



Kalamazoo Local Section Administration Form 2018

Local Section Administration Form - Governance	
1. How many times did the executive committee conduct governance business during 2018?*	11
2. How many members were there in the executive committee during 2018?*	7
3. How did the executive committee communicate with one another during 2018?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> Teleconference <input type="checkbox"/> ACS Network <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other - Meetings
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 2018 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 2018?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
7. How did your local section identify future leaders and get them into the leadership pipeline during 2018?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self-nomination <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solicitation or advertising <input type="checkbox"/> Identify active committee members <input type="checkbox"/> Formal leadership training <input type="checkbox"/> Long term plan <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach to new members <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arm-twisting <input type="checkbox"/> Other -
8. Did your local section conduct an officer election during 2018? *	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
9. Did your local section conduct its elections electronically during 2018?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
9a. If the response to 9 (above question) is Yes, please list what tool you used to conduct elections.*	Survey monkey
10. How many members voted in your local section officer election in 2018?*	68
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.	

11. 2018 Chair's report: Please provide a narrative of the past year's activity/successes/challenges:*

The Kalamazoo local section (KACS) put together another solid year for 2018. Activities included a good mix of annual recurring events, and also a few new events generating increased local section membership involvement.

Among the recurring events delivered this year, was the successful completion of the 37th annual KACS competitive chemistry exam program for local high school chemistry students. For 2018, 361 students from 11 local high schools participated. The program was again led by Dr. James Kiddle, our 2018 KACS Volunteer of the Year. James announced he was stepping down after this year, creating the challenge for the local section of filling a large Education Committee vacancy.

For CCEW this year, KACS again participated in the (2nd) annual Kalamazoo Earth Day Festival in Bronson Park, running a hands-on, visual-indicator, red-ox reaction, that was a hit. And as a new event this year, KACS ran a chemistry-themed water stop for the Kalamazoo Marathon in May, handing out high-quality H₂O at Mile 15.

At our annual Awards Ceremony, competitive exam winners, chemistry students and teachers of the year, and long-term (50, 60, 70 and 76 year) members were feted. KACS also presented a Salutes-to-Excellence Award to the Kalamazoo Public Library for their active science-based programs.

Following up on the inaugural success of last year, KACS again partnered with Kalamazoo College to offer a Speed Networking Event putting local chemistry university students in contact with local professional chemists for career development information sharing. We again had a good turnout of about 30 students and 30 mentors, and received positive comments from both groups as to the value of this event. We submitted this KACS – K College partnership for a P3 Award.

KACS celebrated National Chemistry Week with our 32nd annual Chemistry Day at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum. This popular event coordinated by KACS Councilor Lydia Hines, featured this year, 20 chem demos run by 60 volunteers, enjoyed by about 600 attendees.

New this year KACS participated in an ACS Program-in-a-Box webinar/social media event. We were set up in two local venues for the "Voyage to Mars" PIB event, the AirZoo which offered a theater seating environment, and Boatyard Brewing which offered a pub-like environment. Attending local section members gave this event two thumbs up.

KACS also hosted two seminars this year. Dr. John Edwards of Process NMR Associates LLC spoke about "qNMR of Beer" to attendees at Bell's Comstock Brewery. Dr. Lisa Balbes of Balbes Consultants presented "Careers in Chemistry" at Kalamazoo College, co-hosted by KACS and the Huron Valley local section. Our annual Recycled Poster Event, held at the Bells Brewery Backroom, was again very well attended this year, continuing to be the highlight of Kalamazoo science-related events.

Our student affiliates were quite active this year. The Kalamazoo College Chem Club won the 2018 Battle of the Chem Clubs, involving clubs from 12 Michigan universities competing to solve chemistry challenges. The Western Michigan University Chem Club participated in a number of outreach events, including presenting chemistry demos at six different local elementary schools. The Western Michigan University Chemistry Graduate Student Association hosted spring and fall networking social events.

KACS participation in Project SEED continues to be revitalized under the leadership of Doug Williams. This year we had one Project SEED student, and plans were drafted for recruiting laboratory mentorship and financial support for the future. We also celebrated the 50th anniversary of Project SEED, catching up with some Kalamazoo Project SEED alumni.

