

Executive Committee
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Meeting Minutes 09 January 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:15 PM at TGIFridays.

Present: Lydia Hines (LH), James Kiddle (JK), Mike Kiella (MK), Jennifer Larese (JL), John Miller (JM), Andy Sanborn (AS), Don Schrieber (DS), Kate Shaw (KS), Tom Smith (TS), Carl Stachew (CS), Monica Whitmire (MW)

1. Secretary's Report
 - a. The ~~January~~ ^{December 2007} meeting minutes were approved with minor changes.
 - b. Action items table: Add Girl Scout Day to the table
2. Treasurer's Report
 - a. December 2007 treasurer's report was approved. An extra \$1800 was received from the national office. This extra money will be put in the reserve fund.
 - b. JM determining status of the outstanding check to Scott Vanderlugt.
3. Western Michigan University and Kalamazoo College Student Affiliates
 - a. WMU: The updates to the bylaws are in progress.
 - b. KCollege: Tom Dueweke will be the moderator for the student affiliates.
4. Old Business
 - a. MW presented the final draft report. The report can be edited by going to the link <http://acswebapplications.acs.org/Applications/SOLAR/> JK will handle the report completion.
 - b. Waiting to hear from the post office regarding the postage cost reduction.
 - c. Fred Upton will visit WMU on February 18, 2008. The meeting consists of a 30 minute tour and 30 minute Q&A. Members are requested to contact DS if they want to attend or have a chemistry topic they want discussed at the meeting.
 - d. 2008 Science Café: Bell's agreed to continue hosting the spring sessions. Current speakers/topics: Marty Johnson (Criminal Forensics), Scott Aldrich (Pharmaceutical Product Forensics), Jim Howell (not sure). Backup speakers and topics Gary Supp (Criminal Forensics), KACS (Critique a CSI episode).
 - e. Pfizer members can't use their work address to receive postcard mailings.
 - f. Dr. David F. Weimer will be the spring tour speaker. Topic: Herbal Products: They're Natural but are They Safe? JK will arrange the date and location.
5. New Business
 - a. All agreed the KACS website needs to be updated. DS will check with WMU computer department. Other possible web designers include KVCC.
 - b. JK has work conflict with KACS meetings from May to September. JK will survey member availability.
6. Around the Table
 - a. JL is interested in attending a Science Café conference in Boston. All agreed this would be a great way to find new ideas. JL waiting to get confirmation a meeting will be held.

- b. JM noted that WMU and the EPA will hold a training session on chemical hygiene and school cleanup on Valentine's Day in Battle Creek.
- c. MW or MK?? requested an agenda item be added next month to discuss ways to honor Dean Cooke's many years of valuable service to KACS.
- d. MK reiterated KACS support for sending a WMU or Kcollege student to present at a National or Regional ACS meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Minutes submitted by Carl Stachew.

Executive Committee
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Meeting Minutes February 6, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM at TGIFridays

Present: Kim Greve (KG), James Kiddle (JK), Don Schrieber (DS), Kate Shaw (KS),
Monica Whitmire (MW), John Miller (JM), Dean Cooke (DC), Carl Stachew (CS)

1. Secretary's Report

- a. The January meeting minutes were approved with no changes.
- b. Action item: Complete form to obtain ACS liability insurance for Girl Scout's Day. (KG)
- c. Action item: Add contact Heartland section and National ACS concerning bylaw changes. (CS)

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Received \$500 grant for the 2008 Science Café! Will transfer \$500 already budgeted for this event and move to the competitive exam awards.

3. WMU and Kcollege Student Affiliates

- a. WMU: No updates.
- b. Kcollege: Tom Smith to provide updates.

