



Northeastern Local Section Administration Form 2013

Local Section Administration Form - Governance	
1. How many times did the executive committee conduct governance business during 2013?*	9
2. How many members were there in the executive committee during 2013?*	6
3. How did the executive committee communicate with one another during 2013?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Email <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Teleconference <input type="checkbox"/> ACS Network <input type="checkbox"/> Other -
4. What percentage of your councilors were in official attendance at the Spring and Fall ACS Council meetings?*	100%
5. Did a member of your local section attend the Local Section Leaders Track at the 2013 ACS Leadership Institute?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
6. Did your local section have a succession and/or leadership development plan during 2013?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
7. How did your local section identify future leaders and get them into the leadership pipeline during 2013?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self-nomination <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solicitation or advertising <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Identify active committee members <input type="checkbox"/> Formal leadership training <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Long term plan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Outreach to new members <input type="checkbox"/> Arm-twisting <input type="checkbox"/> Other -
8. Did your local section conduct an officer election during 2013? *	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
9. Did your local section conduct its elections electronically during 2013?*	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
10. How many members voted in your local section officer election in 2013?*	335
Questions 11-13 provide the opportunity for your section's leadership to communicate successes, challenges, goals, and progress towards meeting those goals. We want to hear from you! Please use the required comment boxes to share your thoughts about your section. In questions 12 and 13, do not feel limited by having spaces indicated for the top three goals. Other goals can be added in the comment box if needed.	

<p>11. 2013 Chair's report: Please provide a narrative of the past year's activity/successes/challenges:*</p>	<p>2013 was another strong growth year for NESACS. The Section continued to plan and organize a variety of programs featuring outstanding speakers on current important topics. Significant progress was made towards NESACS' long term goals with the combined efforts of our 27 dynamic committees. NESACS won a Chemlumniary Award at September's ACS National Meeting for an Outstanding Collaboration between a Local Section and a Division and three of our members were named as ACS Fellows. During the year, one member received a 2013 Outreach Volunteer of the Year for the Northeastern Local Section, and a member received the Northeast Region Award for Volunteer Service. In addition, 27 ACS Scholars were/are studying within NESACS, and several members as well as ACS student chapters of NESACS received awards, grants and recognition for their outstanding activities.</p> <p>In keeping towards a 2013 major goal, reaching out with better communications, public relations activities maintained a strong momentum to integrate various communication alternatives to inform and engage our members. New events (1st quarter AAAS Family Science Days outreach, the Brihan Maharashtra Mandal Indian cultural conference (BMM), the first meeting of the proposed southeastern area Subsection Meeting) were reported and reached a total of 2,300 people with outreach and STEM events.</p> <p>NESACS sponsored National Chemistry Week both at the Museum of Science-Boston featuring two Phyllis A. Brauner Memorial lectures presented by Dr. Bassam Shkhashiri, ACS Past President and at the Boston Children's Museum featuring hands-on activities and demonstrations. Approximately 1,700 participated in the NCW events which included 469 students who attended the High School Science Series held during NCW.</p> <p>The Subsection Task Force (STF) was established in 2013 to explore the feasibility of establishing subsections within NESACS to help connect and engage members in areas that are remote from our metro Boston area where most activities of the Section occur. These subsection areas include southeastern Massachusetts (SE-MA) and most of New Hampshire. The first event in SE-MA was held at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth (UMD) in October featuring Madeleine Jacobs, ACS Executive Director and CEO. The title of her presentation was "Everything You Always Wanted to Know about ACS, But Were Afraid to Ask." The event was very well attended by both members and some prospective members.</p> <p>Towards to the goals targeting to increasing the support for career development, enhancing global collaboration and elevating the fund raising effort, the Section re-established its Fund-raising committee. The infrastructure now is in place to easily send an email and attach the fund-raising letter to request funds. The fund-raising campaign was launched in October and has already shown results.</p> <p>As a part of 13th annual German exchange program, NESACS sponsored the symposium, "International Chemistry Connections," at NERM. The Section also participated in the Entrepreneurial Session of the BMM Indian Cultural conference in Providence, RI, by helping to organize an educational session at Northeastern University with speakers from US and Indian Universities. The ACS President, Miranda Wu spoke at this session. The Public Relations Committee and the Medicinal Chemistry Group sponsored entrepreneurial workshops and networking to help local chemists in their career development. In LinkedIn, we now have > 3,000 members, an increase of >1,700 in 2013</p> <p>In conclusion, the Section made significant progress towards its 2013 top three goals which involved the combined efforts of our numerous committees and our dedicated members and volunteers. The Section will continue to face the challenges to reach out and engage more of our members and volunteers and to expand our funding effort to help execute the Section Board's long term strategic plan.</p>
<p>12. 2014 Chair's goals for the Section</p>	
<p>a. Please list your top 3 goals:</p>	<p>Expand the participation of Members in the activities of the Northeastern Section.</p>

