



Executive Board Meeting January 21, 2017  
University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA  
Integrated Sciences Building, 10:00 am

## Minutes

### Attending:

Ellen Anderson, Marisa Blauvelt, Dave Damon (visiting from Pfizer), Sourav Chakraborty, Donna Dilullo, Ed Fitzgerald, Neil Glagovich, Kevin Kittilstved, Michael Knapp, David Myers, Sharon Palmer, Mark Peczuh, Jürgen Renze, Julie Smist, Frank Torre

#### 1. Seating of the new Executive Board – 2017

**Motion:** To seat the 2017 Executive Board members of the CT Valley Section of the ACS.

**Motion passed**

#### 2. Approval of the minutes of the November 2016 EB meeting

**Motion:** To approve the minutes of the November meeting.

**Motion passed.**

#### 3. Approval of the 2016 Annual Financial Report (attached)

**Motion:** To approve financial report.

**Motion passed.**

#### 4. Presentation and Discussion of 2017 Budget (attached)

**Motion:** To approve 2017 Budget.

• Notes on the budget.

*Reductions:*

Travel for counselors reduced (four counselors now instead of five now)

*Increases:*

Education (Olympiad) to \$6,500 because of increased cost from hosts (UConn, UMass)

Undergrad Symposium increased food cost.

*New:*

Undergrad Travel (\$1,000, 2x\$250 twice/year) to accompany Grad Travel Program.

**Motion passed.**

*Aside on Budget:* Mark Peczuh requested that the local section pay for a background check for compliance for the Olympiad. There was general agreement and consent to proceed.

#### 5. Programming 2017 Discussion

*February 21* - Program in a Box Webinar “The Chemistry of Sports” – Julie Smist reported that they will be hosting it at Springfield College.

*March 14 and 16* - Chemistry Olympiad – Ed Fitzgerald reported that things are on schedule. Volunteers are ALWAYS welcomed. We need help!

*April 22* - Undergrad Research Symposium at UConn – Mark Peczuh reported that things are on schedule. Michael Hren of UConn Chemistry is keynote.

*Aside Discussion on URS:* David Myers asked on behalf of judging committee that students should declare whether they want to be considered for the poster prize in a similar way that students declare for the oral presentations. It will simply be the poster judging the day of the symposium. There was general agreement and consent to proceed.

*May* – Lunch Meeting – This is to replace the May Dinner Meeting and is targeted

*June/July* – Yard Goats Baseball Game.

*September* – Pfizer Organic Chemistry Symposium

*October* – Allison Campbell 2017 ACS President, visit campuses and then dinner at the Hartford Club.

## 6. Old Business

### a. Find an Archivist

Edward Werner Cooke declared interest in being the archivist. Need to digitize Valchemists, etc. “Legendary Member” written works for The Chemist's Club.

### b. Public Relations Task Force

Tabled for the moment. Melissa King