4. Old Business

- a. Annual Report: Approved with addition of the title for Keith Roe (Activity 2)
- b. Fred Upton visit to WMU: ACS legislation document being drafted to give to Fred. DS will provide a summary of KACS activities.
- c. Science Café: March 10th 7PM at Belles. Marty Johnson, Kalamazoo County Crime Lab, "CSI: An Overview of Current Practices"

5. New Business

- a. Earth Day is April 22. Current thought is to partner with the Nature Center. JK will check with Lydia Hines.
- b. Local Section Leadership Conference: DS attended. Learned local sections can't have advertising sponsors on websites hosted on ACS servers. Can have a newsletter that contains sponsors on the ACS servers. A large amount of information was presented in a short time space. Please contact DS for details.
- c. Girl Scout Merit Badge Day: Need four experimental leaders! Need supply list from Sue Stapleton. Need four labs reserved for the event.
- d. By-Laws: Revise language to include e-ballots and use of postcards for mailed ballots. Discussed need to add voting members who are active on committees while balancing the need to have a quorum at meetings. CS will draft proposed changes. 6

6. Around the table

Meeting adjourned at 8PM.

Meeting minutes submitted by Carl Stachew.

Executive Committee
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Meeting Minutes March 5, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM at TGIFridays

Present: James Kiddle (JK), Don Schrieber (DS), Kate Shaw (KS), John Miller (JM), Lydia Hines (LH), Tom Smith (TS), Carl Stachew (CS)

1. Secretary's Report

- a. The February meeting minutes were approved with no changes.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. The report was approved. No progress on tracking down Scott Vanderlugt.

3. WMU and Kcollege Student Affiliates

- a. WMU: Participated in the Waylee Science Night and scheduled to participate in the Northeastern Science Night. New chem. club shirts are available.
- b. Kcollege: TS provided an update. Most active chem. majors are overseas during fall and winter semesters. 32 sophomores have declared chemistry as their major. Students made aware of ACS student affiliates. Many will assist with Girl Scout Merit Badge Day. Current student leader is Katherine Diffenderfer. Email: Katherine.Diffenderfer05@kzoo.edu.

4. Old Business

- a. Fred Upton visit to WMU was successful. DS gave ACS position documents regarding NSF and DOE funding.
- b. Science Cafés at Belles 7PM: (1) March 10, 2008, Lt. Marty Johnson, CSI: An Overview of Current Practices (2) April 7, 2008, Dr. Jim Howell, Forensic Science at the US FDA (3) May 19, 2008, Scott Aldrich Topic to be determined. DS offered to look into the Copy Cup as an alternate location for future cafes.
- c. Postcards sent for spring tour speaker. Date is March 12, 2008.
- d. Bylaw changes: CS to look into e-balloting through National ACS. Heartland section is not currently doing it. LH checked Robert's Rules for a quorum and the rules leave it open to us how to define a quorum.

5. New Business

- a. Women in Chemistry at Michigan State University is March 29th. A full day professional development workshop. Posters were handed out for distribution.
- b. Earth Day is April 22. Current thought is to partner with the Nature Center. JK will check with Lydia Hines.
- c. Competitive Exam: Will be sent to high schools week of March 3-7. April 11th is the final exam date. May 19th is the date for the reception.
- d. Please send nominees for Meritorius Local Section Award by April 19th to LH.
- e. Kalamazoo Public Library is sponsoring a "Party in the Park" on May 28th at 10-11 AM at Bronson Park. Volunteers are needed to read to pre-school children. Contact LH by May 10th if interested.

- f. Earth Day theme will be “Adopt A Stream”. LH provided TS and KS with a handout describing this year’s contest that is open to Student Affiliates based on the theme.

6. Around the table

- a. (JK) The regional Science Olympiad will be held at WMU on March 15. Anyone interested in volunteering for Oceanography and Forensics events.
- b. (DS) Request for Project Seed sent to national ACS. Waiting for a reply.
- c. (LH) Great Lakes Region is asking all local sections if there is a desire to incorporate. All other regions have incorporated. If the region does incorporate each local section must host a meeting. The other alternative is to disband the Great Lakes Region and join an adjacent region.

New Orleans meeting will discuss changing Student Affiliates to Student Members and election issues.