	<p>Provide Members with guidance and support at all stages - student, early career and mid/late career. Stimulate middle & high school students' interest in STEM.</p> <p>Inform the public and elected leaders about the positive contributions and value of the chemical sciences.</p>
b. What are your concerns and challenges?*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many Members are underemployed or unemployed, options for graduates have diminished, and young faculty have difficulty starting their research programs. Creative new approaches to career planning and job creation are necessary. • The pool of American-educated scientists must expand and stimulating opportunities must be increased; access to permanent residency/citizenship should be facilitated for foreign-born scientists already in the US who are contributing to our scientific enterprise, particularly those educated within our section. • Cross-disciplinary activities should integrate across the sciences and related fields, e.g., medicine and engineering. • Section-based programs should take advantage of the expertise of senior chemists and allow them opportunities to remain scientifically active after retirement, perhaps matched with younger colleagues or students. • Opportunities for international education, exchanges and collaborations should be fostered. • Ethics must be an important part of scientific training. • Local companies should be engaged in Section activities. • The initial success of the NESACS southeastern members in forming a subsection should be extended to members living in New Hampshire who should also have local access to the ACS; forming another distinct section or subsection will provide better contacts and opportunities than they have now, since most Northeastern Section activities take place within 25 miles of Boston.
13. 2014 Chair-Elect's goals for the Section	
a. Please list your top 3 goals:	In line with the ACS Strategic Plan, "Empower an inclusive community of members with networks, opportunities, resources, and skills to thrive in the global economy". Foster networking opportunities, run career workshops, and connect students with professionals.
	<p>Increase the level of engagement of NESACS members in our section activities. Adjust the content and logistics (location, duration) of our programming; actively collaborate with the NSYCC; and improve our communication, including making the website more visually appealing and user-friendly.</p> <p>Increase our fiscal health. Make electronic delivery of the Nucleus the default and charging those who request paper copies and experiment with innovative ways to reduce the deficits we accrue with monthly meetings.</p>
b. What are your concerns and challenges?*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are we innovative and relevant? While we have a solid group of dedicated volunteers, I am concerned that as a whole, we rely too much on doing things the way we have always done things and are not nimble enough in maintaining open-mindedness and being willing to change and embrace new ideas. • How well do we serve our members, a group rich in diversity? In a similar vein, we need to bring new people and new energy into our board and active membership, and try to increase the representation among different demographics: including age, employment status, scientific interests. • How do we engage our members? We are the largest local section in terms of membership. The geographical region we span is large and it can be difficult to engage members in far-reaching areas.

