoc Committees

1. The Chair of the Executive Committee may appoint ad hoc committees to assist in carrying out the business of the Corporation and its Steering Committee.
2. Each such ad hoc committee shall report on its activities and accomplishments at the annual business meeting of the Steering Committee. The Committee is dissolved following its report, unless specifically continued by the Chair.

Article 8 Awards Committee

1. The Corporation will have an awards committee consisting of at least 2 appointed members. This committee will:
 - a. Assist the Regional Meeting awards committee in ensuring that the Southwest Regional Awards are awarded each year.
 - b. Maintain a historical record of the awardees of each award.
 - c. Administration of the Student Presenter Travel Scholarships as set forth in the guidelines, which serve as an addendum to these Bylaws.

Article 9 Southwest Regional Awards

1. The Corporation will offer the following annual awards: ACS Division of Chemical Education Southwest Region Award for Excellence in High School Teaching (High School Teaching Award), Southwest Regional ACS Award, Stanley C. Israel Southwest Regional Award (Israel Award), E. Ann Nalley Regional Award for Volunteer Service to the American Chemical Society Southwest Region (Nalley Award), ACS SWRM Student Travel Award (Student Travel Award), and Partners for Progress and Prosperity Award (P3 Award).
 - (a) The candidates for the High School Teaching Award shall be those persons nominated by participating Local Sections. Candidates must be a current or retired High School teacher in the Southwest Region of the ACS.
 - (b) The candidates for the Southwest Regional ACS Award, Israel Award, Nalley Award and P3 Award shall be those persons nominated by participating Local Sections. Candidates must reside in the Southwest Region of the ACS during the time of the work and/or service leading to their nomination for the Award.
 - (c) Awards shall be presented to the recipients during a Southwest Regional Meeting. They shall consist of appropriate certificates or plaques, equal monetary awards, and travel expenses to the SWRM that year.
 - (d) Normal and customary travel expenses for the High School Teacher, Southwest Regional ACS and Nalley award winners of up to \$500 with receipts will be allowed. Normal and customary travel expenses for the P3 Award winners of up to \$500 with receipts for each partner will be allowed. Exceptions will be judged on a case-by-case basis.
 - (e) The monetary amounts of the awards will be \$2,000 for the Southwest Regional ACS Award, \$1,000 for the High School Teacher Award, \$1,000 for the Nalley Award, and \$1000 for each partner of the P3 Award winners. Change in monetary amounts of the awards can be made by a majority vote of the Steering Committee.
 - (f) Guidelines for administration of the Awards serve as an addendum to these Bylaws.

- (g) SWRM will provide up to ten \$500 travel awards for students who are presenting papers. Guidelines for the awards will be determined by the awards committee.

Article 10 Amendments of Bylaws

- 1. These Bylaws may be amended following approval of the suggested amendment by at least two-thirds of the members of the Steering Committee. The suggested amendment shall be received in writing by the Secretary-Treasurer over the signatures of not fewer than six members of the Steering Committee, together with reasons for the change. It shall be distributed by the Secretary-Treasurer for approval or disapproval to each member of the Steering Committee. Should the suggested amendment not be approved within one year of the date of its distribution, it is considered disapproved, and void.

Article 11 Dissolution

- 1. The Corporation defined by these Articles may be dissolved if approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Steering Committee.
- 2. Any monies held by the Corporation if so dissolved are to be dispersed among the participating Local Sections on a pro rata basis based on the total membership of each section.

Article 12 Enabling Clause

- 1. All policies and practices previously established by the Steering Committee which are inconsistent with any part or parts of these Bylaws are declared void upon adoption of these Bylaws. The provisions given herein become operative immediately upon adoption. Adoption is effected by approval of at least two-thirds of the members of the Steering Committee.