Meeting adjourned at 8PM.

Meeting minutes submitted by Carl Stachew.

Executive Committee

Kalamazoo Section ACS

Meeting Minutes April 9, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM at TGIFridays

Present: James Kiddle (JK), Mike Kiella (MK), Dean Cooke (DC), Kate Shaw (KS), John Miller (JM), Lydia Hines (LH), Kim Greve (KG), Andy Whiteman (AW), Jennifer Larese (JL), Carl Stachew (CS)

1. Secretary's Report

- a. The March meeting minutes were approved with one change. Remove (JM) from attendance.
- b. Action Item Table: Remove (LH) from Girl Scouts Day.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Scott Vanderlugt was contacted. New check will be issued to him.

3. WMU and Kcollege Student Affiliates

- a. WMU: (LH) requested if ChemClub could support a demonstration for Cub Scouts. (KS) will place on the ChemClub agenda.
- b. Kcollege: No updates.

4. Old Business

- a. Change By-Laws to allow electronic voting. (JM) proposed using web site for voting. Send post cards with security codes. (CS) to draft proposed language changes and circulate to members. (LH) to contact Barb Polansky with our proposed changes.
- b. KACS monthly meetings will be the first Monday, May through August. September will be the second Monday.

5. New Business

- a. We will be charged for another tour speaker due to an accidental booking of an extra tour. Members present agreed to "so be it move on."
- b. Science Café conference: All agreed (JL) should attend. Exec committee will sponsor trip. (JL) will look into financial assistance offered by the sponsor.
- c. Regional Incorporation: Exec committee voted yes to meet about discussing the option to incorporate. Benefits are regions have money to sponsor regional meetings and offer legal protection for a locally sponsored meeting. (MK) wondered why National ACS did not offer legal protection.

6. Around the table

- a. (LH) Nominees for national offices, consensus was (LH) can vote for us.
- b. (KG) Post office wants us to use the same mailing stock for a mailing.
- c. (JL) Revamp KACS web page. Will be discussed at May meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8PM.

Meeting minutes submitted by Carl Stachew.

Executive Committee

Kalamazoo Section ACS

Meeting Minutes May 5, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:07 PM at TGIFridays

Present: James Kiddle (JK), Kate Shaw (KS), John Miller (JM), Lydia Hines (LH), Kim Greve (KG), Andy Whiteman (AW), Jennifer Larese (JL), Carl Stachew (CS), Evan Garrett (EG), Tom Smith (TS), Monica Whitmire (MW), Don Schreiber (DS)

1. Secretary's Report

- a. The April meeting minutes were approved no changes.
- b. Action Item Table: No changes.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Report was approved.

3. WMU and Kcollege Student Affiliates

- a. WMU: The ChemClub has a new president, Evan Garrett. Congratulations to Kate and Andy for their graduation. The hands-on activity for the Cub Scouts event will be discussed by the new leadership at a future meeting. *(raw paw)*
- b. Kcollege: The affiliates requested support for two outreach events, the Dow B-Q and Forensics Day. The Dow B-Q picnic event brings students and professors together to celebrate science and to bring greater awareness of chemistry and science to the K-College community. Forensics Day invites 8th grade students from local middle schools to participate in a crime scene investigation. EC agreed to fund half of the request for Dow B-Q (\$100) and the entire request for Forensics Day (\$150). Dow B-Q also has another sponsor to fund the remaining \$100 requested.

4. Old Business

- a. For e-voting look at "Survey Monkey". (CS) presented draft changes to bylaws to accommodate e-ballots. Language was approved with minor changes. (LH) will provide edits via e-mail. (LH) noted after meeting that Bylaw 14 is restrictive on our ability to modify the bylaws. (CS) will provide draft changes to this bylaw for review. (LH) also provided to (CS) draft protocols for conducting elections from national and the guidelines for amending local section bylaws.
- b. (JL) will be going to the Science Café conference. The conference will provide funding for accommodations. KACS will fund the rest of the trip.
- c. Regional incorporation: (LH) indicated we were the only section to respond to the request. We will wait to hear from the Regional Committee before taking any further action.