Local Section Administration Form - Organization

1. Did your local section have any active committees with two or more members during 2013?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No												
a. If the response to 1 (above question) is YES, please select the committee and enter the chair's name.	<table> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Awards</td> <td>Dorothy Phillips</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Budget/Finance</td> <td>Jim Piper</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Career assistance/Employment</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Chemistry Olympiad</td> <td>Steve Lantos</td> </tr> </table>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Awards	Dorothy Phillips	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Budget/Finance	Jim Piper	<input type="checkbox"/>	Career assistance/Employment		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chemistry Olympiad	Steve Lantos
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	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Activities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuing Education Mukund Chorghade <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational Marietta Schwartz <input type="checkbox"/> EHS <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government Affairs Doris Lewis <input type="checkbox"/> Industry Relations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Long Range Planning Ruth Tanner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Membership/Membership Retention Michaeline Chen <input type="checkbox"/> Mentoring <input type="checkbox"/> Minority Affairs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newsletter/Publications James Phillips <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nominations Ruth Tanner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Professional Relations Mukund Chorghade <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project SEED Cheryl Schnitzer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Relations Jack Driscoll <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Chemists <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Women Chemists Pam Mabrouk <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Younger Chemists Emily Lewis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Fund-Raising Committee Mark Tebbe Publications Constitution and Bylaws
2. How many subsections were active in your local section during 2013?*	0
3. How many subsection meetings were held by your local section during 2013?*	0
4. How many topical groups were active in your local section during 2013?*	2
5. How many topical group meetings were held in your local section during 2013?*	2
6. Did your local section support (financial or otherwise) an existing Technician Affiliate Group (TAG) during 2013?*	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
7. How many dues-paying affiliate members were in your local section during 2013?*	11
8. What was the approximate number of active volunteers in your local section during 2013?*	150
9. Please estimate the number of new volunteers in your local section during 2013?*	50
10. Please indicate all the ways that your local section recognized volunteers during 2013.* (Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificates <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Awards <input type="checkbox"/> Letter to volunteer supervisor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter to volunteer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recognition at an event <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recognition on web <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recognition in newsletter <input type="checkbox"/> Other -

Local Section Administration Form - Communications

1. How many local section meetings were held during 2013?*	9
2. On average, how many members attended a local section meeting during 2013?*	65
3. How did Councilors report to your local section members about national ACS matters during 2013?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At a section meeting <input type="checkbox"/> At an executive committee meeting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In the newsletter

	<input type="checkbox"/> On the local section web site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other - Written report for Section Meeting
4. Did your local section have a representative on your Regional Meeting Board or Steering Committee during 2013?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
5. How does the sections leadership communicate information to its members?*	<p>Section Journal: THE NUCLEUS is our monthly news publication and is available as hard copy and e-copy in pdf format. It contains the monthly meeting information, special announcements of coming events, award information, special reports, contact information of the Officers, a Calendar section for seminars occurring in the area, and a listing of a business directory.</p> <p>Section Website: www.nesacs.org is an extensive resource for meetings, current events, career programs, employment opportunities, awards, publications, information about the Section including a listing of the officers and a Handbook Section, among others Social Medias</p> <p>Facebook: www.facebook.com/nesacs lends itself to posting the most up-to-date and immediate happenings of the month that may not have made other postings. It serves as a place where members may comment on programs and Section activities.</p> <p>LinkedIn: NESACSLinkedIn@network is a source of ongoing information from our members to other members about career opportunities, meetings, and conferences. It serves as a place to also link up with other members.</p> <p>Constant Contact: a convenient way to easily and quickly send out information to the total membership. It is used by the Public Relations Chair and by the NESACS Executive Secretary.</p> <p>Section Blog: http://blog.nesacs.org/ which focuses on career management and developments</p> <p>Executive Secretary: A super efficient and very capable secretary who is the person to whom all of our members can direct their inquires for an immediat</p>
5a How Often do these communications occur:	
5a1 Number of newsletters published:*	10
5a2 Number of meeting notices:*	29
6. Did your local section have a website during 2013?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
6a. If the answer to 6 (above question) is YES, what was the URL for your local section's website?	www.nesacs.org
7. Did your local section post its Annual Report on your website during 2013?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

