

Minutes for the Society for Analytical Chemists (SACP) Business Meeting

TIME: April 5, 2010 7:50 PM
PLACE: Maurice Falk Auditorium, Mellon Science Hall, Duquesne Univ.
ATENDEES: SACP Members: 75
Guests: 20

INTRODUCTION

Dr. Gregg Gould, SACP Chairman, greeted and welcomed everyone and mentioned that the meeting was special because it was former chairman's night. Gregg then thanked Bob and Julie Theys and Sonja Straub for the dinner arrangements. He also mentioned to see Bob if parking stickers were needed. Gregg then requested that Dr. Pat Bordell introduce the former SACP chairmen.

FORMER CHAIRMEN

Pat Bordell announced the former chairmen (or spouse of chairman if deceased) that were present, the years they served and their spouse. These are as follows:

Prefix	Last Name	First Name	Year	Spouse
Dr.	Baltrus	John P.	1998-99	
Mr.	Barsic	Nicholas F.	2006-07	Kathleen
Mr.	Baudoux	Robert W.	1978-79	Gretchen
Ms.	Benga	Carolyn	2003-04	spouse of the late Joseph Benga
Dr.	Chan	Jane N.	2001-02	
Dr.	Danchik	Richard S.	1979-80	Rita
Dr.	Gardner	Charles W.	1994-95	Penny
Dr.	Gibbon	Gerst A.	1982-83	Suzanne
Dr.	Gould	Gregg	Current 2009-2010	Lori
Mr.	Hollifield	Charles L.	2003-04	
Mr.	Howe	W. Richard	1986-87	Betsy
Mrs.	Judd	Jane H.	1973-74	
Mrs.	Kavoulakis	Mary	1974-75	spouse of the late Alex J. Kavoulakis
Dr.	Michael	Adrian C.	2007-08	Magali
Mr.	Obermiller	Edward L.	1969-70	
Dr.	Obrycki	Richard	1997-98	
Dr.	Patricia A.	Bordell	Chair-Elect for 2010-2011	
Ms.	Pifer	Janeth K.	2004-05	
Mrs.	Scanlon	Mary Catherine	1983-84	spouse of the late J. Kevin Scanlon
Mrs.	Shockey	Sarah L.	1993-94	Hal
Mrs.	Straub	Sonja	1967-68	spouse of the late William A. Straub
Mr.	Sumansky	L. Walter	2005-06	Irene
Mr.	Theodore	Michael	1989-90	spouse of the late Mary Louise Theodore
Mr.	Varine	John A.	2002-03	Gail
Mr.	Vassilaros	George L.	1970-71	Stella
Dr.	Windisch	Rita M.	1996-97	Richard

TREASURER REPORT

Gregg asked for a motion to approve the January 2010 treasurer report. Rich Danchik presented the motion and it was seconded by Rita Windisch. There was no discussion and unanimous approval.

MEETING MINUTES

Gregg asked for a motion to approve the January 2010 meeting minutes. Gregg also noted that there is a slight correction for the January minutes in that the number of guests should be changed from six to seven. Pat Bordell presented the motion for approval and it was seconded by Bob Theys. There was no discussion and unanimous approval. Gregg requested a motion to approve the February 2010 meeting minutes. Jim Manner presented the motion for approval and it was seconded by Nick Barsic. There was no discussion and unanimous approval.

BYLAWS

Gregg asked for a motion for approval of the bylaw changes that were recently proposed and emailed to the membership on April 13, 2010.

The bylaw is Section 13 addition to Article VIII which is proposed as follows:

Section 13 - If there is a conflict of interest between a committee member and a potential grant or award recipient, the committee member shall recuse himself/herself from voting on the proposal. A conflict of interest means any situation where the committee member or his/her immediate family could benefit financially.