Location of Past and Future Southwest Regional ACS Meetings

<u>Year</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Joint with</u>	<u>Net/Loss</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
1970	New Orleans	New Orleans	SERMACS		
1971	San Antonio	San Antonio			
1972	Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge			
1973	El Paso	Rio Grande			
1974	Houston	SE Texas			
1975	Memphis	Memphis	SERMACS		
1976	Fort Worth	Dallas/Ft Worth			
1977	Little Rock	Central Arkansas			
1978	Corpus Christi	S Texas			
1979	Austin	Central Texas			
1980	New Orleans	New Orleans	SERMACS		
1981	San Antonio	San Antonio			
1982	El Paso	Rio Grande			
1983	Tulsa	Tulsa			
1984	Lubbock	South Plains			
1985	Memphis	Memphis	SERMACS		
1986	Houston	SE Texas			
1987	Little Rock	Central Arkansas			
1988	Corpus Christi	S Texas			
1989	Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge			
1990	New Orleans	New Orleans	SERMACS		
1991	San Antonio	San Antonio			
1992	Lubbock	South Plains			
1993	Austin	Central Texas			
1994	Fort Worth	Dallas/Ft Worth			
1995	Memphis	Memphis	SERMACS		
1996	Houston	SE Texas			
1997	Tulsa	Tulsa			
1998	Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge			
1999	El Paso	Rio Grande			
2000	New Orleans	Louisiana	SERMACS		
2001	San Antonio	San Antonio			
2002	Austin	Central Texas			
2003	Oklahoma City	Oklahoma			
2004	Dallas/Ft Worth	Dallas/Ft Worth			
2005	Memphis	Memphis	SERMACS		
2006	Houston	Greater Houston		\$ 101,521.52	
2007	Lubbock	South Plains		\$ 13,278.02	
2008	Little Rock	Central Arkansas		\$ 23,000.00	
2009	El Paso	Rio Grande		\$ 12,777.00	

<u>Year</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Joint with</u>	<u>Net/Loss</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
2010	New Orleans	Louisiana	SERMACS	\$ 115,051.63	1610
2011	Austin	Central Texas		\$ 36,923.40	1246
2012	Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge		\$ 37,108.40	725
2013	Waco	Heart O' Texas		\$ 14,860.00	850
2014	Fort Worth	Dallas/Ft Worth		\$ 65,800.10	755
2015	Memphis	Memphis	SERMACS	\$ 70,000.00	930
2016	Galveston	Greater Houston		\$ 50,269.90	1001
2017	Lubbock	South Plains		\$ 44,457.83	650
2018	Little Rock	Central Arkansas		\$ -3953.35	600
2019	El Paso	Rio Grande	RMRM	\$ 13100.11	570
2020	New Orleans	Louisiana	SERMACS	\$ -3666.42	0
		Meeting terminated due to COVID-19			
2021	Austin	Central Texas			
2022	Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge			
2023	Oklahoma City	Oklahoma			
2024	Waco	Heart O' Texas			
2025			SERMACS		

Rotation Schedule

<u>Bid Year</u>	<u>Host Year</u>			
2019	2024	Waco		
	2025		SERMACS	SWRM
2021	2026	Dallas-Ft Worth		
2022	2027	Lubbock		
2023	2028	Little Rock		
2024	2029	San Antonio		
2025	2030	New Orleans	SWRM	SERMACS
2026	2031	Houston		
2027	2032	Baton Rouge		
2028	2033	Austin		
2029	2034	A&M - College Station		
	2035		SERMACS	SWRM
2031	2036	Oklahoma		
2032	2037	Waco		
2033	2038	Dallas-Ft Worth		
2034	2039	Lubbock		
2035	2040	New Orleans	SWRM	SERMACS

Rotation

Dallas-Ft Worth	TX
Lubbock	TX
Little Rock	AR
San Antonio	TX
Houston	TX
Baton Rouge	LA
Austin	TX
A&M - College Station	TX
Oklahoma	OK
Waco	TX

