



American Chemical Society – Detroit Local Section Education Committee

Mission: The Education Committee of the Detroit Local Section of the American Chemical Society exists to improve the practice and process of chemistry education in the Metropolitan Detroit Area.

The means by which the Committee realizes this mission includes, but is not limited to the following:

- § Acting as a liaison between the ACS, college, and high school community, especially through the Michigan Science Teachers Association (MSTA), the Metropolitan Detroit Science Teachers Association (MDSTA) and the Southeastern Michigan Chemistry Teachers Organization (SEMCTO).
- § Fostering professional growth in chemistry through sponsorship of professional development activities and funding independent teacher development initiatives.
- § Promoting the study of chemistry through the local Chemistry Olympiad Exam.
- § Acting as a clearinghouse for chemical information and events in the Metro Detroit area.
- § Rewarding and recognizing excellence in chemistry education.

Meeting Agenda for Thursday 7 February 2008

- 1. Winter 2008 Professional Development Day Wrap-up – Ford Rouge “Green” Tour**
- 2. Ed Committee Website – Jeff Finnan**
What should be on such a site? (mission, membership, meetings, professional development event, PTEG, pictures of events, etc.)
- 3. Academic/pedagogical topic discussion of the month – ?**
- 4. USNCO 2008**
Stuffing packets for Local Section Exam – when/where? college stuff?
Saturday 15 March (9 AM - 12:30 PM) – Training Session at UMD
Session assignments arranged by Chris Diehl: Diehl, Benigna, Finnan, Convery, Kitzmann, others?
Wednesday 19 March (3:30 - 8:30 PM) – Local Section Exam at UMD
PTEG presenters – Diehl, Finnan, Graham, Kitzmann, Kosmas
Thursday 17 April (afternoon/evening) – National Exam at UMD
- 5. MSTA 6-8 March 2008, Radisson Hotel and Lansing Center, Lansing**
Distribute ACS freebies (Jeff, Victoria, Mark B, Meghann)
- 6. Outstanding Undergraduate Awards 2008 – E-mail sent to solicit awardees**
- 7. PTEG 2008 – Announcement e-mailed to ACS Ed Committee list, SEMCTO, MSTA**
Deadline for applications is Friday 11 April
- 8. Upcoming Conferences/Meetings**
Central Regional ACS – 10-14 June in Columbus, OH
BCCE – 27-31 July at Indiana University in Bloomington, IN
ChemEd – 2011 at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, MI
- 9. Other items?**
- 10. Next Meeting – 15 March USNCO Training Session, 9 AM, UMD;**
3 April 2008, 7 PM, Mio House