



North Carolina Local Section Administration Form 2014

Local Section Administration Form - Governance	
1. How many times did the executive committee conduct governance business during 2014?*	11
2. How many members were there in the executive committee during 2014?*	18
3. How did the executive committee communicate with one another during 2014?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Email <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Teleconference <input type="checkbox"/> ACS Network <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other - in person, internet
4. What percentage of your councilors were in official attendance at the Spring and Fall ACS Council meetings?*	100%
5. Did a member of your local section attend the Local Section Leaders Track at the 2014 ACS Leadership Institute?*	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
6. Did your local section have a succession and/or leadership development plan during 2014?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
7. How did your local section identify future leaders and get them into the leadership pipeline during 2014?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self-nomination <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation or advertising <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Identify active committee members <input type="checkbox"/> Formal leadership training <input type="checkbox"/> Long term plan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Outreach to new members <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arm-twisting <input type="checkbox"/> Other -
8. Did your local section conduct an officer election during 2014? *	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
9. Did your local section conduct its elections electronically during 2014?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
10. How many members voted in your local section officer election in 2014?*	263

Questions 11-13 provide the opportunity for your section's leadership to communicate successes, challenges, goals, and progress towards meeting those goals. We want to hear from you! Please use the required comment boxes to share your thoughts about your section. In questions 12 and 13, do not feel limited by having spaces indicated for the top three goals. Other goals can be added in the comment box if needed.

11. 2014 Chair's report: Please provide a narrative of the past year's activity/successes/challenges:*

In 2014, the NC-ACS continued its long tradition of combining both social events with community outreach. Our members enjoyed many fun events like the Durham Bulls baseball game and a Science Café on the Chemistry of Coffee. In addition to the social events for the membership at large, the Women's Chemist Committee and Senior Chemist Committee were very busy with events throughout 2014. The NC-ACS WCC and SCC planned events open to the membership at large that were both social and networking themed. The WCC also provided professional outreach to the NC-ACS and Triangle area. The NC-ACS also supported local Discussion Groups and their activities such as the Triangle Area Nuclear Magnetic Resonance, the Soft Matter Discussion Group, the Triangle Chromatography Group, and the Triangle Area Mass Spectrometry Discussion Group. These groups hosted poster sessions, conferences, networking events, and vendor nights.

NC-ACS members were champions of science at the Chemistry Olympiad, Eno River Festival, La Fiesta del Pueblo, and the NC State Fair. Our outreach efforts reached thousands of local area students and adults. Our 128th Local Section Meeting was highly successful and celebrated the accomplishments of students and professionals in our area. Our community outreach and community awareness continues to grow every year. The tabling events that are spearheaded by EC members and volunteered at by members and guests alike are getting the NC-ACS name out to the community while also encouraging children and adults to like science. Another continued success for the NC-ACS is the success and support of Project SEED. In 2014, the NC-ACS had 4 SEED I students and 1 SEED II students. The returning SEED II student is a tremendous young man who has flourished in the Project SEED program working for a member of the Executive Committee of the NC-ACS. In 2014, we had matching funds from two organizations in the Triangle area allowing us to not only support students but also to provide a liaison for the students who helped them prepare for events where they showcased their research from the summer.

In addition to these activities, the NC-ACS spearheaded our first annual Illustrated Poem Contest, which had entries from several GK-12 students in the area. We were able to present the winner of the Local Illustrated Poem Contest with their award at the Local Section Conference giving additional recognition to the student and the contest. Through efforts of our Past-Chair, Melissa Pasquinelli, a partnership with the North Carolina Science Olympiad was created to develop exam questions centered around green chemistry and climate science and to help provide volunteers for the exam sessions.

For the first time in several years, we had two Younger Chemist Committee events planned which is a revitalization of this group. We plan to continue this with events in 2015. One of the major successes of 2014 was the creation and leadership of the Education Committee. This group was recreated under the leadership of several EC members, which is hugely exciting as a goal of the section is to support and work with GK-12 teachers. We met with Wake County Administration, Teachers, and other GK-12 support groups. The Executive Committee also laid the ground work for a project in 2015 to support the AATC.

Our Annual Banquet and Volunteer Appreciation Dinner recognized 90 individuals for all their work in 2014, and this was not even all of the NC-ACS members and guests who helped us have such an amazing year.

