



## American Chemical Society Carolina – Piedmont Section

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Minutes for the March 6, 2008 meeting of the Executive Committee of the Carolina-Piedmont Section of the American Chemical Society at BASF, 4330 Chesapeake Drive, Charlotte, NC.

Attending:

Matthew Chan  
Thompson Freeman  
Anne Hawking  
Marilyn Sikes (Call-In)  
Sonia McElveen  
T. Christian Grattan

Absence:

Hally Merrell  
Lee Kindberg  
Dan Rabinovich

1. Call to Order: Anne Hawking called the meeting to order at 6:13 PM. Minutes of the last Ex Meeting were reviewed and approved prior to the meeting by the Ex. Committee via email.

Welcome new members – Christian Grattan and Sonia McElveen

2. Treasurer's Report: Tom Freeman

The following items were discussed and reviewed:

- Budget for 2008 approved by Ex Committee via email prior to mtg.
- Review of YTD Revenues/Expenses/Balance Sheet for local section
- Annual report for 2007 was signed off/approved on-line by Matthew Chan, C-P Section Councilor
- An internal audit is due for 2008. Announcement at next section mtg. for volunteers otherwise exploring Columbus, OH option

3. Meeting Schedule for 2008:

DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC	LOCATION
<b>Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Otis Rothenberger &amp; James Webb</b>	<b>Really Simple Chemical Demonstrations</b>	<b>Ramada at Woodlawn</b>
<b>Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christopher Hollinsed</b>	<b>Disruptive Innovations in the Chemical Industry</b>	<b>Davidson College</b>
<b>May (TBD)</b>	TBD	<b>Outdoor demos?</b>	<b>Picnic location?</b>
September (TBD)	TBD	<b>Nat. Chem Week?</b>	<b>App. State?</b>
<b>Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Yorke Rhodes</b>	<b>Planetary Chemistry: Differences in the Solar System Atmospheres</b>	
<b>November (TBD)</b>	TBD - Stone Award		
<b>December (TBD)</b>	TBD		

Meeting plans are set up based on schedule included. April meeting will include Student Award night/recognition. Students should prepare/present research in poster form or ~10-15 minutes oral presentation. Coordinating with Tim Kroboth on nominations due April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Career Services materials (Job Search, Interview prep and Resume Prep booklets from ACS) from previous meeting will be available at Student Awards night and subsequent meetings.

Proposal for "Demos on the Lawn" picnic style May meeting. Sonia will investigate connections to Union County Agricultural Office. Also checking into Reedy Creek Park/UNCC as potential host site. Saturday afternoon proposed to allow for kids to participate along with members.

September meeting – coordinate with ACS/National Chemistry Week festivities. Contacting Dale Wheeler about theme after ACS national in April. Enhance membership involvement and community outreach for the section.

Earth Day ideas also being discussed as a yearly spring event to coordinate through the section to also enhance membership and community involvement.

4. Elections:

Chair-Elect position is currently unfilled. Election may be held at any time in case of member interest in serving.

5. ACS & Local Section Bylaws:

No immediate action on Bylaws. Wait for filter-down effect from ACS changes.

6. Newsletter:

Newsletter will be transition to email starting in September 2008. 90% of section membership have email reported to National. Remaining 10% will be mailed in addition to voluntary selection of paper-copy. Announcements will be forthcoming to encourage members to update or register email with ACS. Cliff Calloway will assume responsibility of website updates and newsletter. Advertising potential for the newsletter will be explored. Matthew will review business proposals.

7. Website:

Cliff Calloway has agreed to take on the responsibilities for the section website updates and maintenance.

8. Councilors:

Matthew and Marilyn will attend the National meeting in April and report back to the section.

9. Committees:

Chemists Celebrate Earth Day (April 22<sup>nd</sup>) - Sonia described some of the upcoming events in both Indian Trail and Stallings in which they are looking for Earth Day exhibitors for possible section involvement. Anne will review the details of the application requirements for innovative grants in an attempt to solicit funds for developing Earth Day opportunities between the section and community. An announcement is planned for the next section meeting, March 12<sup>th</sup>, to test out interest on this year's theme, "Streaming Chemistry".

Project SEED – The application is believed to be in and updates are being sought from Dan Rabinovich.

10. Other Business:

Keeping an eye out for potential host sites for meetings, restaurants, college and universities or businesses. Ask for suggestions in upcoming newsletters in an attempt to reach members that may be interested in hosting a meeting.

Review of Active Items from Jan 28, 2008 Ex Mtg. – Finalize job descriptions is currently in progress and the section audit is being pursued first through the section itself for volunteers.

High School Teacher Award coordination follow-up between Cliff, Tim and Bill Switzer.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.