ACS Portland Section EC Meeting Minutes

October 3rd, 2023, Zoom meeting

Attendees: Ken Schriver, Hannah Boxberger, Martha Dibblee, Robin Terjeson, David Terrell, Jim Tung, Marcie Merritt, Bernie Carlsen

Commence: 7:03pm

1. Dunne Symposium Summary

The Dunne Symposium was a successful event, with financial support from an IPG.

2. October Watch Parties in support of Puget Sound and Oregon Sections,

The October 2023 Portland Section meeting will be an online webinar among Puget Sound, Oregon, and Portland Sections. The Section is promoting Watch Parties for this event! The Section hopes this will facilitate undergraduate and graduate student participation, particularly for the 4pm Student Session.

3. NCW/OMSI Update,

Emails requesting volunteers for the OMSI Northwest Chemistry Week-end event went out earlier this week and have already generated several interested people.

4. Pauling Medal Award Symposium and Banquet, November 4th,

Three Portland Section members intend to represent the Portland Section at this event.

5. November EC Meeting Tuesday November 7th,

Through email polling, a new day of the week and time has been selected for Executive Committee meetings – Tuesday evenings at 7pm.

6. November Section Meeting Thursday November 9th, Juan Carlos Ramos (HP),

Chair Ken Schriver is seeking a venue for the November Section meeting.

7. Support for Girl Scouts STEM Day, Saturday November 18th in Salem,

Chair Ken Schriver encouraged support for the Girl Scouts STEM day activities in Salem.

8. Social Media, email marketing

There was discussion about the use of the Section's current email marketing platform. There also was discussion about the Section's social media platform.

9. 2024 Nominations Slate, Discussion of Members At-Large

For the 2024 election, Councilor Jim Tung and Alternate Councilor Marcie Merritt plan to run for re-election.

At-Large Members are appointed by the Section Chair. The Section interested in appointing Members At-Large to function as Secretary-Elect and Treasurer-Elect. Suggestions were made for At-Large positions.

10. Committees - how to simplify

The Executive Committee is interested in simplifying our list of committees and how they function. This is a larger, on-going discussion and will be addressed in more detail in the future.

11. Student Chapters

Chair Ken Schriver will work with Past Chair Andrew Baggett on contacting student chapters and getting them more involved in Section activities.

12. Other Items

- Past Pauling Medal Awardee Geri Richmond (Oregon State University) recently spoke at Lewis and Clark College and should be considered for local Section events.
- The OSTA (Oregon Science Teachers Association) conference is being held October 14th. Portland Section will have a vendor table and three Section Members are scheduled to attend.
- Several Portland Section Members participated in the OMSI Extravaganza (September 16th-17th). A huge thank you to Jim Tung and to the volunteers who helped.
- The Section will recognize long-term Section members at our December meeting.

Adjourn: 8:06

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