The biggest challenge for the NC-ACS Local Section is maintaining and growing involvement of the section members by motivating the member base. The list of members is so much larger than actual participation. Finding a way to entice members to make the jump into active involvement would be a tremendous accomplishment. Our section made headway toward this with events in 2014 brought out members who had not previously been active in NC-ACS activities. The NC-ACS also needs to increase its recognition as an active, fun, and successful professional society. The Triangle is full of

	<p>potential ACS members, so we need to increase our marketing so people see what all they could do and accomplish being a member of the NC-ACS. In addition to growing the membership base of the NC-ACS, the local section also needs to increase the number of members involved in planning and leading the section. Having a larger number of event planners that would distribute the work involved in planning events would prevent leadership fatigue. This in turn would encourage even more participation, because it wouldn't put too much on any one person. Having a more diverse leadership committee would provide new ideas as well as give many options for all the leadership positions. A contact influx of leaders decrease chances of leader fatigue as has been seen in the past when we've had disappearing past chairs.</p> <p>Two other challenges for the NC-ACS is getting more industrial members and GK-12 teachers involved. Industrial members could provide sponsorship options for outreach activities as well as event/meeting locations that are more central to the section as a whole. Improving connections with K-12 teachers would be a tremendous help for our efforts in K-12 outreach. We hope to continue the work to grow and sustain the Education Committee to make connections with K-12 teachers who would like to utilize the ACS in their classrooms. The successes in 2014 in regards to reaching out to both industry sponsorships as well as to GK-12 teachers through the Education Committee will be built upon in 2015.</p>
12. 2015 Chair's goals for the Section	
a. Please list your top 3 goals:	Increase participation of industry members and recruit industry representation to be in the EC.
	Attract young scientists to join the NC-ACS section events and lead YCC events.
	Increase visibility of NC-ACS local section in the community through targeted outreach activities.
b. What are your concerns and challenges?*	<p>NC-ACS Local Section storied history. Representation in the NC ACS local section has come from the local universities and non-profit scientific organizations. While the local section holds its executive committee meeting at the heart of a 'silicon-hub' in the Research Triangle Park, it has been unsuccessful in attracting industry members. I see this being a major concern for the long term success of the Local Section and the sustainability of the Local Section led activities. Participation of our members from the industry is very important and we hope to change that by attracting industry members to join the executive committee.</p> <p>In addition to a number of biotechnology firms and chemical companies, in this area of NC we have three major universities. Despite these available resources, we have not been able to have a sustained YCC leadership. We certainly need to change this trend and recruit young members who can be groomed to be the leaders of the future.</p> <p>There is a wealth of knowledge and wisdom that resides in our section's senior leadership. I see the need to develop a young leadership development plan at the local section level to transfer this knowledge to the younger generation. This will be very important to the sustainability of the ongoing local section events and outreach activities.</p>
13. 2015 Chair-Elect's goals for the Section	
a. Please list your top 3 goals:	Continue efforts to increase high school teacher membership in ACS aiming for 5% increase this year.
	Join in the Chair in efforts to recruit at least two representatives from industry to the EC.
	Submit a grant proposal for a new event co-organized with the Eastern North Carolina local section.

<p>b. What are your concerns and challenges?*</p>	<p>The NC section has a strong history of well-organized governance, outreach events for the community, and numerous events for member participation. We need to continue in building alliance with local K-12 teachers, revitalize connections with more chemists who work in industry, and facilitate interactions between young chemists at the various colleges and universities in our local section.</p> <p>First and foremost, this year has seen a tremendous push to improve outreach to our sections high school teachers and efforts to increase membership among this group. Although the dues may seem moderate or even low to some, NC high school teachers are among the lowest paid in the nation, and we need to be sure that we are providing value to them through out local section efforts. Avenues where this needs to continue and expand include the professional development training that has it's roots in Wake County through efforts to EC member Laura Sremaniak and ACS member Jim Martin. Ideas for improving this network of teachers and gradual and sustainable expansion in surrounding counties and especially more rural areas need an expanded number of volunteers. Also, teachers may see value in improving not only their technical knowledge, but also other professional skills such as those practiced through ACS national programs such as COACh. Bringing more of these workshops to the local section is a challenge, but I plan to attend the "COAChing the COAChes" event at the Boston ACS meeting in the fall to gain skill in that area.</p> <p>Another concern is the recent relative lack of participation in local section governance by members of industry. There has always been a strong representation of local educators and non-profit sector employees on the EC, but industrial members have been more likely to participate via events and the discussion group meetings. We need to improve the representation from industry on the EC, which should in turn lead to more events relevant to industrial chemists. Also, we used to have some awards sponsored by local companies. Most of these disappeared either before or during the 2009-2010 economic downturn, and many of the industrial contacts who used to be champions for these have retired. Now that the economy is better, it will be a challenge to find new industrial chemists who are willing to lobby their company to sponsor awards and events.</p> <p>Finally, our section is home to three R1 universities and numerous smaller schools. Students and post-docs tend to stay at events that are held in their own venue rather than branching out to events at other locations. This represents a challenge. We aim to sponsor events at neutral that will be attractive for students from all schools, and through this we aim to recruit more active involvement in the local sections YCC group.</p>
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Local Section Administration Form - Organization

