



Central Pennsylvania Local Section Administration Form 2014

Local Section Administration Form - Governance	
1. How many times did the executive committee conduct governance business during 2014?*	2
2. How many members were there in the executive committee during 2014?*	13
3. How did the executive committee communicate with one another during 2014?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> Teleconference <input type="checkbox"/> ACS Network <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other - Face-to-face meeting
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 checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input 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 checked="" 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 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?*	71

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.

<p>11. 2014 Chair's report: Please provide a narrative of the past year's activity/successes/challenges:*</p>	<p>Executive Meetings:</p> <p>4/8 Attendance: John Unger, Lori Van Der Sluys, Peter Baran, Cathy Hetrick, Frank Dorman, Jackie Whiting, Paul Schettler, Patrick Corrigan, Jackie Bortiatynski</p> <p>10/28/2014 Discussed Elections, nominations, Whitmore Lecture nomination Attendance: John Unger, Peter Baran, Paul Schettler, Cathy Hetrick, Jackie Whiting, Kevin Range, Lori Van Der Sluys, Jackie Bortiatynski</p> <p>Regular Local Section Meetings: 4/30 Meeting at the 7 Mountains Winery "From Uranium Minerals to Nanoscale Uranium-Oxo Clusters: An Evolution of Thought and Scale" Dr. Peter C. Burns, Henry Massman Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering and Earth Sciences Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry at the University of Notre Dame Attendance:50</p> <p>9/9/2014 4th Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium: 31 posters presented by Undergraduates from Penn State, Juniata College, Lock Haven University, and St. Francis University Location: Penn State University Attendance: 70</p> <p>10/16/2014 Exploring the Interactions of Ions, Peptides, and Proteins with Lipid Membranes Paul Cremer, Department of Chemistry and BMB, Penn State University, University Park, PA 16802 Location: Penn State University Attendance: 30</p> <p>Award Nominations: Roy Olofson, ACS Fellow nominated by Robert Minard and Kristen Yarmey</p> <p>Travel Awards Granted: Dixon Travel Awards given to: Penn State University-2 students traveled to Dallas, Spring 2014 meeting Juniata College-12 students traveled to Dallas, Spring 2014 meeting</p> <p>Challenges/Accomplishments: The major challenge is finding ways to engage people because everyone's schedules are so busy especially during the academic year. Research faculty are not excited to attend meetings because they have ample opportunities to go to research presentations and they focus their efforts on their area of research. The largest demographic of our membership in our local section are derived from the academic community. We were able to engage more undergraduates in our local section undergraduate research symposium. We were also able to engage more graduate students by inviting them to have stronger roles in our executive committee by leading committees. We are hoping that their participation will bring new energy and ideas.</p>
<p>12. 2015 Chair's goals for the Section</p>	
<p>a. Please list your top 3 goals:</p>	<p>Maintain or increase attendance at local section events.</p>
	<p>Increase involvement of local industrial partners.</p>
	<p>Involve local high-school instructors and students in locals section events.</p>
<p>b. What are your concerns and challenges?*</p>	<p>I am in my third year as an assistant professor at a teaching-intensive small college. The responsibilities of this position must be balanced with those of a local section chair. The stated goals above will not be simply addressed and will require time and a significant outreach effort to accomplish. Balancing different obligations will be a challenge.</p>
<p>13. 2015 Chair-Elect's goals for the Section</p>	

a. Please list your top 3 goals:	Promote greater interaction between the LHU, JC, and PSU student affiliate sections
	Promote greater interaction between the local section officers and the student affiliate sections
	Enhance public visibility of the local section and affiliates
b. What are your concerns and challenges?*	Winters, summers and busy schedules negatively impact the ability for more significant interactions between the member schools and with industry. This is a significant obstacle to overcome.

Local Section Administration Form - Organization

1. Did your local section have any active committees with two or more members during 2014?*	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
a. If the response to 1 (above question) is YES, please select the committee and enter the chair's name.	<input type="checkbox"/> Awards <input type="checkbox"/> Budget/Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Career assistance/Employment <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry Olympiad <input type="checkbox"/> Community Activities <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Education <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> EHS <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental <input type="checkbox"/> Government Affairs <input type="checkbox"/> Industry Relations <input type="checkbox"/> Long Range Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Membership/Membership Retention <input type="checkbox"/> Mentoring <input type="checkbox"/> Minority Affairs <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter/Publications <input type="checkbox"/> Nominations <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Relations <input type="checkbox"/> Project SEED <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Chemists <input type="checkbox"/> Women Chemists <input type="checkbox"/> Younger Chemists <input type="checkbox"/> Other
2. How many subsections were active in your local section during 2014?*	0
3. How many subsection meetings were held by your local section during 2014?*	0
4. How many topical groups were active in your local section during 2014?*	0
5. How many topical group meetings were held in your local section during 2014?*	0
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?*	527
8. What was the approximate number of active volunteers in your local section during 2014?*	2
9. Please estimate the number of new volunteers in your local section during 2014?*	0
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 type="checkbox"/> Recognition at an event <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recognition on web <input type="checkbox"/> Recognition in newsletter <input type="checkbox"/> Other -
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Local Section Administration Form - Communications

1. How many local section meetings were held during 2014?*	3
2. On average, how many members attended a local section meeting during 2014?*	60
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 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 type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
5. How does the sections leadership communicate information to its members?*	Announcements at meetings, email, website postings
5a How Often do these communications occur:	
5a1 Number of newsletters published:*	0
5a2 Number of meeting notices:*	3
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://centralpa.sites.acs.org/index.htm
7. Did your local section post its Annual Report on your website during 2014?*	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No

Local Section Administration Form - Nomination

1. Our Section would like to self-nominate for the Local Section Outstanding Performance Award.*	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" 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.	

Local Section Administration Form - Supporting Materials

File Name	File Size	Brief Description
ACSUndergradPostersFall 2014.pdf	0.62 MB	Undergraduate Research Poster Symposium

Local Section Administration Form - Approval

Comments

Our local section has traditionally had committees of only one member, and we have concentrated on having 3-4 meetings per year working around everyone's busy schedules. Our student affiliates are especially active this year, and we have 3 new committees to get more members involved (environment, graduate student relations, and local speakers). I am proud of our local section.

Approved & Submit for Review Lori Van Der Sluys 02/17/2015

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

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