

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

Monday, January 26, 2015
Rogalski Center, Room 211, SAU

Members Present

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

The Chair (Stratton) called meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

- I. Discussion of recent events
 - ACS Leadership Institute in Dallas, TX (Jan 23-25) was attended by the Chair.
 - i. About 150 in attendance
 - ii. Some other sections have more young chemist socials and is worth consideration for our section
 - December Meeting
 - i. "Season of Light" planetarium show was canceled. Earlier reservations are recommended for the Dec 2015 meeting.
 - ii. Awards
- II. Update on finances
 - On budget for the past year and budget is ready to go into the annual report
 - Proposed budget for 2015 is slightly lower as some paper mailings including newsletters will be transitioned to emails.
- III. Upcoming section meetings
 - February 17, 6 pm: ATEEC in Davenport, IA
 - i. Discussed options for dinner and working on finalizing details.
 - ii. Event will likely include two 20 minute talks with one being activity based.
 - iii. Potential talk topics include nuclear, solar, and biodiesel energies
 - March 30, 5-9 pm: Trivia at SAU
 - i. May be set up at a broadcasted event with other sections participating via a web interface.
 - ii. Chair will contact Sodexo for catering.
 - April: Loras
 - May: Brewery Tour at Mississippi River Distilling Company in LeClaire, IA
 - September: Local Trivia
 - October: Clinton
 - November: Undergrad Research Conference
 - December: Awards and Planetarium at Augustana

- IV. Annual report
- Stratton and Gierlus are finalizing the report. On track for submission early Feb
- V. Other business
- Discussion of Kaiser Scholarship. Information has gone out to counselors of ~75 high schools. Deadline for submission is March 31
 - Discussion of Chemistry Olympiad. To be hosted at Monmouth this spring. Considering other possible host locations for spring 2016.
 - Discussion of "Program in a Box".
 - i. Two general program types; students and industry
 - ii. Activities include pamphlets and webinar at fixed times (6pm CT and dates)
 - iii. Will be tested with smaller program (potentially SAU chem club) before bringing to local section
- VI. Earth Day – looking for a coordinator to organize a yearly activity
- VII. National Chemistry Week – to be coordinated by chair elect
- VIII. Date for next executive committee meeting will be scheduled via email.

Motion to adjourn carried.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:33 pm.

Respectively submitted,



Amanda Wilmsmeyer