5. New Business

- a. Science Café: Ideas for fall and spring series for next year. Fermentation was selected for the fall series. Efforts to secure speakers are underway. Topics will be pharmaceutical fermentation, beer and wine. Other future themes proposed were material science possibly with a sports theme (ex. Golf clubs (TS) has contact, Running (Gazelle Sports), Hockey) and Clinical Chemistry.
- b. National Meeting: (LH) passed out a summary of actions and reports. Highlights include the Committee on Nominations and Elections will be posting guidelines on electronic elections, continued funding was approved for high school chemistry clubs.
- c. Local Web Site: (JK) has contacted someone who can redesign the site. EC agreed we need a site that allows individuals to update their own sections. Make the first page showcase upcoming events like Science Cafes and outreach events. (JK) will contact Vicki Finkenstadt to see what national ACS can offer with respect to templates, hosting, etc...
- d. Postcard mailings: Charity (MPI) won't be handling this function anymore. KACS expresses its appreciation for her willingness to take this on for the section. WMU will take over as the responsible party for the mailings. A request was made that our website address and a person to contact (LH) (name and telephone number) be again placed on the postcard.

6. Around the table

- a. (KG) Girl Scout Merit Badge Day was a success. 68 attended. There is interest in having the event every year. (KG) will see what the Girl Scouts are willing to fund. WCC is willing to support an annual event.
- b. (LH) There was one Haiku and one artwork submission from Moorsbridge Elementary for Earth Day. (LH) distributed ACS Earth Day publications to the Kalamazoo Public Library Children's Rooms downtown and the branches.
- c. (DS) Need a nomination for section award winner.

Meeting adjourned at 8PM.

Meeting minutes submitted by Carl Stachew.

Executive Committee

Kalamazoo Section ACS

Meeting Minutes June 2, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM at TGIFridays

Present: James Kiddle (JK), Kate Shaw (KS), Andy Whiteman (AW), Jennifer Larese (JL), Carl Stachew (CS), Evan Garrett (EG)

1. Secretary's Report

- a. The May meeting minutes were approved no changes.
- b. Action Item Table: Need to add items for fall Science Cafes.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Report was approved.

3. WMU and Kcollege Student Affiliates

- a. WMU: Club is looking into having the Kalamazoo Glass Blowing Society give a demonstration and talk. (EG)
- b. Kcollege: (TS) gave (JK) a report on the May events, Dow B-Q and Forensics Day.

4. Old Business

- a. (CS) provided draft changes for amending local bylaws. Issue tabled for August meeting.
- b. Annual awards banquet was successful. Awards were distributed to those award winners in attendance. (DS)
- c. Received feedback from Girl Scouts. The merit badge day will be held annually and the Girl Scouts will help fund and more importantly provide cookies. (JK)
- d. KACS Web Site: (JK) contacted Vicki Finkenstadt and is waiting for a response.
- e. Science Café: Spring series finished. (JL) provided summary report and has since also provided summary of trip to Boston including several recommendations.

5. New Business

- a. Electronic Elections Teleconference: (JK) participated. Our bylaw changes are consistent with the direction from National ACS. Systems that have been used were reviewed, Vote Net, Survey Monkey and Campus Vote. All are easy to use. Need to make accommodations for members who don't want e-voting. Will discuss issue further at August meeting.
- b. Science Outreach: (CS) suggested contacting members to see if there is interest in having demonstration kits available. Recommendation made to have kits to support events like Chemistry Day and Girl Scouts should Pfizer outreach program lose their budget. (CS) will contact members through e-mail.
- c. Fall Tour Speaker: (JK) Will send out e-mail with choices. Members can vote for choices by

Executive Committee
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Meeting Minutes August 4, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM at TGIFridays