<p>1. Did your local section have any active committees with two or more members during 2014?*</p>	<p><input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No</p>																																				
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2. How many subsections were active in your local section during 2014?*	1
3. How many subsection meetings were held by your local section during 2014?*	4
4. How many topical groups were active in your local section during 2014?*	5
5. How many topical group meetings were held in your local section during 2014?*	17
6. Did your local section support (financial or otherwise) an existing Technician Affiliate Group (TAG) during 2014?*	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
7. How many dues-paying affiliate members were in your local section during 2014?*	2109
8. What was the approximate number of active volunteers in your local section during 2014?*	400
9. Please estimate the number of new volunteers in your local section during 2014?*	100
10. Please indicate all the ways that your local section recognized volunteers during 2014.* (Check all that apply.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Certificates <input type="checkbox"/> Awards <input type="checkbox"/> Letter to volunteer supervisor <input type="checkbox"/> Letter to volunteer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recognition at an event <input type="checkbox"/> Recognition on web <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recognition in newsletter <input type="checkbox"/> Other -

Local Section Administration Form - Communications

1. How many local section meetings were held during 2014?*	45
2. On average, how many members attended a local section meeting during 2014?*	100
3. How did Councilors report to your local section members about national ACS matters during 2014?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At a section meeting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At an executive committee meeting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In the newsletter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On the local section web site <input type="checkbox"/> Other -
4. Did your local section have a representative on your Regional Meeting Board or Steering Committee during 2014?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
5. How does the sections leadership communicate information to its members?*	Website, email listservs, Facebook, LinkedIN, newsletters, personalized/targeted emails
5a How Often do these communications occur:	
5a1 Number of newsletters published:*	4

5a2 Number of meeting notices:*	85
6. Did your local section have a website during 2014?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
6a. If the answer to 7 (above question) is YES, what was the URL for your local section's website?	http://ncacs.sites.acs.org/
7. Did your local section post its Annual Report on your website during 2014?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

Local Section Administration Form - Nomination

1. Our Section would like to self-nominate for the Local Section Outstanding Performance Award.*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
2. Please provide a summary self-nomination statement of 500-word or less. The summary statement should highlight local section's 2014 activities to support your nomination.	<p>The NC-ACS Local Section continued its tradition of offering members events that provide professional development and social networking as well as reaching out and supporting the larger Triangle area chemical science community. We are proud of the large number of volunteers (both members and nonmembers) that helped us with activities this year, as well as the significant number of community members that we've reached and impacted through our outreach activities. In 2014, we organized outreach events that involved over 250 volunteers and connected with over 70,000 people in our region! We also partnered with over 20 companies, K-12 schools, universities, and nonprofit and governmental institutions to carry out our activities. Our social and professional events have brought out a greater diversity of members, including those with families, senior chemists, and minorities (especially underserved Hispanics). We continued our ANNUAL events such as social membership growth/retention events, the 128th Local Section Conference, North Carolina State Fair Booth, Project SEED, the Chemistry Olympiad, Undergraduate Research Scholarships, poster presentation awards to students, Distinguished Lecturer Award, Marcus Hobbs Service Award, supporting nominations for the 2 ACS Fellows selected, hosting an annual Volunteer Recognition Banquet, and financially supporting active topical groups and committees. The NC-ACS championed multiple outreach activities such as the Triangle SciTech Expo, La Fiesta del Pueblo, and Festival for the Eno. NEW ACTIVITIES to reach other constituents and people in the community included the Chemistry of Coffee National ACS Lecture event, the collaboration with the TriMR Discussion Group to feature NMR of Hops and Beer, the Illustrated Poetry Contest, and our involvement with the Triangle SciTech Expo. The 2013 Climate Science Grant was fully implemented in 2014 with the NC Science Olympiad 'Green Generation' activity. The NC-ACS partnered with the NC Science Olympiad program to provide resources, volunteers, and expertise to develop and run their 'Green Generation' high school event covering topics on the human impacts on the environment and green chemistry initiatives. In 2014, the NC-ACS also had success reinventing two committees that had previously struggled to service the section and their mission. The Long Range Planning Committee was formed to advise the budgeting process. Another huge accomplishment was the formation and activities of the Education Committee. The committee efforts established a foothold into the Wake County School System as well as a project plan for applying for an ACS Nano-Grant. NC-ACS is financially strong and the Long Range Planning Committee's work will allow us to ensure the budget supports not only our membership base but also our local community. In addition to our annual allotments, we have over \$80K in long term savings with the income provided by hosting the SERMACS 2012. Our annual budget is around \$60K, and we continued to supplement our income with ACS grants, donations towards our SEED program (\$1,250 in 2014), in-kind donations from partners, and sponsorships from local industries. In 2014, our efforts showed an outstanding performance for a Local Section, which we feel earned the NC-ACS a LS Outstanding Performance (OP) ChemLuminary Award.</p>