Our KACS National Historic Chemical Landmark (NHCL)

	<p>Committee was busy through much of 2018 putting together our program and agenda of activities for the Kalamazoo NHCL dedication event scheduled for May 16-17, 2019.</p> <p>From local section elections this year we have Hershel Jude joining the KACS Executive Committee in 2019 as Chair-Elect, Bill Schinzer continuing as Treasurer, and Lydia Hines continuing as Councilor. Also, Mike Weslosky joined the Communications Committee.</p> <p>Overall, I think was a good year for the local section. The attached files provide additional details. We successfully achieved some increased member involvement this year offering new activities like the marathon water stop, the Mars PIB event, the speed networking event, and will try to continue these events in 2019. Also, for 2019, we will have the NHCL dedication event. And the Executive Committee has already started planning potential International Year of the Periodic Table events for 2019. A main challenge for 2019 will be dealing with committee attrition, including the loss of our local section Education Committee Chair and Secretary (recruiting efforts are underway).</p>
12. 2019 Chair's goals for the Section	
a. Please list your top 3 goals:	Develop plan to increase participation among chemical educators in this section.
	Develop plan to increase voter turnout in local KACS elections.
	Develop plan to establish www.kalamazooacs.org as the local chemistry community primary resource.
b. What are your concerns and challenges?*	<p>1) that I won't find enough time to do this right,</p> <p>2) that chemical educators don't [seem to] regard participation in the Section as being worth their while</p> <p>3) that we spend too much time dotting Is and crossing Ts, and not enough time thinking about how to re-write the novel to resonate with i-generations.</p>
13. 2019 Chair-Elect's goals for the Section	
a. Please list your top 3 goals:	1) Support our Project Seed coordinator in his efforts to strengthen KACS's program.
	2) Increasing member participation in our section's many successful annual events.
	3) Organize an event to support IYPT
b. What are your concerns and challenges?*	<p>1) That we will be able to find an education committee chair and members to maintain and strengthen the section's very strong education focus?</p> <p>2) That we will find dedicated members willing to run for Secretary and Chair Elect during fall of 2019.</p> <p>3) Being able to effectively balance family, professional, and KACS commitments.</p>
14. Does the Local Section have a Vision and/or Mission Statement?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
15. What was the date of the last Local Section strategic planning session?*	2/21/2018

Local Section Administration Form - Organization

1. Did your local section have active coordinators for the following?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No																											
a. If the response to 1 (above question) is YES, please select the activity and enter the coordinators name.	<table border="0"> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Awards</td> <td>Lydia E. M. Hines</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Budget/Finance</td> <td>William Schinzer</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Career assistance/Employment</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Chemistry Olympiad</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Community Activities</td> <td>Lydia E. M. Hines</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Continuing Education</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Educational</td> <td>James Kiddle</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td>EHS</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Environmental</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Awards	Lydia E. M. Hines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Budget/Finance	William Schinzer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Career assistance/Employment		<input type="checkbox"/>	Chemistry Olympiad		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Community Activities	Lydia E. M. Hines	<input type="checkbox"/>	Continuing Education		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Educational	James Kiddle	<input type="checkbox"/>	EHS		<input type="checkbox"/>	Environmental	
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2. How many subsections were active in your local section during 2018?*	0
3. How many subsection meetings were held by your local section during 2018?*	0
4. How many topical groups were active in your local section during 2018?*	0
5. How many topical group meetings were held in your local section during 2018?*	0
6. Did your local section support (financial or otherwise) an existing Technician Affiliate Group (TAG) during 2018?*	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
7. How many dues-paying affiliate members were in your local section during 2018?*	3
8. What was the approximate number of active volunteers in your local section during 2018?*	30
9. Please estimate the number of new volunteers in your local section during 2018?*	10
10. Please indicate all the ways that your local section recognized volunteers during 2018.* (Check all that apply.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Certificates <input type="checkbox"/> Awards <input type="checkbox"/> Letter to volunteer supervisor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter to volunteer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recognition at an event <input type="checkbox"/> Recognition on web <input type="checkbox"/> Recognition in newsletter <input type="checkbox"/> Other -