The motion was presented by Pat Bordell and seconded by Bob Theys. There was no discussion and unanimous approval.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Gregg Gould	Chairman
Dr. Patricia Bordell	Chair-elect
Ms. Maria Ferguson	Treasurer
Mr. Manny Miller	Secretary
Dr. William Sharpe	Immediate Former Chairman (not present)

Chair-elect

Dr. Pat Bordell stated that the annual SACP/ACS Awards night will be held on Monday, May 24th in the Duquesne Ballroom on the fourth floor. Again we will be honoring many of our awardees and grant recipients. The SACP Kick Off meeting for the 2010-2011 year will be held on Thursday, August 19th, at Oakmont Country Club. Pat told everyone to mark your calendars since this date is quite different from the dates of the past few years, being on a Thursday rather than Monday.

Pat also announced that the SACP meetings for next session will be on the first Monday of the month, except for the September and January meetings which will be on the second Monday, due to the closeness of the holidays. Specifically, the meeting dates are as follows:

9/13/10 (skip Labor Day)

10/4/10

11/1/10

1/10/11 (3rd is too close to the 1st)

2/7/11

4/4/11 (Former Chair's night)

5/23/10 joint SACP/ACS banquet (DU Ballroom)

Treasurer

Maria Ferguson stated that February and March 2010 treasurer's report will soon be arriving and that these are reconciliation reports.

Gregg reminded everyone to get in the warrants, because the end of the 2009-10 SACP session is approaching.

Secretary

Manny Miller told the attendees that if they are presenting an oral report an electronic report should also be emailed to him. Manny reminded the group to initial or sign, if a guest, the attendance sheets.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Continuing Education

Dr. James Manner, Chairman of the SSP Continuing Education Committee stated that he would like to see more support for the Continuing Education events. He mentioned that the next SACP/SSP symposium event is titled "Astronomical View of Space: The Moon and Beyond via Telescopes from Earth and Space (Hubble)" It will be presented on April 17 at University of Pittsburgh, Thaw Hall, Room 11. Parking and lunch are included. The parking is at the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall and the lunch is at the Oakland Holiday Inn. The registration deadline is April 14.

Dr. Susan Zawacky, Chairman of the SACP Continuing Education Committee, reported on the results of the last SACP/SSP Continuing Education symposium which was titled "Studies of Alzheimer's, Dementia, and Sports Related Effects of Concussions" which was held at Sewickley Academy on March 27. The symposium featured four speakers from UPMC. Susan stated about 30 persons attended the symposium. Susan thanked the committees for all their hard work to present this very successful event.

Teacher Software Workshops (Science Outreach)

John Varine stated that Hub MacDonald and he conducted two half-day Short Courses at the National Science Teachers Association Convention in Philadelphia last month. The SACP Computer Software Short Course for Chemistry and Physical Science Teachers drew about 25 teachers and the SSP Light, Color and Spectroscopy for Kids Short Course drew 47 elementary and middle school teachers.

Carnegie Science Fair (Science Outreach)

Dr Fu-mei Lin, chairman of the Carnegie Science Fair Committee reported that this year, the Carnegie Science Fair was held on Friday, March 26 at Heinz's field. More than 1,000 projects were submitted. The Carnegie Science Fair Committee members, Debora Hreha, Fu-Tyan Lin, Patrick Journet, and Fu-mei Lin judged chemical projects. Three awards were given to the Junior/Intermediate Division and three awards to the Senior Division. The awardees, their sponsor teacher, and parents will be invited to attend the SACP awards dinner.

Carnegie Science Grant

Dr. Richard Danchik, SACP Chairman of the Carnegie Science Grant, stated that the grant is being finalized and will be going out later in the week. It includes \$12,000 from the SACP and \$10,000 from the SSP.

Tripartite Symposium

Beth Tomasovic, Chairman of the Tripartite symposium, reported that this year's symposium will be May 10th. The title of the symposium is "From the Crime Scene to the Lab: Furthering Forensic Science"

SACP 2010-2011 Graduate Student Fellowship

Dr. Hub MacDonald, Chairman of the Graduate Student Fellowship Committee, presented the following report:

Each year at a meeting during Pittcon, a committee from the American Chemical Society Division of Analytical Chemistry selects graduate students to receive either a 9 month fellowship or a 3 month fellowship. The SACP funds one 9 month fellowship and one 3 month fellowship.