Local Section Administration Form - Supporting Materials

File Name	File Size	Brief Description
State Fair Write up.pdf	0.2 MB	2014 NC State Fair Report

ChemTube Announcement Winners.pdf	0.08 MB	2014 ChemTube
Photochem Sponsorship.pdf	0.2 MB	NC-ACS Supports Local Conferences
NCSTA and WCC TarHelium.pdf	0.11 MB	NC-ACS WCC Great Activities
Illustrated Poetry Contest.pdf	0.5 MB	Inaugural Illustrated Poetry Contest
Exhibit State Fair Statistics.pdf	0.34 MB	NC-ACS State Fair Statistics!
TAMS Vendor Poster Night.pdf	0.61 MB	NC-ACS Supports Discussion Groups
NCSTA Invitation to Exhibit.pdf	0.57 MB	NC-ACS Education Committee Activity
Fellows 2014.pdf	0.1 MB	NC-ACS Supports ACS Fellows
La Fiesta Write up Tarhelium.pdf	0.14 MB	NC-ACS Supports Under served Communities
Project SEED Tarhelium_3.pdf	0.08 MB	Project SEED Communications
BioMetals Advertisement_Sponsorship.pdf	2.24 MB	NC-ACS Supports Local Conferences
BioMetals_Eno Festival TH.pdf	0.22 MB	NC-ACS Support and Outreach Activity
Project SEED Tarhelium_2.pdf	0.12 MB	Project SEED Communications
WCC_Networking TarHelium.pdf	0.21 MB	WCC Supports the NC-ACS Members
Project SEED Tarhelium.pdf	0.1 MB	Project SEED Communications
Science Olympiad TarHelium.pdf	0.07 MB	Science Olympiad New NC-ACS Achievement
Pages from V44_I4_Distinguished Lecturer.pdf	0.13 MB	NC-ACS 2014 Distinguished Lecture Award
SEED 2014 Report.docx	0.83 MB	Project SEED Report
Pages from V45_I1_Bulls Writeup.pdf	0.06 MB	NC-ACS Membership Activities
Syngenta Senior Chemists Event.pdf	0.05 MB	SCC Supports the NC-ACS Members
Beer and Chemistry Science Cafe.pdf	1.02 MB	NC-ACS and TriMR Collaboration
GameofLife_flyer.pdf	1.77 MB	WCC Supports the NC-ACS Members
WIBWCC2014HolidayParty.pdf	0.26 MB	WCC Supports the NC-ACS Members
TriMR-2014-report.docx	0.01 MB	TriMR DG Final Report
TAMS_Final_Report_2014_final.doc	0.11 MB	TAMS DG Final Report
TCDG President Report 2014.docx	0.01 MB	TCDG Final Report
NCSO_Science Olympiad.pdf	3.5 MB	NC-ACS Science Olympiad Recognition
Chem Coffee Write up.pdf	0.23 MB	NC-ACS Membership Activities
SCC Maple View Visit Report.pdf	0.05 MB	SCC Supports the NC-ACS Members
SCC-NCMA report.pdf	0.05 MB	SCC Supports the NC-ACS Members
StateFair2014pictures.pdf	1.91 MB	NC-ACS State Fair Activity
NCACS YCC Event.pdf	0.12 MB	YCC Supports the Membership

Local Section Administration Form - Approval

Comments

Great job putting together such a comprehensive annual report!

Approved & Submit for Review

Melissa Pasquinelli

02/15/2015

This form has been submitted for your approval. Please review each tab for completeness and accuracy, make any necessary edits, and save all changes before approving this form. After the form is approved, it will be submitted for review. The approved form will be placed in read only mode and no additional edits will be allowed. Your approval will submit this form as part of your official annual report to ACS.

Local Section Administration Form - Reasons for Return

Approver Return Comments

Contributor Return Comments

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