New Orleans every 10

Southwest Regional Award Winners

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Company/Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>
1948	Dr. E. P. Schoch	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1949	Dr. Fred Frey	Phillips Petroleum Co.	Bartlesville, OK
1950	Dr. R. J. Williams	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1951	Dr. Klare Markley	USDA Southern Regional Laboratory	New Orleans, LA
1952	Dr. P. L. Day	University of Arkansas Medical School	Little Rock, AR
1953	Dr. H. R. Henze	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1954	Dr. Phil West	Louisiana State University	Baton Rouge, LA
1955	Dr. V. A. Kalichevsky	Mobil Oil Corporation	Beaumont, TX
1956	Dr. W. O. Milligan	The Rice Institute	Houston, TX
1957	Dr. Guy Waddington	U. S. Bureau of Mines	Bartlesville, OK
1958	Dr. K. A. Kobe	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1959	Dr. Paul Delahay	Louisiana State University	Baton Rouge, LA
1960	Dr. Edward S. Amis	University of Arkansas	Fayetteville, AR
1961	Dr. H. L. Lochte	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1962	Dr. Joe Franklin	Esso Research & Engineering Co.	
1963	Dr. Jacob Sacks	University of Arkansas	
1964	Dr. Raymond Reiser	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
1965	Dr. Norman Hackerman	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1966	Dr. Richard B. Turner	Rice University	Houston, TX
1967	Dr. Sean P. McGlynn	Louisiana State University	Baton Rouge, LA
1968	Dr. Rowland Pettit	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1969	Dr. Nugent F. Chamberlain	Esso Research & Engineering Co.	
1970	Dr. Paul Kuroda	University of Arkansas	Fayetteville, AR
1971	Dr. Bruno J. Zwolinski	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
1972	Dr. Ruth R. Benerito	USDA Southern Regional Laboratory	New Orleans, LA
1973	Dr. John L. Margrave	Rice University	Houston, TX
1974	Dr. George Willard Watt	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1975	Dr. William A. Pryor	Louisiana State University	Baton Rouge, LA
1976	Dr. Arthur E. Martell	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
1977	Dr. F. Albert Cotton	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
1978	Dr. Michael J. S. Dewar	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1979	Dr. Malcolm Dole	Baylor University	Waco, TX
1980	Dr. Jett C. Arthur, Jr	USDA Southern Regional Laboratory	New Orleans, LA
1981	Dr. Ralph S. Becker	University of Houston	Houston, TX
1982	Dr. Marvin Johnson	Phillips Petroleum Co.	Bartlesville, OK
1983	Dr. Jack H. Lunsford	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
1984	Dr. Paul D. Bartlett	Texas Christian University	
1985	Dr. Arthur Fry	University of Arkansas	
1986	Dr. Alan H. Cowley	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1987	Dr. Edward S. Lewis	Rice University	Houston, TX

1988	Dr. Albert Zlatkis	University of Houston University of Texas Southwestern Medical School	Houston, TX Dallas, TX
1989	Dr. R. W. Estabrook	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
1990	Dr. John P. Fackler	Mobil Research & Development Corp.	Dallas, TX
1991	Dr. Donald E. Woessner	Rice University	Houston, TX
1992	Dr. Richard E. Smalley	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1993	Dr. Marye Anne Fox	Exxon Research & Engineering Co.	Baytown, TX
1994	Dr. Robert Botto	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1995	Dr. J. J. Lagowski	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
1996	Dr. Abraham Clearfield	Phillips Laboratories	Bartlesville, OK
1997	Dr. Max Mc Daniel	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
1998	Dr. Marcetta Darensburg	The University of Texas	Austin, TX
1999	Dr. John Michael White	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
2000	Dr. Joseph B. Natowitz		
2001	NONE GIVEN		
2002	Dr. Jay K. Kochi	University of Houston	Houston, TX
2003	Dr. Peter Pulay	University of Arkansas	Fayetteville, AR
2004	Dr. Patrick Cassidy	Texas State University	
2005	Dr. Larry Peck	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
2006	Dr. Thomas B. Malloy, Jr	University of St. Thomas	Houston, TX
2007			
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2014	Frank M Raushel	Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
2015			
2016	Dr. Walter H. Waddell	ExxonMobile Chemical Company	Houston, TX
2017	Prof. Laszlo Prokai	University of North Texas Health Science Center Muroran Institute of Technology (Oklahoma State University & Texas Tech University)	Oklahoma City, OK and Lubbock, TX
2018	Satomi Niwayama	Rice University	Greater Houston
2019	Dr. Michael Wong	University of Texas at Dallas	Dallas-Ft. Worth
2020	Julia Chan		

