ACS HURON VALLEY SECTION

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

April 5, 2018

Location: Ypsi Ale House, Ypsilanti, MI

Present Anaya, Contis, Hall, Kolopajlo, Lindsay, Lynam, Powers, Tornquist

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting opened at 5.46 pm.

**2. March Minutes**

The March 2018 meeting minutes were approved.

**3.** **Communications from the Chair (Harriet)**

* 2017 Annual Report -Harriet reported that it is complete and will be submitted soon.
* 2021 CERM Planning

Wade and Harriet met with Doug and Dennis at the Ann Arbor Visitors and Convention Bureau to initiate the planning process. The meeting will most likely be held during the second week of June. Three hotels in downtown Ann Arbor and a fourth on Plymouth Road will be utilized for attendees (350-1000). A venue at the University of Michigan will be used for the technical program. Social events (ice cream social, event at Zingermans) are also planned.

* Harriet indicated that she had received information regarding strategic planning options for the local section. A discussion followed and it was decided to examine the membership roster with a view to reaching out to and increasing participation by members from Washtenaw Community College, industry, startups and high school chemistry teachers in the hopes that new leadership will emerge to lead the section into the future.
* Harriet provided further details on the request for scholarship funds for the 2018 EMU Summer Science Research Program for High School Students. The committee agreed to fund up to four students who qualify for free or reduced lunch at their school.
* We have several members celebrating 50+ years of service. Mary and Paul will post announcements on our web and facebook sites. Certificates will be mailed to the recipients.

**4. Communication from Secretary (Mary)**

* Mary reported on continued positive engagement of members with our facebook page.

**5. Communications from Treasurer (Wade)**

* This was tabled due to time constraints

**6. Communications from Councilors (Nina and Harriet)**

* This was tabled due to time constraints.

**7. Communications from Student Chapters (Natalia and Ryan)**

* EMU – Natalia indicated that the chemistry club continues to offer tutoring. It is also collaborating on an activity with the EMU Fermentation Club to bring Ron Pattison to campus on April 25th, 2018. Ron, a beer historian, will speak about 18th century brewing.
* UM –.Ryan indicated that there will be two additional seminar speakers on May 2nd and May 29th. Elections for a new slate of officers for the POLY/PMSE chapter will be taking place soon.

**8. Communications from Outreach/Events**

* Larry will run the Chem Olympiad on Friday, April 20th. He requested funding of $1250 in relation to this event.
* Earth Day at Leslie Science Center, April 22nd 2018

We have a table and swag for the day. Ryan will mobilize volunteers.

* Harriet received a request for $600 in funds to aid in the purchase of tee shirts for the 2nd March for Science to be held on April 14th. The committee did not approve this request.

**9. Open/New Topics**

* Due to time limitations we were not able to fully discuss how the section can assist out-of-work members. We will discuss this at our next meeting.
* It was agreed that Ypsi Ale House is a suitable (quieter) venue for a future meeting.
* The meeting adjourned at 7 pm.