

Indiana State University Chapter of the
American Chemical Society Student Affiliates

Minutes of Meeting #9

February 28, 2008

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Place: Science 018

Officers: R. Chase (President), M. Schulte (Secretary), R. Galloway (Treasurer), M. Updike (Social Coordinator), L. Rosenhein (Faculty Advisor)

Total Members in attendance: 11

1. *Devaney Elementary Science Fair Outreach/Cub Scouts Outreach*

As you probably heard, the Devaney event had to be cancelled at the last minute due to ice storms. We were literally getting ready to walk out the office door, supplies all ready to do Elephant Toothpaste and Five Colors from One Solution, when we got the phone call. The school said they may reschedule the event; we will keep you posted. Thanks to everyone who helped with the planning and showed up despite the bad weather! The Cub Scouts activity did take place, and it was a great success. The kids had lots of questions and seemed to enjoy the demonstrations a lot. We got a lot of compliments from the parents and the troop leader, so good job everyone! We couldn't have put on this event without everyone's help.

2. *Kids & Chemistry*

The next Kids & Chemistry is the weekend after Spring Break, March 22. We are wanting to do an Easter-themed event (experiments with eggs?) – let us know if you know of any good experiments. As always, we need volunteers to staff this event! This is the LAST Kids & Chemistry of the year, so if you haven't helped at one yet, come see what you have been missing!

3. *Chem4Kids*

Peggy gave a Chem4Kids update. She will need people to deliver flyers next week – sign up for times in the ACS office. Also, see her if you would like to help pick out experiments or come up with a budget. We need lots of people to step up and help plan this event, so consider lending your time to make it great!

4. *Humane Society Outreach*

Amanda Melberg communicated information about a possible outreach between the university and the Terre Haute Humane Society. The Humane Society has suggested that student organizations donate the funds to build a doghouse (~\$40), then the organization will be allowed to decorate the doghouse however they want. The decorated structures will then be displayed around campus, and a contest will be held to determine a winner. We discussed participating in this event, and all members present were in favor of it. Our doghouse will, of course, have a chemistry theme! The Humane Society has said, however, that they will not hold this event if at least 10 student organizations do not sign up to participate. We will update you further when we have more information. If you have artistic talents, we may be calling on you!

The next meeting will be March 20. Have a great (and safe) Spring Break!

Submitted 2/29/08 by Mike Schulte