



### Georgia Local Section Administration Form 2014

Local Section Administration Form - Governance	
1. How many times did the executive committee conduct governance business during 2014?*	4
2. How many members were there in the executive committee during 2014?*	15
3. How did the executive committee communicate with one another during 2014?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Email <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Teleconference <input type="checkbox"/> ACS Network <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other - phone, at monthly meetings, ExComm mtgs.
4. What percentage of your councilors were in official attendance at the Spring and Fall ACS Council meetings?*	87.50%
5. Did a member of your local section attend the Local Section Leaders Track at the 2014 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 2014?	<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 2014?*(Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self-nomination <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solicitation or advertising <input type="checkbox"/> Identify active committee members <input type="checkbox"/> Formal leadership training <input type="checkbox"/> Long term plan <input 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 2014? *	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
9. Did your local section conduct its elections electronically during 2014?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
10. How many members voted in your local section officer election in 2014?*	177
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.	

11. 2014 Chair's report: Please provide a narrative of the past year's activity/successes/challenges:\*

The Georgia Section signature event, the Herty Medal, honors the memory of Charles Holmes Herty. On the medal, the inscription which reads: 'Pro Patria et Scientia' reflects Herty's life promoting chemistry at the interfaces of academia, industry, and government. The 2013 meeting program featured a speaker from government; in 2014 emphasis shifted to speakers from industry. Nevertheless, the section continued to draw on a rich pool of academic researchers. That the section supported ACS' strategic goals is evident in the many areas of endeavor throughout the year as follows: >1. Provide Information-be the most authoritative, comprehensive and indispensable provider of chemistry-related information. Our 2014 meetings, speakers and topics: FEB, Dr. Younan Xia (ACS Award in the Chemistry of Materials), "Design & Synthesis of Facet Controlled Nanocrystals"; MAR, Dr. Satchit Srinivasan (Solvay Aromatic Polymers RD&T), "Molecules to Money-The Industrial Origins of Synthetic Macromolecules"; APR, Basil Karamelas (BA Economics & History, MBA, President American Process), "An Introduction to American Process Cellulosic Sugar technologies "Sugar is the New Crude"; MAY, Dr. Ken Gall (Founder MedShape and Vertera), "The Chicken or the Egg: Basic Materials Research and New technology"; SEP, Dr. Luigi Marzilli, 80th Herty Medal Awardee (Louisiana State University), "Roles of Metal Species in Human Life and in Diagnostic and Therapeutic Agents"; OCT, Dr. John Bacsa (Director, X-ray Diffraction Center at Emory University)-in the Year of X-ray Diffraction, "A brief historical tour of chemical X-ray crystallography: from Max von Laue's discovery of diffraction of X-rays to modern charge density analysis." At Chemistry Olympiad, Heather Abbott-Lyon plus five other Kennesaw State University faculty, conducted three hour plus sessions to twelve on Equilibrium and Reaction Rates; Organic Chemistry, Isomers, Biomolecules; and Thermodynamics & Electrochemistry. >2. Advance Member Careers. Each meeting saw members invited to announce positions for hire, and if unemployed, to introduce themselves and the position type sought. The Minority Affairs Committee featured a speaker whose firm, SIMPLEnetworking, presented "Creating Opportunities... The new form of success!(TM)" provided insights to networking strategy and specific techniques. The meeting began with two 'ice breaker' devices for attendees to learn about each other. Eighteen 50- & 60-Year ACS members stories were recognized at the 80th Herty Award, as were new section ACS Fellows. The Younger Chemists Committee held a summer networking picnic. The section Senior Circle met during the summer. A 2014 Academia-Industry Forum, with 28 registrants, presented topics on Academia-Industry partnerships, how to keep partnerships focused, and how to dissolve partnerships when they are not working. Linda Marquez, Chair of Science Fair Judges, was nominated as Outreach Volunteer of the Year. >3. Improve Education. Foster the development ... Many and various are the sections commitments to chemical education. Of the highest impact, the section provided twenty-five 80% subsidized first year memberships to teachers at different area high schools in support of ACS' inaugural year AACT (American Association of Chemistry Teachers). This appears to have caused a doubling of the number of Georgia Section Olympiad competitors (from 595 in 2014 to over 1200 in 2015). Other efforts include judging at county wide high school level Science & Engineering Fair(s) [Fulton County] and displaying careers in the chemical enterprise [as at the Gwinnett Science & Engineering Fair 1200 students attended and at Collins Hill H.S. Career Night 300 students attended, Georgia Perimeter College Chemistry Club Career Event]. A summer Senior Circle event encouraged continued section member involvement. The MAC Percy Julian Award presents a one year membership in ACS and a cash prize to further the education of a deserving student in a field involving chemistry. This year, the student was to attend Tuskegee Institute for study in Chemical Engineering. MAC committee, for NCW at Fernbank Science Center (a DeKalb County Schools resource facility) promoted their Percy Julian Award to encourage applications for outstanding students. >4. Communicate Chemistry's Value...2014 Public Relations Committee: There were 2 published press releases & miscellaneous PR activities. Successful nomination of a southern USA NHCL site was a major new activity. The section Mini-grant program

