

**Central PA Local Section
American Chemical Society**

**Executive Committee Meeting
Monday, June 4, 2018 @ 6:30 p.m.**

RSVPs: Lori Stepan, Will Ames, Kyle Root, Joe Houck, Santina Cruz, Cathy Hetrick

Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes from the April 2, 2018 ExComm Meeting; approved
3. General Business

A. Investment update (Howard from PNC investments)

\$10,000 investment commitment; 7 votes for, 1 neutral; we do have the money so we will invest it. Total of 8.4% return. Can pull the money out to cover travel awards or other costs. Should be enough in the checking account to last until the next ACS allotment, including the undergrad poster session catering. Cathy will proceed.

B. Chemistry of Wine Fundraiser report from April 24

Attendance was around 40 people, including 26 students, 17 regular members
profits were less because so many students attended at lower cost
ticket income was 250, paid the caterer 600
net income around 115 for fundraising. Reviews were good; it was fun.

Possible interest in repeating a wine/beer dinner; how can we increase interest?
Hold event at 7 Mountains Winery (larger space, more well known)
Hold event at a brewery or distillery
Dan Sykes could speak about forensics
Have a talk on Medical marijuana
We would need a license for serving beer and wine on our own

4. New Business

A. Student Affiliate Activities

- a. Kyle; Chem camp 5 hours with 22 4th and 5th graders, liq N₂ ice cream
- b. Juniata voted in new officers
- c. NCS voted in new officers

- d. SYTYCD did happen but without Juniata and Lockhaven; must plan early next year and set a date and timeline

B. Summer event: potluck picnic and/or pub trivia on June 14

Federal Taphouse was the only venue to respond; they say we must pay 50% of the food that we will eat, there is no fee to reserve the space, and we can have the tables by the window in the back (around 40 people). GSA (PSU Grad Student Association) will pay for appetizers, and the local section would pay for prizes for winners; 5 \$20 gift cards for first place team, or 5 \$10 gift cards for second place team. Teams are 3-5 random people, assigned by having a colored wrist band with a goal to meet new people. Possible prizes as element pins from ACS? Format could be any of several such as fill in the periodic table, tiebreaker, Jeopardy questions, guess number of Nobel laureates. Include pop culture, chemistry in movies, etc. Philadelphia local section has trivia questions on the national YCC website. Rules include no phones, Start time of 6:00 on Thursday, June 14.

C. Undergraduate Research Symposium Sept. 4; Willaman bridge is reserved, Joe will arrange with Dan what needs to be done as far as tripods, tables etc.

D. Other Business (Should we apply for an IPG??) Chemistry kits have been used by Joe and Linlin Jensen; must write a report to be eligible to apply for another award. After report can advertise. Science café mini-grant \$350 possible. Need a grants person in next election.

E. Project seed, PSU may support a grant, ACS would fund first year, then the other half must be funded by institution. \$1500 the first year, \$3000 the second. Pay high

school research scholarships with our local section investment money? The more we spend, the more we get from ACS?

- F. The dues for the local section are optional and included when membership gets renewed. Around \$10.
 - G. 2020 Whitmore lecture; solicit names, pay stipend up to \$2000.
 - H. 2024 Whitmore lecture will coincide with anniversary celebration; need to plan
5. Date of next Ex Comm meeting; week of August 5 or 12, Joe will send out a poll
 6. Closing