Present: James Kiddle (JK), Don Schreiber (DS), John Miller (JM), Lydia Hines (LH), Evan Garrett (EG), Micheal Kiella (MK), Dean Cooke (DC), Andy Whiteman (AW), Monica Whitmire (MW)

1. Secretary's Report
 1. Secretary's Report approved with corrections.
 2. Action Item Table was approved.
2. Treasurer's Report
 1. Treasurer's Report was approved.
3. WMU and Kcollege Student Affiliates
 1. WMU: WMU Affiliate is looking into getting Frank Meintz, a glassblower to give a talk on Chemistry of Glass, also will be doing goggle sales once again in the fall. (EG)
 2. Kcollege: No report.
4. Old Business
 1. (CS) Discussion of Bylaws tabled until Carl is present.
 2. Electronic Elections, still working on it planning on using Survey Monkey. Need to begin identifying candidates. Positions open will be Chair-elect, Councilor, and Treasure. (JK)
5. New Business
 1. A Copy of ChemLuminary Award poster was passed around for suggestions; the full scale copy will be ready by the end of the week to give to LH to take to the national meeting. (JK)
 2. Science Café's for the Fall (3 of them) were discussed. JM will get mailing out. Monica requested the schedule be posted.
 3. Because the first Science Café is on the second Monday in September (current EC meeting day), DS moved we have the EC meeting on Tuesday for September only.
 4. Replacement of the Social Chair was discussed. Two KACS members were recommended as potential candidates (Kim Grieve and Kate Shaw).
 5. Fall tour speaker for November, Thomas Parliament was discussed. Replacing or combining the fall tour speaker with a dinner was discussed. MK volunteered to work on it. JK will send out an e-mail to gauge interest in these ideas.
 6. DS discussed the speakers for the 2009 tour. Noted we had been given 3, but planned for only 2. Copies of descriptions were passed around and Robert Blackledge and Robert Bates were selected.

6. Around the table: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.

Meeting minutes submitted by Don Schreiber and James Kiddle.

Executive Committee
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Meeting Minutes Sept 8, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM at TGIFridays

Present: James Kiddle (JK), Mike Kiella (MK), Lydia Hines (LH), Dean Cooke (DC), Don Schreiber (DS), Monica Whitmire (MW), Pat Irish (PI), Carl Stachew (CS)

1. Secretary's Report

- a. The August meeting minutes were approved with minor changes.
- b. Action Item Table: No changes.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Report was approved.

3. WMU and Kcollege Student Affiliates

- a. WMU: Club will have a table at the Bronco Bash. (DS)
- b. Kcollege: Tom Smith will provide an update at the next meeting.

4. Old Business

- a. (CS) provided draft changes for amending local bylaws. Electronic draft will be provided with the minutes. Section will vote electronically on the changes through Survey Monkey. If approved will send to National ACS for review.
- b. Social event will replace having a fall tour speaker. MK and MW will set up the event. Date will be early November after the Science Café.
- c. Replacement for Social Coordinator (JL) has not been found. Search continues.

5. New Business

- a. National Chemistry Week (NCW): [Theme is Chemistry and Sports]
Chemistry Day at the Museum: Gazelle Sports has been contacted for likely presentation; Blue Heron Academy will present in the Little Theater as well as give massages. Volunteers are still needed. Contact LH if interested. Lydia will deliver flyers advertising Chemistry Day and the activity paper "Celebrating Chemistry" to the Kalamazoo, Portage and Gobles libraries. Lydia has contacted High School and Elementary School Teachers concerning the Poster contest available to their students. LH contacted the Student Affiliate Groups at WMU and K College inviting them to participate in the Chemvention Competition sponsored by National for NCW. MK, JK and CS offered to participate in Monday Night Live with Keith Roe.
- b. Election Candidates: Chair elect: JK and DS working on finding a candidate. Treasurer: John Miller, Councilor: Lydia Hines

6. Around the table

- a. PI requested the section fund a quarterly mass spec discussion group. Pat will first determine interest within the section.
- b. The Great Lakes Region Steering Committee received enough Yes votes from member Sections to pursue incorporation. ACS Career Industry Forum: ACS is offering monthly teleconference series featuring industry leaders in the chemical sciences. See ACS website for more details. Councilor's report

from the Philadelphia meeting was presented. (LH) distributed a written report.

