ACS Portland Section EC Meeting Minutes

September 7th, 2023, Zoom and Ken Schriver Home

Attendees:

Ken Schriver Home: Ken Schriver, Robin Terjeson

Zoom: Hannah Boxberger, Andrew Baggett, Marcie Merritt, Kathy Carrigan, Martha Dibblee,

Bernie Carlsen

Commence: 6:04pm

1. Dunne Symposium, September 23rd

Symposium dinner reservation deadline has been extended until Sunday night September 10.

2. October Dinner Meeting, October 12th

The speaker for the October meeting will be Juan Carlos Ramos, Hewlett Packard, Corvallis (Chemistry Diversity Speakers Bureau) presenting a talk on 3D chemistry. Portland ACS will pay for the speaker's lodging and transportation.

3. Other upcoming Section activities

a. OMSI Extravaganza, September 16th and 17th

Jim Tung is lead in this event. Volunteers should call Jim to make arrangements to help at the Portland ACS table. Deadline is September 14th.

b. National Chemistry Week, October 12th through 21st

Dr. Beth Morton is lead for 2023 National Chemistry Week-end events. Chair-Elect Ken Schriver will coordinate with Dr Morton in case she needs information or support.

 National Diversity in STEM (NDISTEM) Conference (by the Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics & Native Americans in Science (SACNAS)), October 26th through 28th

Marcie Merritt is lead for this event, supported by the National ACS office, which provides funding. There will be a Women in Chemistry event and a Symposium sponsored by ACS. ACS will advise if volunteers are be needed.

d. Oregon Science Teachers Association (OSTA) Conference, October 14th

Bernie Carlsen is lead for this event. Portland ACS will host a table at the upcoming OSTA Conference at Gresham High School this year.

e. Pauling Medal Award Symposium

Puget Sound Section hosts the 2023 Pauling Medal Award Symposium Saturday November 4th, with a private dinner on the 3rd. Two representatives from the Portland Section will attend the private dinner. Portland ACS representatives will be announced at the October Executive Committee meeting.

f. Upcoming Northwest Regional Meetings (NORMs)

NORM 2024 will be held at Washington State University in Pullman WA June 23rd through 26th. NORM 2026 does not yet have a sponsor.

4. Treasurer Report

There was no Treasurer report but Treasurer Robin Terjeson will present an overview of the Section budget at the October meeting.

5. Nominations for 2024 Officers

Jim Tung and Marcie Merritt are seeking re-election in 2024, for Councilor and Alternate Councilor, respectively. The Section seeks Chair-Elect candidates versed in industrial chemistry. There was discussion about the role of Member At-Large. The Executive Committee currently includes one Member At Large, Wilbes Mbiya.

6. Discussion of bylaws revision committee

The Section relies on guidance from Bylaws but Section activities are not completely aligned with them. Bylaws will be discussed at the 2024 summer Corporate planning meeting.

Adjourn: 7:11pm