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MINUTES

Separations Division Online Planning Meeting

Friday, August 11, 2023, 2:10pm – 3:00pm (EDT)

Attendance (via phone or Webex):

Seth Huggins	Isaac Gamwo	Marina Tsianou
Atanas Serbezov	Tarun Poddar	Alice He
Caryn Heldt	Dan Summers	Haiqing Lin
Paul Collins	Evan Hatakeyama	CJ Kurth
Steve Thiel	Tony Cai	Handan Tezel
Izak Nieuwoudt	Greg Cantley	Gerard Capellades
Seyi Oduyungbo	Bill Phillip	Heather Chenette

Approval of Minutes from May 5, 2023 (Atanas Serbezov)

A motion to approve the minutes as distributed by email passed by acclamation.

Action Items Follow-up (Seth Huggins)

- 2022 Division Newsletter: The newsletter is now posted on the web site.
- "About" Information for the Division Web Site: Write ups needed from areas
2b - Christopher Burcham
2c - David Cantu
2d - William Phillip
2h - Josh Thompson

<https://www.aiche.org/community/sites/divisions/separations/separations-division-areas>

Send the write ups to Steve Thiel.

2023 Division & Forums Activities Survey (Seth Huggins)

The survey is from CTOC. Input for the survey was collected by a WebEx poll. Seth Huggins will compile the responses and submit the survey by August 31.

Updates from AIChE (Seth Huggins)

See slides in the Appendix.

2023 Separations Division Award Winners (Dan Summers, Haiqing Lin and CJ Kurth)

See slides in the Appendix.

Action Item: Steve Thiel to work with the AIChE webmaster to update and correct the information on the Division web page.

Awards Dinner (Marina Tsianou)

The dinner will be off-site at Maggiano's Little Italy Orlando. The venue is reserved but the final contract and the menu have not yet been finalized. The cost is of concern. The fee is set at \$70 and the Division will subsidize the difference.

Action Item: To minimize the cost to the Division, alcoholic drinks will not be included in the ticket.

Action Item: An agenda item will be included at the annual planning meeting to discuss the awards dinner fee for 2024 and beyond.

Actions for the Annual Meeting (Seth Huggins)

See slides in the Appendix.

Separations Division Web Page – Publications Content (Atanas Serbezov)

The “Publications” area on the Division’s web site currently hosts only the newsletter. It was proposed to expand the content of this section with book titles and other references related to separations. There was an agreement that adding more content is a good idea but there need to be more specific guidelines on the type of content and its curation.

An ad hoc committee was formed to develop guidelines for populating the “Publications” section on the Division web site. The ad hoc committee members are Atanas Serbezov, Steve Thiel, Isaac Gamwo, and Seth Huggins. If someone else wants to join the ad hoc committee, please contact Atanas Serbezov serbezov@rose-hulman.edu.

Action Item: The ad hoc committee will develop a draft proposal and present it at the annual planning meeting.

APPENDIX

2023 Separations Division Planning Meeting

Aug 11, 2023

2023 Community of Division & Forum Officers - July Webinar

Key point from the call regarding Division & Forum Financials Reporting:

- Starting with 2023 Q3, Division & Forum Financials will be provided quarterly by the end of the month following the end of quarter.
 - Ex: Financials for July, August, & September will be provided in October.
- Q4 preliminary reports will be distributed to Divisions & Forums in late January of the following year.
- The year-end finalized reports will be distributed in March of the following year.
 - To ensure that the annual financials will be finalized, any prior year invoices will need to be submitted by early February at the latest.
- Special requests can be submitted on a case-by-case basis, divisions and forums can reach out to their staff or membership liaisons for more information.

Applications are open for the 2023 IDEAL Star Award, we encourage all divisions and forums to nominate individuals and teams active in IDEAL initiatives within or around their communities: <https://www.aiche.org/Equity-Diversity-Inclusion/community/awards/ideal-star-award>

2023 Award Winners

Award	Area (for GSRA)	Winner	University (for GSRA)
Founders		Scott Husson	Clemson
Kunesh		Xiao Su	UIUC
Innovation		Ruilan Guo	Notre Dame
Gerhold Award		Ranil Wickramasinghe	U Arkansas
GSRA	2A. Distillation and Absorption	Xinrui Cai	University of Oklahoma
GSRA	2C. Extraction	Adam McNeeley	Virginia Tech
GSRA	2D. Membranes	Ryan Duchanois	Rice University
GSRA	2D. Membranes	Talieh Alebrahim	University at Buffalo
GSRA	2D. Membranes	Nicole Kathryn Moehring	Vanderbilt University
GSRA	2G. Bioseparations	Natalie Nold	Michigan Technological Univ

Separations Award page needs an update:

Mixed 2022/2023 winners with errors in award titles: <https://www.aiche.org/community/sites/divisions/separations/awards>

Only 1 GSRA award is listed:: <https://www.aiche.org/community/awards/separations-division-graduate-student-research-award>

Activities for Annual Meeting :

- **Set up business and planning meeting for Division and Areas**
 - The rollover email (Transferring events from 2022 to 2023) to be going out this week.
 - Review and adjust if needed.
 - To avoid AV fees, make sure that no AV in Confex is requested and a budget code is not added
- **Finalize Award Dinner Contract**
- **Prepare for Annual Conf Planning Meeting**
 - Division Leadership and Succession (Seth)
 - Financial Update (Tarun)
 - CTOC Update (Paul C)
 - Awards (Haiqing/CJ)
 - Division Diversity/IDEAL efforts (Caryn)
 - Area Reports (Area Chairs)
 - Division Website (Steve)
 - Newsletter (Marina)
 - Other Business (All)

SepDiv Web Page Publications Content

Add information for newly published books by SepDiv members

