

ACS Portland Section EC Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2022, 6:30pm—via Zoom

Attendees: Arthur Glasfeld, Hannah Hefely, Dave Reingold, Marcie Merritt, Warren Ford, Jim Tung

1. Call to order: 6:33

2. Information Item

Part of the mailing and newsletter budget is going to be spent on a 9-month subscription for a publishing program.

3. Zoom meeting with ACS President-Elect Judy Giordan

The Section Executive Committee plans to participate in a zoom meeting with President-Elect Judy Giordan. The Section will prepare a list of questions to ask during the meeting.

4. Fall meeting schedule

The October meeting will be the first fall dinner meeting. Monthly dinner meetings throughout the academic year are planned. The schedule of dinner meetings will be listed in the newsletter and posted on the website acsportland.org.

5. Support for HS educators for BCCE

The EC has agreed to support two high school teachers every other year for the Biennial Conference on Chemical Education (BCCE) (<https://www.bcce2022.org/>). This initiative will be finalised in the future.

6. Pauling Medal Award

The Section is hosting the annual Pauling Medal Symposium. Selection Committee Chair Jim Tung reported that the committee continues to seek nominations for the 2022 Pauling Medal Award.

The Symposium committee is reviewing venues for the event, which likely will be in October. Treasurer Reingold continues to solicit donations for the event.

7. Cocktails with Chemists

Jim Tung requested funding for an informal evening event to improve outreach. The goal is to interest new people in ACS. Cocktails with Chemists will be held the evening of May 26th at the Bible Club. Event details will be posted on the website.

An additional outreach event suggested was to host a dinner for assistant professors in different schools to connect outside the academic environment. These events seek to provide a sense of community and engage members.

8. Website

Webmaster Hannah Hefely reported that website traffic shows 450 website visitors/month before the new website and after the new website was introduced traffic for April showed 1738 visitors!

Webmaster Hefely stated there will be a section on the website for scholarship winners.

A commenter requested newsletters and calendars going back to 2004.

9. Other Business:

Treasurer Reingold reported on status of investments, which had experienced some losses.

10. Adjourn: 7:12