

ACS Orlando Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

January 18th, 2025 at 9:30 AM

Location: *To be held digitally using Microsoft Teams*

Attendees: "Brian Mosby" BMOSBY@Rollins.edu; "Van Quach" <quachv@seminolestate.edu>; "Meghan McGreal" <mmcgreal@stetson.edu>; "Laura Sessions" <lsessions@valenciacollege.edu>; "Nicole Lapeyrouse" <Nicole.Lapeyrouse@ucf.edu>; "Stephen Smith" <stephensmith@fit.edu>; "Toufiq Reza" <treza@fit.edu>; "Darlene Slattery" <dslattery1@cfl.rr.com>; "dk" <01dkweerasinghe@gmail.com>

- Approve minutes from November 9th, 2024 of the ACS Orlando Section executive meeting
 - Delayed until February meeting
- Updates from Executive Committee's members
 - Councilor – Darlene
 - Motion to send Meghan to Leadership Institute
 - Will virtually attend Spring ACS meeting
 - Avogadro Award at State Science and Engineering Fair – DK will step in
 - Councilor – Laura
 - Will attend Spring ACS Meeting in Person
 - Budget approved at start and annual report filled out before February
 - Treasurer – Van
 - Spent money on Banquet – [REDACTED] on awards, [REDACTED] poem contest, lunch [REDACTED], collected [REDACTED] from attendees, some spent on décor
 - Add Brian to bank account and remove previous inactive users
 - Chair – Brian
- Appointment of committees
 - Awards – Laura accepted
 - National Chemistry Week – Recommended to ask Denisia. Brian will reach out via email.
 - Earth day – Stephen is willing to continue
 - Webmaster – Duy is willing to continue
 - Chemistry Olympiad – Mary is thought to desire to continue. Concern about the deadline being past. Brian and Stephen will look into it.
 - YCC – Young Chemists Committee needs to be rejuvenated. Looking for undergraduates, graduates, postdocs, and young chemist in general. There is no longer an age restriction on the requirement. Toufiq, Meghan, and Brian will discuss with their students. Forward interested individuals either in leading the committee or participating to Brian in order to get a list going for the new committee leader.
- Travel and presentation awards
 - Students to travel to national ACS Meeting and present research
 - Funds are in the proposed budget
 - Motion proposed by Darlene and passed to reserve one Undergraduate award for Spring and one for Fall
- Local Section Social Events
 - Regular schedule of events laid out from the beginning, see additional documents
 - Disney sustainability program discussed

- Body approves of the idea of regular gatherings and the listed events. A communication will be sent out to the local section describing the upcoming events.
- Annual report
 - Stephen will handle the report and submit by the February deadline.
- Luminary Award Nomination
 - Deadline – follows with submitting annual report
- 2025 Budget
 - Changes from the 2024 budget were outlined by Brian
 - Recommendations were made concerning the budget
 - [REDACTED] for SERMACS was removed
 - Summer Social increased to [REDACTED]
 - Councilor travel is provided by ACS but was left in the budget as a buffer.
 - Leadership Institute travel increased to [REDACTED]
 - Website increased to [REDACTED]
 - The budget with the changes recommended by the executive committee was approved
- SERMACS 2025
 - Deadline for annual award submissions quicky so don't spend all sept and oct trying to contact them
- Other business
- Next meeting: February 8th, 2025 from 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM