

ACS Orlando Section Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

February 8th, 2025 at 9:30 AM

Meeting called by Brian Mosby

Meeting Attendees: Brian Mosby, DK, Darlene, Laura Sessions, Van Quach, Stephen Smith, Denisia Popolan-Vaida, Toufiq Reza, Duy Le, Meghan McGreal

- Brian Called meeting to order
- Brian made motion to approve minutes from November 9th, 2024, approved
- Brian made motion to approve minutes from January 18, 2025, approved with following change
 - Laura made motion to add specific amounts to graduate and undergraduate award (██████ per award per fall and spring meeting) - Approved
- Updates from Executive Committee's members
 - Councilor – Darlene
 - Met with publisher from C&EN news – once a month beginning in August, make sure gets added to website and Facebook page to inform members
 - Councilor – Laura
 - Ask: Michel serving as FB/social media poster, Meghan will take on social media posting since Michel is doing SERMACs
 - Treasurer – Van
 - ██████ mailing certificates and stamps
 - 2 travel awards given
 - ██████ from southern section for Avogadro award, two more sections voting on donations for award
 - Chair – Brian
- Appointment of committees
 - Awards – Laura Sessions
 - National Chemistry Week -Denisia Popolan-Vaida
 - Earth day – Stephen Smith
 - Webmaster - Duy Le
 - Chemistry Olympiad - Mary Roslonowski
 - YCC – forward names of interested students to Brian
- YCC Engagement – some kind of in person event to get people in the same room to get to know each other to get some momentum, Toufiq, Meghan, and Brian have students interested

- Normally had general meet ups, maybe had a speaker, had social hours, had online seminars via zoom during covid, had some events at FAME, wrote a few reports
- Brian try to get some people to talk about career pathways, etc. Propose something more concrete
- Meghan proposed doing some kind of front porch event like the Indianapolis National Meeting
- Awards Procedures and Committee - Laura
 - Ask to approve timeline from the exec committee
 - 2 travel awards given [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
 - Make motion to add more grant money for SERMACs when registration is posted
 - Awards chair would recruit committee members and propose committee to be approved
 - Darlene and DK approved
 - Yulia at UCF
 - Pavi from FIT
 - Laura as Chair
 - Award acceptances sent out for annual awards by October 31st to communicate with awardees to give all info about banquet
 - Darlene motions to approve award timeline established, motion approved
- Local Section Sign for events for National Chemistry Week, rollup banner, [REDACTED], add sign to minutes each month to keep track of where banner is or make google drive sign in document suggested by Denisia
 - Darlene made a motion to get new banner as suggested by Laura, motion approved
- Chemists Celebrate Earth Week – in April 18th at Lake Eola Park
 - Stephen – everything set up for location, getting announcement circulated
 - Poem Contest
 - Darlene made motion to support poem contest again this year, motion approved
 - Magazine Distribution –
 - 5 bundles in English, 3 bundles in Spanish free as coordinator
 - Not yet available for 2025, will be available after spring meeting
 - Projection of cost based on prior year
 - Duy need 2500-3000 copies, cost [REDACTED] for shipping for last couple years
 - Darlene motion to approve [REDACTED] to purchase magazines to distribute to the libraries, motion approved
 - Earth Day Event
 - Need volunteers for event for any amount of time
 - Chemistry of Glaciers event theme, **Glaciers: Hot Topic, Cool Chemistry!**
 - Need volunteers organized in advance for background check, so need sign ups at least 30 days in advance unless volunteered for NCW, will need to upload proof
 - Denisia used Qualtrics form & suggests using it for this event
 - Denisia will send names of people who completed the background check to Stephen
- Travel and presentation awards – see above

- Orlando Wetlands Event
 - 9:45am-approx 12pm next week
 - Will announce March event – boat ride March 15th, 11-2pm, sent to Duy and Meghan to post. Need to register on website and email Laura to get tables together
- Out of meeting business
 - Need to vote on something outside of meeting, Brian will post vote link to record vote and Meghan will append it to the previous meeting minutes
 - Van made motion to add Michel on Paypal for SERMACs, motion approved
- SERMACS 2025
 - FYI Darlene sent info to Chris and Vasilius. ACS would like to do round table on industrial chemistry – leaving to ACS to handle
- Other business
 - Laura will be back up minute taker for Meghan since she will be on a cruise
- Next meeting: March 8th, 2025 from 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
- Darlene made motion to dismiss meeting