

Kalamazoo Local Section Administration Form 2019

| Local Section Administration Form - Governance | |
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| 1. How many times did the executive committee conduct governance business during 2019?* | 11 |
| 2. How many members were there in the executive committee during 2019?* | 7 |
| 3. How did the executive committee communicate with one another during 2019?* (Check all that apply.) | ☑ Email ☐ Teleconference ☐ ACS Network ☑ Other - in-person monthly 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 2019 ACS Leadership Institute?* | ⊙ Yes ○ No |
| Did your local section have a succession and/or leadership development plan during 2019? | ◯ Yes ③ Ho |
| 7. How did your local section identify future leaders and get them into the leadership pipeline during 2019?* (Check all that apply.) | □ Self-nomination ☑ Solicitation or advertising □ Identify active committee members □ Formal leadership training □ Long term plan ☑ Outreach to new members ☑ Arm-twisting ☑ Other - personal conversation |
| 8. Did your local section conduct an officer election during 2019? * | ③ Yes ◯ Ho |
| 9. Did your local section conduct its elections electronically during 2019?* | ⊙ Yes ○ Ho |
| 9a. If the response to 9 (above question) is Yes, please list what tool you used to conduct elections.* | SurveyMonkey |
| 10. How many members voted in your local section officer election in 2019?* | 59 |

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.

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| 11. 2019 Chair's report: Please provide a narrative of the past year's activity/successes/challenges:* | The KACS planned and executed several highly engaging events in 2019. Most notably our town was designated a National Historical Chemical Landmark and included several events and ceremonies. Others included another highly successful (especially given the weather!) Recycle-a-Poster event, a Chemistry Speed Networking event, booths at a few different locations through the annual Earth Week Celebration - just to name a few. More details can be found in our newsletters. |
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| | We made significant headway in scoping and planning a new website and social media presence. |
| | Losing the former chair of the Education Committee dealt KACS a huge blow, but the KACS Executive Committee (most notably Lydia Hines) rose to the occasion and pulled off the Competitive Exam. This was a huge win for all students who participated, and especially for those that won prizes! |
| | The biggest challenge relates to the national ACS' decision to remove my access to J. Ag. Food Chem That was the only easy justification for paying membership dues. I can no longer justify ACS membership, and I hope we can get through this year without membership status of outgoing chair being a major concern. |
| 12. 2020 Chair's goals for the Section | |
| a. Please list your top 3 goals: | Find a Team willing to coordinate the KACS annual competitive exam and student awards ceremony. |
| | Support KACS Chair-Elect Ed Thomas goal of developing a local seminar series |
| | Listen to members and hopefully they will be more involved with planning and executing activities |
| b. What are your concerns and challenges?* | My biggest concern is the lack of support the section receives from the members at large. The members of the executive council and the general member that actively support KACS's programs are doing a great job planning and hosting current KACS events. Many of these events as described in the 2019 chairs report are very well attended by both KACS members and non-members alike. However I fear that many of the members that currently support KACS programs are over taxed and without more involvement both the quality and number of events we can host will diminish. I believe increasing KACS member involvement in our current programs and in developing new programs is critical to the future success of the Kalamazoo Local Section of the American Chemical Society. |
| 13. 2020 Chair-Elect's goals for the Section | |
| a. Please list your top 3 goals: | Listen to members |
| | Evaluate member needs and address as possible |
| | Support and implement Chair and Section's 2020 goals |
| b. What are your concerns and challenges?* | Our local section is comprised of nearly 350 ACS members. These members are a diverse group including students, professors, industry scientists, and retirees. Our membership meetings pull together no more than 30 people. Although this is not unlike other sections, the challenge I see is how to make the local ACS Section relevant to all our current and future members and increase their participation. |
| 14. Does the Local Section have a Vision and/or Mission Statement?* | |
| 15. What was the date of the last Local Section strategic | 02/21/2018 |

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| Did your local section have active coordinators for the following?* | |
| a. If the response to 1 (above question) is YES, please select the activity and enter the coordinators name. | ✓ Awards ✓ Budget/Finance ✓ Career assistance/Employment ✓ Chemistry Olympiad |

