

**ACS IL-IA Section
Executive Committee Meeting**

Thursday, April 2, 2015, 6:15 pm
Village Inn, Davenport

Members Present

Chair: J. J. Stratton
Past Chair:
Chair-Elect:
Councilor: Rick Rogers
Treasurer: Rich Craddick
Secretary/Webmaster: Amanda Wilmsmeyer

The Chair called meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

- I. Discussion of recent events
 - February Meeting ATEEC
 - i. The event was well attended, especially by younger families. Generally attendees found the event entertaining; some wanted more detailed information to be provided. Craddick will provide a list of attendees to Stratton for the annual report.
 - March Trivia
 - i. The event went well; however attendance could be increased. Revisit the issue of timing as many could not attend due to timing conflicts with the ACS national meeting.
 - New officers
 - i. The section is in need of a new chair elect as the current chair elect (Horst) has resigned. A key responsibility of the chair elect is planning events for National Chemistry Week.
- II. Update on finances
 - Currently on budget.
 - Have not yet received this year's allocation from national.
 - Kiser scholarship (one \$1000 scholarship) deadline was April 1st. At the time of the meeting some high schools were still submitting applications and approximately 25 applications had been received.
 - Dinner from February Meeting at Me & Billy, cost the section money.
- III. Report from Council Meeting
 - Detailed report is posted to local section website.
 - Nearly 14,000 members attended the Denver national meeting.
 - Membership dues will increase next year (2.5% increase then rounded to nearest \$).
 - There were discussions of increasing fees for the technical meetings to help support increasing costs of technical support.
 - The Council voted to approve petitions to charter two International Chemical Sciences Chapters (India and Taiwan)
 - The August national meeting will be held in Boston, MA.

IV. Upcoming Events

- Loras College (April 15th or 20th) – Science in Star Trek presented by Jeff Bryan of UW La Crosse.
- CCED
 - i. Responsibilities transferred from Horst to Stratton. Stratton is compiling IL/IA school district information
- Distillery Tour at Mississippi River Distilling Company
 - i. Scheduled for Thursday, May 7th, beginning at 6:15 pm.
 - ii. Dinner afterwards at Happy Joe's.
- Future Meeting Ideas
 - i. Talk/demos by Dr. Marvin Lang of UW Stevens Point
 - ii. Local government representatives
 - 1. Possibly pre-submit questions and have a town hall style event
 - 2. Consider asking Cheri Bustos and/or Joni Ernst
 - iii. Ashford University (Clinton, IA) has offered to host a meeting this Fall (Oct or Sept)

V. Other business

- Website updates
 - i. Consider adding a counter to see number of site visitors
 - ii. Include high school and college attended to information about Kiser scholarship recipients

VI. Tentative date for next executive committee meeting

- Next meeting planned for Tuesday, May 12th.

Motion to adjourn carried.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:51 pm.

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amanda Wilmsmeyer". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.