ACS Portland Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, June 10, 2023 and Corporate Summer Meeting

Attendees: Jim Tung, Martha Dibblee, Robin Terjeson, Bernie Carlson, Marcie Merritt, Andrew Baggett, Arthur Glasfeld, Ken Schriver, Hannah Boxberger

Commence: 12:30pm

1. Upcoming ACS Regional/National meetings

The Executive committee voted to permanently fund one person each to attend the spring and fall ACS National Meeting and the summer Northwest Regional Meeting (NORM). Future meeting dates were discussed

2. Increasing high school teacher and student attendance at Portland Section Dinner Meetings

Chair Glasfeld wrote a letter to Portland Public Schools seeking advise in contacting educators who teach chemistry and who would use ACS resources. There was extensive discussion about perks to entice students and teachers to attend ACS dinner meetings. The Section will monitor reduced-cost dinners for a few months to see if this improves their attendance.

A major question emerged in the attendance discussion that involved how best to communicate with local schools. This question is not resolved.

The Dunne Symposium is planned for September 23rd at Reed College. It serves as an outreach effort by Reed and the Portland Section for high school and college students as well as the general public.

3. Chair stepping down

Chair Glasfeld will be stepping down as Chair on September 1st, 2023. Chair-Elect Ken Schriver will be taking over as Chair.

4. September dinner meeting

The Thursday September 14 dinner meeting will recognize 25, 40, 50, 60, and 70-year members. At this meeting the slate of election candidates for 2024 will be announced.

5. 2023 Elections

There are three open positions to be filled this year: Councilor 2, Alternate Councilor 2, and Chair-Elect. A call for nominations will be sent to the Section Membership on August 15th.

6. Treasurer discussions

There was an extensive discussion about the role of the Portland Section Treasurer. The Executive Committee will review the Treasurer's procedures in the upcoming months.

7. Bylaws Update

The EC began discussion about changes to bylaws.

8. ACS Portland Section Calendar of Events

Secretary Hannah Boxberger has been compiling a Calendar of Events for the Section that will help newer EC members understand the roles of the Section.

9. Oregon Science Fair and Expo at OMSI September 16-17

Portland ACS Executive Committee will host a table and represent the Portland Section.

10. Awards

Portland Section has been invited to both the ACS Local Section Showcase and this year's ChemLuminary Awards Ceremony. Marcie Merritt will attend both events and present a poster detailing the accomplishments of the Portland Section.

Adjourn: 2:35