The SACP provides recommendations to the Division of Analytical Chemistry based on the evaluations of SACP members. This year Jane Chan, Alice Chen, David Waldeck, Michael Theodore, Mordecai Treblow, Melinda Stephens and Hub MacDonald read and evaluated the applications of 31 graduate students. I wish to thank this group for their efforts to read and evaluate these in a timely fashion. This process involves a significant amount of effort.

As a result of this work and these deliberations, the SACP will be funding a 9 month Graduate Fellowship for Ms. Meng Wang of the University of Michigan and a 3 month fellowship for Mr. James Madsen of University of Texas at Austin.

Teacher Software Workshops (Science Outreach)

Dr. Hub MacDonald, Chairman of the Teacher Software Workshops reported that on February 5, John Varine and Hub MacDonald presented the SACP Computer Workshop to 12 High School Chemistry and Physics Teachers at the National Energy and Technology Center in Bruceton, PA. The teachers rated this Workshop very favorably.

Carnegie Library Grant and Carnegie Museum of Natural History

Dr. Richard Obrycki, Chairman of the Carnegie Library Grant, stated that both societies will again give money to the Carnegie Library, Science and Technology Department. He stated that money will also be given for the Carnegie Museum of Natural History. A total of \$9,000 will be given to support education and research.

Wrap-up Meeting

Dick Obrycki reported that the final committee meeting for 2009-10 will be held at Kennywood Park on June 18.

LIASON REPORTS

Pittsburgh Conference Presidents

Dr. Annette Wilson, President of Pittcon@2010 informed everyone the conference was a success in Orlando. There were almost 10,000 conferees, 2005 exhibitor booths and 960 exhibiting companies. The total attendance was almost 17,000. Annette thanked the committee for all their hard work.

SSP

Dr. Hub McDonald, Chairman of SSP, invited everyone to attend the SSP meeting on April 21. He stated that the Technology Forum Presentation will feature Mr. Gregory Boulos, Mid-Atlantic Regional Governor for Slow Food USA speaking on "Community Based Food Systems". Hub further related that the Technical Program will have Dr. Graham Fleming, Vice Chancellor for Research at the University of California Berkeley who will present the very timely topic "Energy, Spectroscopy and Photosynthesis". Hub mentioned that both presentations promise to be very interesting and unlike February, the weather should be more favorable.

Hub told the attendees the SSP Awards night will be May 19. Please come out and celebrate with our awardees and their families.

ACS

Dr. James Manner, ACS-Pittsburgh Section Chairman, said that the Sci-tech festival was held at Heinz Field and he thanked the student affiliates Kelly and Dan for their help judging during the Award ceremony. Jim also said that Rich Danchik and himself attended the National ACS Conference and awardees will be announced at the ACS/SACP and SSP dinners. Further details will be in the next *Crucible* issue.

OLD BUSINESS

Gregg stated that he has appointed a Tellers Committee to evaluate the SACP votes for the officers. The committee consists of Bill Sharpe as chairman and Rich Danchik and Rita Windisch. Please return the ballots to the conference office.

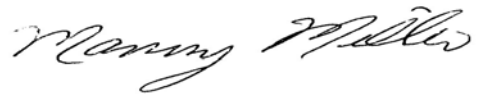
AJOURNMENT

Gregg asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was presented by Rich Danchik and seconded by Hub MacDonald. The meeting was adjourned.

TECHNICAL PRESENTATION

Dr. John Baltrus introduced the evening's technical speaker, Rick Sherman, Director of Institutional Advancement of the Chemical Heritage Foundation. His presentation was titled "The Chemical Heritage Foundation: Discover the Exciting Untold Story of Chemistry".

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Manny Miller". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Respectfully Submitted,".

Manny Miller
SACP Secretary 2009-10