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| | | Continuing Education | |
| | ✓ | Educational | Lydia Hines |
| | | EHS | |
| | | Environmental | |
| | | Government Affairs | |
| | | Industry Relations | |
| | | Strategic Planning | |
| | | Membership/Membership Retention | o . |
| | | Mentoring | |
| | | Minority Affairs | |
| | ✓ | Newsletter/Publications | Mike Weslosky |
| | | Nominations | · |
| | | Professional Relations | |
| | ✓ | Project SEED | P. Douglas Williams |
| | ✓ | Public Relations | Lydia Hines |
| | | Senior Chemists | · |
| | | Women Chemists | |
| | | Younger Chemists | |
| | | Other | |
| | | | |
| 2. How many subsections were active in your local section during 2019?* | 0 | | |
| 3. How many subsection meetings were held by your local section during 2019?* | 0 | | |
| 4. How many topical groups were active in your local section during 2019?* | 0 | | |
| 5. How many topical group meetings were held in your local section during 2019?* | 0 | | |
| 6. Did your local section support (financial or otherwise) an existing Technician Affiliate Group (TAG) during 2019?* | O Yes | ◎ No | |
| 7. How many dues-paying affiliate members were in your local section during 2019?* | 3 | | |
| 8. What was the approximate number of active volunteers in your local section during 2019?* | 40 | | |
| 9. Please estimate the number of new volunteers in your local section during 2019?* | 5 | | |
| 10. Please indicate all the ways that your local section recognized volunteers during 2019.* | | Certificates | |
| (Check all that apply.) | ✓ | Awards | |
| | | Letter to volunteer super | visor |
| | | Letter to volunteer | |
| | ✓ | Recognition at an event | |
| | | Recognition on web | |
| | ✓ | Recognition in newslette | r |
| | V | Other - e-mail t | o volunteers |
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| Local Section Administration Form - Communications | | | |
| How many local section meetings were held during | 3 | | |
| 2019?* 2. On average, how many members attended a local | 50 | | |
| section meeting during 2019?* | | | |
| 3. How did Councilors report to your local section members about national ACS matters during 2019?* | | At a section meeting | |
| (Check all that apply.) | ☑ | At an executive committee | ee meeting |
| | V | In the newsletter | |
| | V | On the local section web | site |
| | | In an email | |

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| | □ Other - |
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| Did your local section have a representative on your Regional Meeting Board or Steering Committee during 2019?* | ⊙ Yes ◯ No |
| 5. How does the sections leadership communicate information to its members (including social media channels)?* | Through our Newsletters and e-blasts |
| 5a How Often do these communications occur: | |
| 5a1 Number of newsletters published:* | 7 |
| 5a2 Number of meeting notices:* | 2 |
| 6. What social media does your local section use? (If selected, please provide the link.) | □ Facebook □ Twitter □ LinkedIn □ Other |
| 7. Did your local section have a website during 2019?* | |
| 7a. If the answer to 7 (above question) is YES, what was the URL for your local section's website? | www.kalamazooacs.org |
| 8. Did your local section post its Annual Report on your website during 2019?* | ⊙ Yes ◯ No |
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| website during 2019?* | |
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| Local Section Administration Form - Nomination | |
| Our Section would like to self-nominate for the Local Section Outstanding Performance Award.* | |
| 2. Please provide a summary self-nomination statement of 500-word or less. The summary statement should highlight local section's 2019 activities to support your nomination. | During 2019, the Kalamazoo Local Section of the American Chemical Society (KACS) held a two-day symposium to celebration the designation of the 1950-1990 steroid chemistry work of Kalamazoo scientists as a National Chemical Landmark. In addition, we hosted several very popular events such as our Awards Ceremony, Chemistry Day at the Museum, Chemists Celebrate Earth Day, Sustainable Science – Recycle a Poster, Speed Networking, and Program-in-a-Box Events. The section was granted an IPG to celebrate the International Year of the Periodic Table. Our college chemistry clubs were active, we doubled our number of Project Seed students, and we hired a consultant to revamp our website. The Kalamazoo Local Section was granted an Innovative Program Grant (IPG) entitled International Year of the Periodic Table: Beer Tap Take Over. The program was designed to celebrate 2019 being designated the International year of the Periodic Table and to raise awareness of ACS Project Seed. Pint glasses were designed, business cards were acquired with information about Project Seed, and IYPT pocket periodic tables were distributed to 36 high school to inform students about the ACS and IYPT. The International year of the Periodic Table was a very successful year for our local section! See below for more details. • On Feb 26, 2019 about 25 KACS members participated in the ACS Program-in-a-Box event celebrating the periodic table. • In April two Western Michigan University graduate students involved elementary students in hands-on activities and a discussion of lots of science as they presented 12 engaging experiments with Harry Potter themes. • We hosted our annual Chemist Celebrates Earth week events on April 13th and 20th, 2019. These events were well received both by the children and the adults in attendance. • On May 5th, KACS members participated in the Kalamazoo Marathon by staffing a Water. • We hosted our 46th Annual Awards Gathering on May 6th, 2019. Awards were presented to outstanding graduating college seniors, a highl |

