

ACS Division of Biological Chemistry
Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, Nov 8th 2023 (changed from October 25, 2023)
5:00-6:00 pm, EDT

David Giedroc
Jen Heemstra
Chris Whitman
Christy Chow
Kate Carroll
Jimmy Houglan
Sarah Keane
Mark Hedglin
Jen Petter
Aaron Smith
Catherine Eichhorn
Loren Williams
Deborah Rothman

Approve and accept the minutes of the previous meeting (August 15, 2023)

1) Chair's report (David, Jen)

Deep pool but not diverse – it is surprising that in the early to mid-career there is not more diversity. How did Sarah Slavoff get diversity in the ACS Chem Biol YIA?

Abeles-Jencks – one concern is that donors are getting the award. (IRS rules). Keep this on the radar

Lilly – Polly – it was decided to move on

Update on Convergent Chemistry Community (CCC) “**Glycoscience**” by CELL, BIOL, ANYL, and CARB (30K). David will post in Teams under announcements in Files

Bylaws complete and approved
Name change on agenda for SP 2024

Election to the Society's Committee on Science for 2024-2026. Election closed on Nov 6. Only Chair and Councilors are eligible to vote. Put on radar to next year.

2) Treasurer's report (Christy)

ACS ID YIA – Hammes. Where's the money? (Ping one of Alana's assistants?) Applications closed on Dec 7. Not getting the funds from ACS

A-J – maybe reduce to 5K

Nothing new – finishing up reimbursement for SF

3) Secretary's report (Chris)

Election is ongoing (started Oct 13) –

4) Program committee report: (Kate)

SP24 programming (see Dec meeting minutes) March 17-21

Award Sessions – lots of exciting programming (3 National Awards, 2 Biol Chem awards, 2 special symposia)

DBC has 20 travel Awards, but not being used (3 applications so far)

Please go (host a session)

5) Nominations committee report (Sarah)

Sarah/Michael/Mark put together a great slate of candidates

6) Awards committee report (David)

Discussion/Feedback about how to get more diversity in pool

UG DBC Awards – (Regina) Met once -working on getting ACS to pony up 1 year memberships. Lots of Swag

Need money.

7) Communications committee report discussion (David/Jen)

Update from Jen – newsletter, content, website (all to go live on Jan 1, 2024)

Generate Content for newsletter (short format interviews)

8) Strategic Planning Retreat (David)

Any updates?

9) Other business

Councilor's report (from August meeting)