

Department of Chemistry
Faculty Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2005

Present: Babler, Becker, Boerger, Crumrine (Chair), Dias, Florian, Freitas, Graham, Hall (Secretary), Olsen, and Thomas

Absent: Boyd, Chiarelli, Fitch, Herlinger, and Schmeling

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF March 3 and April 7, 2005

The minutes were approved

Chairpersons Announcements: Dr. David Crumrine

Congratulations!

- **Willetta Greene-Johnson** won a Sujack Teaching Award!
- **David French** NSF Review committee for NMR proposals in DC yesterday through tomorrow.
- **Tim Thomas** spoke on Tuesday for the Tau Kappa Epsilon Scholar Hour with Jay Williams of Political Science
- **Alanah Fitch**
<http://www.chemistry.org/portal/a/c/s/1/acdisplay.html?DOC=Chemistry%5cindex.html>
URL reference for a two page article about Alanah Fitch in the Spring 2005 edition of 'Chemistry' magazine.
- **Ken Olsen** for arranging 10 students for this summer's NSF-REU Program! Say hello to your student via email.

Thank you!

- **Dan Graham** wrote and will administer ACS Scholarship exam at LU Sat 8:30 am 5/7/05. He will grade it TOO.
- **Martina Schmeling and Tim Thomas** are working on Deptl. Website. (We finally got some picture proofs.)
- **Paul Chiarelli, Frank Dias, Ken Olsen** for administering the ACS Short Gen Chem exam to start our Assessment.
- **Jim Babler** spoke at ACS Affiliate Meeting.
- **Jim Babler, Dan Becker, Paul Chiarelli, Dan Graham, Al Herlinger, Ken Olsen, Tim Thomas, and DC** all attended the Spaghetti and Undergrad Awards Dinner.
- **Ken Olsen and Julie Petry** are working to sign up new Graduate Students.
- **Angie Boerger, Bert Kuehlhorn, and DC** for preparing & administering the National Chemistry Olympiad 4/15/05
- **Eugene Tarasov, Prakash Sanjeeviah, and Calvin** from Sentinel for repairing the computer for the Pfizer FT-IR.
- **Carol Grimm** is collating all the TCE data.

Welcome:

- **Mehboob Peeran** is ready to start his 16th year with us.

Events:

- **Fri. 6 May** Last day of classes.
- **Sat 7 May 8:30 am** ACS Scholarship Exam. **1 pm** Cumulative Exams
- **Mon. 9 May – Fri. 14 May** Final Exams Chem 102/152 1:45 Thur 12 May
- **Wed. 11 May** STUDY DAY & **4 pm** Open House for Mary Boyd!
- **Fri 13 May** Gibbs Award Dinner and Address Prof David Evans, Harvard, "Control of Stereochemical Relationship.."

- **Mon. 16 May 10 am.** Common Makeup Final
- **Tue 17 May** Chicago SAS Workshop on Mass Spectroscopy, Holiday Inn Rolling Meadows
- **Thur 19 May** Graduate School Graduation 4 pm Gentile 7pm A&S Honors Convocation
- **Fri. 20 May** Graduation Undergraduate Sciences 4 pm Gentile. Thanks to Becker, Freitas, and Graham!
- **Tue. 31 May** REU Students begin

Future

- **Mon. 23 May** Summer School First Session begins
- **Tue. 5 July** Summer School Second Session begins
- **Fri. 12 August** Summer School Second Session Ends.
- **Mon. 22 August** New Graduate Student Week
- **Mon. 29 August** Fall Term begins
- **Sun. 29- Wed. 31** ACS Washington Meeting
- **Sat 8 October** Mid West Enzyme Conference at LU. Jan Florian & Ken Olsen organizing

Administrative Issues:

- 1) ACS Standard Exams are being used for LU Gen. Chem. Assessment! Dr. Dias stated that his class did rather well with the exams. Dr. Olsen has not yet given his exam. Data on the results can be supplied by next week.
- 2) Phoenix insert had new places for students to study since Science Library closed (Also FH-204)
- 3) Contracts have been mailed. Babler and Freitas have received them, so far.
- 4) Dr. Patrick Daubenmire will be teaching General Chemistry this fall. Also assisting with the student assessments.
- 5) Departmental Evaluation is to occur this coming fall! (Planning is very important!)
- 6) Teacher Course Evaluations need to be completed earlier next fall i.e. before Green forms.
- 7) Chemical Waste Accumulation Logs Weekly initials needed for each one. June Pickup planned.
- 8) Dept lab person will be hired. The Ad will appear soon.
- 9) Approval for 1 year Dr. Boyd replacement. The Ad will appear soon.
- 10) Dean of Graduate School and VP for Research searches continue.
- 11) Department to vote, next semester, on approval of full time non tenure faculty to be allowed to vote on department issues other than graduate program issues.

Faculty comments

Several faculty members would like to discuss the state of the department with the administration to voice concerns regarding departmental issues.

Committee Reports – None

Old Business – None

ADJOURNMENT: 12:30