	<p>funded several proposals this year. One grant, involving leverage, provided incentive for teachers to bring a student to a speaker meeting starting a chain reaction: Both get authoritative chemistry information &gt; Back at school, both teacher and student interact with peers conveying chemistry's value and possibly have stories about the speaker talk and persons they met at the meeting who each told about their careers as chemists. To date 6 mentors brought 19 students to speaker meetings.</p> <p><b>CONCERNS &amp; CHALLENGES:</b> 2014 began with the elected Treasurer neglecting to serve. Resignation was requested, and after it was tendered the election runner-up agreed to serve. Later the runner-up gave notice of moving in DEC, but notice was too late to put a treasurer on the ballot. A member volunteered as treasurer who had previously served as same. * In DEC, the third treasurer purchased a computer and accounting software. Two years of data were entered, resulting in the prospect that treasurer accounts will be in better shape than in several past years, and facilitating a working budget with regular over/under budget reports. [The section previously relied on manual book keeping, or depended on the treasurer to use their personal or work computer-an unreasonable expectation at a minimum.]* Slow progress continued on bylaws revision, despite one entire executive committee meeting devoted to revising by-laws The revision process, as carried out, was seen to have several inherent flaws. Many proposed revisions either listed items better addressed in a procedure manual or listed required duties that were scrapped by ExComm votes. The process was sanctioned in 2011 and had inexorably dragged on through 2013.* A greater effort was devoted to a smooth transition for incoming 2015 officers.* In 2014 the new web page, ACS vendor hosted, was launched. The new section web master was able to get the site up and fully functional without a glitch. The new and old web pages were linked. * A study to revive the section newsletter was completed. To facilitate distribution, the section subscribed with the ACS sponsored e-mail service vendor. There are many areas needing improvement. It is recommended that the 2015 Chair and Chair-elect keep focused on their objectives and manage the peripheral matters as their time permits. The 2014 Chair thanked Executive Committee for their support and asked them to continue for 2015</p>
<p>12. 2015 Chair's goals for the Section</p>	
<p>a. Please list your top 3 goals:</p>	<p>ENGAGE OURMEMBERS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE via section programming, educational activities, etc.</p>
	<p>COMMUNICATE OUR IMPACT by improved quality in which we convey information. Eg. revived Filter Press</p>
	<p>DRIVE KEY IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE relative to budget process, by-laws, procedures</p>
<p>b. What are your concerns and challenges?*</p>	<p>Areas of challenge:                  - educational activities, resources, volunteer opportunities                  - Filter Press newsletter, e-mail method(s), and social media                  - budget planning process, complete revised by-laws, establish a procedures manual to ease volunteer transition</p>
<p>13. 2015 Chair-Elect's goals for the Section</p>	
<p>a. Please list your top 3 goals:</p>	<p>1. Increase section participation by mid-career member.</p>
	<p>2. Increase interactions between student chapters and more senior section members.</p>
	<p>3. Develop a cross-state program with other Georgia ACS sections.</p>

