

Date: 07/13/2024

Time: 9:30-10:30 am

Location: *To be held digitally using Zoom Meeting*



Attendees: Van Quach, Darlene Slattery, Stephen Smith, D K Weerasinghe, Laura Sessions, Pavithra Pathirathna, Nicole Lapeyrouse, Michel Johnson, Nasri Nesnas, Brian Mosby

Minutes:

- Approve minutes from May 2024 minutes.
 - Will be done during the next meeting or via email chain.
- Update from Councilor (Darlene)
 - Will attend the ACS National Meeting in Denver in August.
 - Donated to a FAME award, resulting in a total of 7 awards being given out by the section.
 - Was invited to serve on the SERMACS award committee.
 - Suggested Denisia nominates the Orlando Science Center for the Partners in Progress and Prosperity award.
 - Encouraged attendance at the LSA grants webinars.
 - Made a motion to send both students who applied for the travel award to the National ACS meeting in Denver, awarding each \$500. The motion was seconded by Nicole and approved unanimously.
- Update from Councilor (Laura)
 - Will attend the Fall Meeting.
 - Suggested holding a general membership meeting in the Fall with an invited speaker. It was decided to schedule it for the morning of the second Saturday in September.
 - Nicole suggested having student posters if a speaker is unavailable, allowing students to discuss their research and make connections.
 - Michel suggested hosting the meeting at a university to increase student and faculty attendance. He will contact Bill to see if he can attend as the invited speaker.
 - Laura made a motion to allocate [REDACTED] ([REDACTED] for honorarium, and [REDACTED] for refreshments) for the meeting. The motion was seconded by Darlene and approved unanimously.
- Update from Alternate Councilor (Michel)

- Encouraged sharing any good news for posting on Facebook.
 - Suggested starting to make plans to take advantage of the privileges of being an orange-level sponsor at SERMACS.
 - Suggested making plans to increase attendance and presenters at SERMACS.
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- Update from Treasurer (Van)
 - [REDACTED]
- Expenditures:
- 7 FAME awards.
 - Expenses for some magazines that Duy distributed and for his travel expenses for FAME.
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- Miscellaneous
 - Nicole Suggested continuing to update the membership on awards, National Chemistry Day events, etc., via emails.
 - Darlene suggested attending the SERMACS meeting next Saturday to support the organizing committee.
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- Meeting adjourned at 10.00 AM.