

## ACS-GHS June Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2021

1. **Welcome/Introductions:**

Meeting convened at ~6:30 p.m. over Zoom (Online) by Dawn Friesen.

**Attendees:**

Board Members:	Position	Active Volunteers:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dawn Friesen	Chair	<input type="checkbox"/> Amiee Modic – AACT Liaison
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eme Abu	Chair-Elect	<input type="checkbox"/> Tai-Yen Chen
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crystal Young	Past Chair	<input type="checkbox"/> Jerry Yang
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin Ramirez	Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/> Cotton Star
<input type="checkbox"/> Sam Lewis	Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maryanne Mores
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laura Smith Callahan	Director	<input type="checkbox"/> Kiresha Johnson
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David E. Thompson	Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Usha Devathosh
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lynn Foster	Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safia Mohamed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Loïc Samuel	Director	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Germack	Councilor	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mamie Moy	Councilor	<b>General Attendees:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Larry Dennis	Councilor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tracey Willis
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amber Hinkle	Councilor	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Carolyn Burnley	Councilor	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Valerie Lafitte	Councilor	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Javoris Hollingsworth	Alt. Councilor	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Snigdha Chennamaneni	Alt. Councilor	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kerry Spilker	Alt. Councilor; Community Affairs Chair	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Bob Botto	Alt. Councilor	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Tom Malloy	Alt. Councilor	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>VACANT</b>	Alt. Councilor	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Houston	Awards Chair	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Roxie Allen	Education Chair	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Needed for Quorum:</b>	<b>12</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quorum Met		<input type="checkbox"/>

2. **Adoption of May 2021 Meeting Minutes:** Dawn Friesen

**ACTION ITEM: Kevin to send out May Minutes to voting Board members via email.**

3. **Budget Update:** Sam Lewis

No update

4. **Committee Updates:**

I. Programming Committee: Eme Abu

- Younger Chemists Committee (YCC): Safia Mohamed
- Women Chemists Committee (WCC): Lynn Foster
- Minority Affairs Committee (MAC): Javoris Hollingsworth
- Engineering Council of Houston Liaison (ECH): Larry Dennis
- Senior Chemists Committee (SCC): Carolyn Burnley
- Seminars & Summer Social: Eme Abu

H.N. Cheng seminar is up and available for viewing on the GHS YouTube channel

Upcoming Seminars:

Corina Rogge (MFAH) – Tuesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>

Madeleine Swortwood (SHSU) – Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>

Fall Social:

- Thursday Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6 pm (approx. 1.5 hr - 2 hr)
  - Planning for 20 people
  - Selection of 5 wines at \$24/person
  - Classic charcuterie boards \$32/3 people (approx. 7 boards for the event if all 20 people show up)
    - Selection of cured meats and cheeses served with herbed crostini or crackers, nuts, olives, in house pickled veggies, fresh or dried fruits and honey or jams.
  - Tax 8.25% and gratuity is 20% on groups larger than 6.
  - Total is approximately \$50/person
    - $(24 + 10.6 + 6.98 + 8.31 = \$49.89$  covering wine, board/3, tax, gratuity)
  - Can we vote to bring down the cost to \$25/person?
  - Total cost to ACS if approved and all 20 guests attend is \$500
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- Science Café:  
Kerry organizing event on Chemistry of Bread, looking to host in-person component at an artisan bakery in town

II. Awards Committee: Lisa Houston

SWRM will be held in person, Student Travel Scholarships will be available

III. Education Committee: Roxie Allen

- Chemistry Olympiad: Jerry Yang
- Project Seed: Carolyn Burnley & Javoris Hollingsworth
- AACT Liaison: Amiee Modic
- High School Chemistry Clubs Liaison: Usha Devathosh
- Middle School Liaison: Kiresha Johnson
- Scholarship Exam: Tai-Yen Chen
- Student Affiliates: Loïc Samuel
- Science Fairs: ECH Liaison, Larry Dennis

IV. Community Affairs: Kerry Spilker

Kerry to review Community Affairs webpage for updates.

- Kids & Chemistry: Bob Botto
- Education Rainbow Challenge: Eme Abu
- Industry Relations: **Vacant**
- Government Affairs: Kerry Spilker

V. Communications & Technology: Laura Smith Callahan

- Zoom account up for renewal before July 20, 2021 – work out PayPal arrangement with Sam or some other way to take off of Laura's credit card?
- PR Makeover update?

VI. Strategic Planning: Amber Hinkle

VII. Membership: David Germack

VIII. Financial Advisory: Larry Dennis

IX. Fundraising (Ad hoc): Snigdha Chennamaneni

5. **Other Business:**

- GHS is now a collaborating organization with SPE-GCS on Fall Hiring Event – no cost except cross-promotion, GHS members can register to attend for free.

<b>Meeting Adjourned At:</b>	~8:00 p.m.
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