Local Section Administration Form - Communications

1. How many local section meetings were held during 2018?*	3
2. On average, how many members attended a local section meeting during 2018?*	20
3. How did Councilors report to your local section members about national ACS matters during 2018?*(Check all that apply.)	<input type="checkbox"/> At a section meeting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At an executive committee meeting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In the newsletter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On the local section web site <input type="checkbox"/> In an email <input type="checkbox"/> Other -
4. Did your local section have a representative on your Regional Meeting Board or Steering Committee during 2018?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
5. How does the sections leadership communicate information to its members (including social media)	Newsletter, Website, Email

channels)?*	
5a How Often do these communications occur:	
5a1 Number of newsletters published:*	5
5a2 Number of meeting notices:*	2
6. What social media does your local section use? (If selected, please provide the link.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facebook https://www.facebook.com/ACSKalamazoo/ <input type="checkbox"/> Twitter <input type="checkbox"/> LinkedIn <input type="checkbox"/> Other
7. Did your local section have a website during 2018?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
7a. If the answer to 7 (above question) is YES, what was the URL for your local section's website?	https://www.kalamazooacs.org
8. Did your local section post its Annual Report on your website during 2018?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

Local Section Administration Form - Nomination

1. Our Section would like to self-nominate for the Local Section Outstanding Performance Award.*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
2. Please provide a summary self-nomination statement of 500-word or less. The summary statement should highlight local section's 2018 activities to support your nomination.	<p>In 2018 the Kalamazoo LS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - conducted our 37th annual local high school chemistry competitive exam program, - celebrated our 45th annual scholarship and awards ceremony, - participated for the 14th year in a Kalamazoo Earth Day event, - provided for the 32nd year, Chem Day at the Museum as part of NCV, doing demos with over 600 Kalamazoo kids and parents, - continued our award-winning annual recycled poster event, partnering with Bells Brewery, - again teamed up with Kalamazoo College to provide a speed networking event, connecting local chemistry students seeking to start chem careers, with local working chemist mentors providing experiential information, - managed a chemistry themed water stop for the Kalamazoo Marathon, - participated in the "Voyage to Mars" PIB event from two local venues, - hosted two chemistry speaker seminars, - sponsored student affiliate activities, including six elementary school chem demo visits, - continued and strengthened local Project SEED participation, - successfully planned our 2019 Kalamazoo National Historic Chemical Landmark dedication event coming in 2019, - welcomed our 2019 Chair (Luke Chadwick) and Chair-Elect (Hershel Jude). <p>We consider 2018 to be an outstanding performance year for the Kalamazoo Local Section.</p>

Local Section Administration Form - Supporting Materials

File Name	File Size	Brief Description
KACS 2018 in Review.pdf	2.58 MB	KACS 2018 Year-in-Review
KACS Celebrates Project SEED 50th.pdf	2.78 MB	KACS celebrates Project SEED 50th

Local Section Administration Form - Approval

Comments

2018 was a full and productive year for the Kalamazoo Section.

Approved & Submit for Review Lydia Hines 01/31/2019

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**Contributor Return Comments**

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Kalamazoo Review Form 2018

Publish Comments

Beth Lorschach:Kalamazoo local section congratulations on another successful year! You did a fantastic job of hosting numerous events throughout the year. You had a good balance of recurring events along with new events. The successful completion of the 37th annual KACS competitive chemistry exam program for local high school chemistry students - your 2018 metrics, 361 students from 11 local high schools participating, is outstanding! We appreciate you mentioning that Dr. James Kiddle, our 2018 KACS Volunteer of the Year, has decided to step down from running this program. We encourage you to think about a Salute of Excellence to recognize him for all his service to the section in running this event. I noticed that you have a handful of meetings combined with events this year. You might consider finding ways to engage members with events. We would like to point out a new resource for you. The Digital Resource Guide is available to help your Section (1) engage members through social media, (2) find platforms to run elections, and (3) communicate remotely. Go to <https://communities.acs.org/community/society/acs-governance/best-practices/pages/welcome> for more information. Thank you for an excellence year and your continued programing

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