- c. CS inquired about web site. ACS has a new contact to assist local sections. K_Seller@acs.org. This activity is currently on hold.
- d. JK resigned as Chair. DS will take over as acting chair for the next meeting.
- e. Welcome back Pat Irish to the KACS.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Meeting minutes submitted by Carl Stachew.

Executive Committee
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Meeting Minutes Oct 8, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM at TGIFridays

Present: John Miller (JM), Mike Kiella (MK), Lydia Hines (LH), Dean Cooke (DC), Don Schreiber (DS), Tom Smith (TS), Evan Garret (EG), Kim Greve (KG), Carl Stachew (CS)

1. Secretary's Report

- a. The Sept meeting minutes were approved.
- b. Action Item Table: No changes.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Bank of America is our new bank due to acquisition of LaSalle. WMU students deposited \$995 for local section to hold. Project Seed student needs to file report in order to complete his program and get the stipend from National. DS will continue to reach student. Report was approved.

3. WMU and Kcollege Student Affiliates

- a. WMU: Participated in the Douglas Community Center Youth Day. (EG)
- b. Kcollege: Students will be hosting a Mole Day event on Campus. (TS)

4. Old Business

- a. Social event is scheduled for Nov 11th at S-2 Ice Arena. Invitations will be sent to members requesting reply by Nov 5th. Speaker will be Ed Spicer current member of the Caldecott Committee will present a program featuring books eligible for the 2009 *Caldecott Medal*. It is given annually to the illustrator whose art work represents a significant achievement in the field of *children's literature*. Need 20 people to make the event worth having.
- b. Replacement for Social Coordinator (JL) has not been found. Search continues.

5. New Business

- a. Chemistry Day at the Museum: Monday Night Live show with Keith Roe was successful. Volunteer list finalized. Everything is in place for the event.
- b. Election Candidates: Chair elect: Sue Stapleton Treasurer: John Miller, Councilor: Lydia Hines. DS will arrange for post cards to send to members. E-ballot option may be included if enough time is available to setup.

6. Around the table

- a. JM noted the attendance at Science Cafes were 35 for Beer Fermentation and 18-25 people for Pharmaceutical Fermentation. The Innovation Grant program has been funded by National if anyone is interested in applying. National is also funding a partnership program. Girl Scout Merit Badge Day may be a possible candidate for funding.
- b. LH inquired about web site. ACS has a new contact to assist local sections. K_Seller@acs.org. CS will contact.

- c. EG will put together a proposal by next meeting outlining needs for presenting at the American Geophysical Union. Proposal will include sponsorship from other sponsors.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Meeting minutes submitted by Carl Stachew.

Executive Committee
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Meeting Minutes Nov 8, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:10 PM at TGIFridays

Present: John Miller (JM), Mike Kiella (MK), Lydia Hines (LH), Wally Hines (WH), Don Schreiber (DS), Tom Smith (TS), Evan Garret (EG), Monica Whitmire (MW), Carl Stachew (CS)

1. Secretary's Report

- a. The Oct meeting minutes were approved.
- b. Action Item Table: Update table with completion of Chemistry Day and Science Café items. Change date to Sep-09 for new experiments for Chemistry Day. Add action item for follow through on website design.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Oct report approved. Project Seed student check will be sent subtracting stipend from National since report was not completed.