Local Section Administration Form - Nomination

1. Our Section would like to self-nominate for the Local Section Outstanding Performance Award.*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
2. Please provide a summary self-nomination statement of 500-word or less. The summary statement should highlight local section's 2013 activities to support your nomination.	<p>In 2013, NESACS continued to plan and to organize a variety of programs featuring outstanding speakers on current important topics. Significant progress was made towards NESACS' long term goals with the combined efforts of our 27 dynamic committees. NESACS won a Chemlumniary Award at September's ACS National Meeting for an Outstanding Collaboration between a Local Section and a Division and three of our members were named as ACS Fellows. During the year, one member received a 2013 Outreach Volunteer of the Year for the Northeastern Local Section, and a member received the Northeast Region Award for Volunteer Service. In addition, 27 ACS Scholars were/are studying within NESACS, and several members as well as ACS student chapters of NESACS received awards, grants and recognition for their outstanding activities.</p> <p>In keeping towards a 2013 major goal, reaching out with better communications, public relations activities maintained a strong momentum to integrate various communication alternatives to inform and engage our members. New events (1st quarter AAAS Family Science Days outreach, the Brihan Maharashtra Mandal Indian cultural conference (BMM), the first meeting of the proposed southeastern area Subsection Meeting) were reported and reached a total of 2,300 people with outreach and STEM events.</p> <p>NESACS sponsored National Chemistry Week both at the Museum of Science-Boston featuring two Phyllis A.</p>

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Local Section Administration Form - Supporting Materials

File Name	File Size	Brief Description
AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT.pdf	1.78 MB	AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT
Brauner Report.pdf	1.77 MB	Brauner Report
Brauner photo-1.JPG	2.52 MB	Brauner photo-1
Brauner photo-2.JPG	2.02 MB	Brauner photo-2
Brauner photo-3.JPG	1.7 MB	Brauner photo-3
Brauner photo-4.JPG	2.04 MB	Brauner photo-4
Chemical Education Report.pdf	1.86 MB	Chemical Education Report
Esselen Award Report.pdf	1.76 MB	Esselen Award Report
Fundraising Report.pdf	1.78 MB	Fundraising Report
LONG RANGE PLANNING REPORT.pdf	1.76 MB	LONG RANGE PLANNING REPORT
Membership Report.pdf	1.78 MB	Membership Report
Membership Letter.pdf	1.78 MB	Membership Letter
National Chemistry Week Report.pdf	1.77 MB	National Chemistry Week Report
NERM Report.pdf	1.82 MB	NERM Report
Nominations Report.pdf	1.77 MB	Nominations Report
Norris Award Report.pdf	1.79 MB	Norris Award Report
Public Relations Report.pdf	1.8 MB	Public Relations Report
Subsection Task Force Report.pdf	1.78 MB	Subsection Task Force Report
Trustees Report.pdf	1.78 MB	Trustees Report
YCC Report.pdf	1.79 MB	YCC Report
YCC GDCH Report.pdf	1.82 MB	YCC GDCH Report
The Nucleus Dec 2013.pdf	1.46 MB	The Nucleus Dec 2013

Secretary Report.pdf	0.31 MB	Secretary Report
Constitution - By-laws Report.pdf	0.01 MB	Constitution - By-laws Report
SE MA announcement Meeting Flyer.pdf	0.28 MB	SE MA announcement Meeting Flyer
Program Chair Report.pdf	0.35 MB	Program Chair Report
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2013 NESACS Chair Report.pdf	0.28 MB	2013 NESACS Chair Report

Local Section Administration Form - Approval

Comments

NESACS had a great year with several innovative events. The work with the Entrepreneur Forum where Madeline Jacobs participated was a particular highlight for the year. A really spectacular exchange program with the YCC equivalent from the German Chemical Society occurred in 2013.

Approved & Submit for Review

Michael Singer

02/16/2014

This form has been submitted for your approval. Please review each tab for completeness and accuracy, make any necessary edits, and save all changes before approving this form. After the form is approved, it will be submitted for review. The approved form will be placed in read only mode and no additional edits will be allowed. Your approval will submit this form as part of your official annual report to ACS.

Local Section Administration Form - Reasons for Return

Approver Return Comments**Contributor Return Comments**

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