Excellence in High School Teaching Award

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Section</u>
1991	George R. Hague, Jr.	St. Mark's School of Texas	Dallas/Ft. Worth
1992	Ms. Shelley Sweatt	Burkburnett HS	Wichital Fall-Duncan
1993	Kristen Henry	A&M Consolidated HS	Texas A&M
1994	Adriano Gonzales	Oliver Holmes HS	San Antonio
1995			
1996			
1997			
1998			
1999	NONE GIVEN		
2000	Barbara C. DeCuir	LSU Laboratory School	Baton Rouge
2001			
2002			
2003			
2004	Dwan Garrison	Flippin HS	Greater Houston
2005	Paul Price	Trinity Valley School in Ft. Worth	Dallas/Ft. Worth
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2014	Robert Lee	Rogers High School	Central Arkansas
2015			
2016	Carol B. Brown	Saint Mary's Hall	San Antonio
2017	Karen Compton	Plano East Senior HS	
2018	Usha Devathosh	North Houston Early College High School	Greater Houston
2019	Margaret Connor	Huntington-Surrey School	Greater Houston
2020	Jo L. King	Plano West Senior High School	Dallas-Ft. Worth

E. Ann Nalley Award for Volunteer Service to ACS

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Section</u>
2006		
2007		
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2013		
2014	Mamie W. Moy	Greater Houston
2015		
2016	Robert Fanick	San Antonio
2017	Keith Vitense	Wichita Falls-Duncan
2018	Kayla N Green	Dallas-Ft. Worth
2019	Carolyn Burnley	Greater Houston
2020	Amber Hinkle	Greater Houston

Stanley C Israel Award for Advancing Diveristy in the Chemical Sciences

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>
2004		
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2015		
2016	Dr. Ann Nalley	Cameron University
2017	Chemistry Department	Xavier University
2018	NOT GIVEN	
2019	Javoris Hollingsworth	University of St. Thomas

Partners for Progress and Prosperity (P3) Award

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Section</u>
2014			
2015			
2016			
2017	NOT GIVEN		
2018	NOT GIVEN		
2019	Crystal Young	University of St. Thomas	
	Sam Hernandez	Elijah Rising	Greater Houston
2020	Darren L. Williams	Sam Houston State University	
	Barbara Kanegsber	BFK Solutions, LLC	Greater Houston

Student Travel Awards

<u>Year</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Section</u>
2016	Darby	Ball	LeTourneau University	East Texas
	Emmanuel	Ilondiar	Cameron University	Wichita-Falls Duncan
	Jacobs	Jordan	Tulane University	Louisiana
	Andrew	Kocian	St. Edward's University	Central Texas
	Jacob	McCabe	TX A&M - Commerce	Dallas-Ft. Worth
	Sierra	Miller	West Texas A&M University	Panhandle Plains
	Gayan	Premaratne	Oklahoma State University	Oklahoma
	Troy	Selby-Karney	Lamar University	Sabine-Neches
	Zhi	Tan	MD Anderson Cancer Center	Greater Houston
2017	Corbin Bruner	McCleary	Sam Houston State University	Greater Houston
	Eduardo	Montoya	University of North Texas	Dallas-Ft. Worth
	Tochukwu	Nwaiwu	Cameron University	Wichita Falls-Duncan
	Michael	Poltash	Texas A&M University	Texas A&M
	Rebecca	Rhode	Eastern New Mexico University	South Plains
2018	Mistura O.	Faro	Cameron University	Wichita Falls-Duncan
	Juan Carlos	Mora	Sul Ross State University	Permian Basin
	Robert	Moreland	LeTourneau University	East Texas
	Isaac	Onyango	University of Oklahoma	Oklahoma
	Yixin	Ren	University of Texas at Dallas	Dallas-Ft. Worth
	Ivette	Rodriguez	Sam Houston State University	Greater Houston
	Shayla	Smithson	University of Arkansas - Ft. Smith	University of Arkansas
2019	Luis Guillermo			Rio Grande
	Ardon	Munoz	Oklahoma State	Oklahoma
	Romafu	Bates	St. Edward's University	Central Texas
				Greater Houston
				Greater Houston
2020	None Given	Meeting terminated due to COVID-19		