3. WMU and Kcollege Student Affiliates

- a. WMU: Science demo at Plainwell Elementary on Nov. 7th. For Mole Day had a volcano demo. Will give science demo for Otsego Elementary Fun Night in mid Nov. (EG) LH asked if the student affiliates had contacted the Cub Scout Troop in Paw Paw regarding a request for a hands-on science activity. EG responded that contact would be made.
- b. Kcollege: Hosted Mole Day event on campus with demos for teachers and their children. Conducted a pumpkin carving event with chemical themes. (TS)

4. Old Business

- a. Mailings: JM will handle through WMU. WMU admin staff may be able to support. JM noted the attendance for Science Cafes is down slightly with having just e-mail notification. Mailings may be reaching additional members.
- b. Social Event: 20 people expected. Attracting a different base of members than previous events. Event is ready.

5. New Business

- a. Preliminary 2009 budget submitted by JM. Income and expense items for second Councilor travel will be removed. Net effect is \$800 surplus. Suggestion made to add this surplus to student conference funding. JM will update budget for finalization at Dec meeting. Change "Newsletter" to "Post Card Mailings" under Administration Expenses.
- b. Requirements for Student Presentations: Budget discussion led to ideas on how to promote KACS as a source for funding student presentations at conferences. MK, MW and LH will develop a request form to present to local college chem. departments. Goal is to provide an opportunity for students to practice writing and presenting a funding request along with providing funding.

- c. EG presented a request for partial funding for his trip to present at the American Geophysical Society in December. The presentation is titled "Inhibition of Gypsum Precipitation for Subsurface Barrier Formation. Sponsor is Dr. Barcelona from WMU. Exec Committee agreed to fund the abstract and registration fees of \$115.

6. Around the table

- a. Attendance for Chem Day was above 600. Survey Monkey was used to obtain feedback on the event and all but one response was positive.
- b. MK indicated there was still time to RSVP to the social event.
- c. CS has contacted Kate Sellar from National to help with website design. Waiting for a reply.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Next Meeting: Wednesday Dec. 3, 2008 at 6:00 PM at TGIFridays.

Minutes submitted by Carl Stachew.

Executive Committee
Kalamazoo Section ACS
Meeting Minutes Dec 3~~1~~, 2008

Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM at TGIFridays

Present: John Miller (JM), Mike Kiella (MK), Lydia Hines (LH), Don Schreiber (DS),
Monica Whitmire (MW), Kim Greve (KG), Sue Stapleton (SS), Carl Stachew (CS)

1. Secretary's Report

- a. The Nov meeting minutes were approved.
- b. Action Item Table: Add Girl Scouts Day on Feb 14th. Add action to complete insurance waiver for this event.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Nov report approved.
- b. 2009 Budget: Approved. JM will contact Boy Scouts to inquire about KACS helping with science demos. Currently there is no budget for Boy Scout science outreach activities.

3. WMU and Kcollege Student Affiliates

- a. WMU: Annual dinner will be this month. Conducted demos at Plainwell and Otsego schools. Will sponsor a demo for MLK day on campus in Jan 09.
- b. Kcollege: No update.

4. Old Business

- a. Results of Election: Welcome Sue Stapleton the new Chair Elect. LH and JM were reelected to Councilor and Treasurer.
- b. Social Event: 31 people attended. Received positive feedback about the event. Event brought members who haven't been to recent events. EC recommends another event in fall 09. MK and MW volunteered to organize next year's event. Social event will replace the fall tour speaker.
- c. Bylaws are being reviewed. We should have feedback by mid January.

5. New Business

- a. 2008 Annual Report: Please give DS your reports for events held in 2008.
- b. Website: ACS will provide hosting site and offers templates to build a Website. Debate centered on the role of the website. Everyone agreed that a survey of the members to determine interest in having a website and the content was necessary. Everyone asked to submit survey questions to DS to review at next meeting. Innovation grant could be used to help build website beyond the basic offering from national.

6. Around the table

- a. Great Lakes Regional Meeting is May 13-16 in Chicago.
- b. ACS will provide 3K to local section to host a leadership seminar. SS can provide feedback on these seminars after attending the conference.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Next Meeting: Wednesday Jan. 7, 2008 at 6:00 PM at TGIFridays.

Minutes submitted by Carl Stachew.