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scientists, current scientists from local industries and Academia. The Landmark Dedication Ceremony included comments from Peter Dorhout (ACS Past President), Bill McElhone (Director, Kalamazoo Valley Museum), Mayor Hopewell (Kalamazoo), Mayor Randall (Portage), and Senator McCann (MI State Senate).

• Our third Speed Networking Event on September 30th, 2019 drew thirty college students and 22 mentors to interact and network. Our 2018 event was presented with a P3 Award at the 2019 Great Lakes Regional Meeting.

• The 33rd annual Chemistry Day at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum held on October 12th, 2019 was attended by 600 patrons. Sixty volunteers presented 15 hands-on activities.

• Our Sustainable Science: Recycle a Poster program in partnership with Zoetis was November 12th, 2019. The evening began with a Tribute presented to the KACS by Senator McCann recognizing IYPT. Our keynote speaker was Dr. Benjamin Swarts of Central Michigan University and the event concluded with 26 poster presentations.

Local Section Administration Form - Supporting Materials

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| kacs-newsletter-2019-01- 14.pdf | 0.75 MB | January 2019 Newsletter |
| kacs-newsletter-2019-02- 24.pdf | 1.58 MB | February 2019 Newsletter |
| kacs-newsletter-2019-03- 29.pdf | 0.35 MB | March 2019 Newsletter |
| kacs-newsletter-2019-05- 31.pdf | 1.01 MB | May 2019 Newsletter |
| kacs-newsletter-2019-08- 16.pdf | 0.41 MB | August 2019 Newsletter |
| kacs-newsletter-2019-09- 27.pdf | 0.62 MB | September 2019 Newsletter |
| kacs-newsletter-2019-10- 30.pdf | 0.61 MB | October 2019 Newsletter |

Local Section Administration Form - Approval

Comments

As can be seen in our self-nomination for a ChemLuminary Award, 2019 was a busy year for our Kalamazoo Section; many good outcomes resulted thanks to the dedicated efforts of a relatively small number of actively-engaged members who continue to volunteer to ascertain that our regular programs in education and outreach are supported, as well as to recognize the life-saving applications of chemistry to which our members have contributed (NHCL).

Approved & Submit for Review

Lydia Hines

02/12/2020

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

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Publish Comments

Beth Lorsbach:Kalamazoo local section congratulations on another successful year! You did a fantastic job of hosting numerous events throughout the year. As a fellow Michigander, I enjoyed learning that Kalamazoo was designated a National Historical Chemical Landmark! You continue to put on high quality programs and events such as Recycle-a-Poster event, a Chemistry Speed Networking event, and Earth Week Celebration to engage members and the public. Well done! If I could offer one bit of feedback, you are putting on tremendous events throughout the year, please take time to capture these in the events tab on FORMS. This is paramount to you being considered for Chemluminary awards but most importantly showcases all of the great things you are doing. Unfortunately, it is difficult to extract these events and the details around them from various newsletters. I know you have applied for grants through LSAC previously, but I wanted to let you know that some of the upcoming grants due dates have been changed or extended. Please contact Ben Hall (B_Hall@acs.org) or visit our website for more information. Thanks for all your contributions in 2019 and we look forward to seeing all the great things you will accomplish in 2020.

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