<p>b. What are your concerns and challenges?*</p>	<p>I have several concerns and expect to face some challenges as I enter into my year as Chair-Elect of the Georgia Local Section. As Chair-Elect, I also serve as the Program Committee Chair and am responsible for arranging speakers and venues for dinner seminars that occur during most months of the year. Scheduling speakers will certainly be a challenge. I would like to increase interactions between student chapters and the more senior section members who attend these dinners and hope to do so by hosting a dinner seminar in which two graduate students are given the opportunity to present their research. I am concerned that this dinner seminar may not appeal to our more active section members and attendance at this seminar may be low. We are also planning to increase prices for these seminars and I am concerned about how pricing changes will affect attendance. To increase participation in the section by mid-career members, I plan to host a science tailgating outing to a baseball game over the summer. Informal discussions with section members have indicated that mid-career members may have younger children at home making weeknight dinner seminars difficult to attend. So, the summer program will be family friendly and the science tailgating event will be tailored for children. I am concerned that this event will have low attendance and will require more funding than other events hosted by the section. Finally, I am working with other local section leaders in Georgia to host a graduate student dinner seminar. My primary concern with this event is that working over such a large geographical distance will be extremely difficult and the event will fall apart right before the scheduled presentation date.</p>
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Local Section Administration Form - Organization

<p>1. Did your local section have any active committees with two or more members during 2014?*</p>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No																																																																								
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2. How many subsections were active in your local section during 2014?*	0
3. How many subsection meetings were held by your local section during 2014?*	0
4. How many topical groups were active in your local section during 2014?*	0
5. How many topical group meetings were held in your local section during 2014?*	0
6. Did your local section support (financial or otherwise) an existing Technician Affiliate Group (TAG) during 2014?*	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
7. How many dues-paying affiliate members were in your local section during 2014?*	12
8. What was the approximate number of active volunteers in your local section during 2014?*	25
9. Please estimate the number of new volunteers in your local section during 2014?*	4
10. Please indicate all the ways that your local section recognized volunteers during 2014.* (Check all that apply.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificates <input type="checkbox"/> Awards <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Recognition in newsletter  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other - free dinner meeting, one paid to ACS mtg

Local Section Administration Form - Communications

1. How many local section meetings were held during 2014?*	7
2. On average, how many members attended a local section meeting during 2014?*	35
3. How did Councilors report to your local section members about national ACS matters during 2014?*(Check all that apply.)	<input type="checkbox"/> At a section meeting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> At an executive committee meeting <input type="checkbox"/> In the newsletter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On the local section web site <input type="checkbox"/> Other -
4. Did your local section have a representative on your Regional Meeting Board or Steering Committee during 2014?*	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
5. How does the sections leadership communicate information to its members?*	<p>Monthly dinner meetings announcements are by e-mail. Section election notice was by e-mail and standard USPS mail. The section web page is used for announcements, job posts, volunteer opportunities such as requests for science fair judges, science student mentor(s), etc. The web master forwards inquiry messages to the Chair for referral to the appropriate action committee or member. At monthly dinner meetings, ballot candidates are solicited, job announcements and employment sought are presented, along with other timely information. The chair has used direct (unsolicited) e-mail to request volunteers, such as for a speaker at a high school very distant from the greater metro Atlanta area.</p>
5a How Often do these communications occur:	
5a1 Number of newsletters published:*	0
5a2 Number of meeting notices:*	21
6. Did your local section have a website during 2014?*	<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.georgia.sites.acs.org
7. Did your local section post its Annual Report on your website during 2014?*	<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 2014 activities to support your nomination.	The Georgia Section exhibited stellar performance in support of ACS. It's speaker meetings well served it's members, as did the minority affairs committee's 'Simple Networking TM' seminar meeting, the YCC's webinar, networking, and entrepreneurship speaker meetings. The section was likely the first to purchase and distribute subsidized AACT memberships to twenty different local high school chemistry teachers, apparently doubling participation in Olympiad to over 1200 students. The biennial Industry-Academia Forum letters of appreciation attest to the value of this effort in bridging common interests of academia and industry.

#### Local Section Administration Form - Supporting Materials

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#### Local Section Administration Form - Approval

##### Comments

The Georgia Section performed admirably in 2014, in spite of having trouble with the treasurer position. For many years the Georgia Section has relied on the same people to fill the Officer positions and Executive Committee spots. Over the last couple of years we have imported new blood into the system and this has lead to a revitalizing of many activities. The new folk must be congratulated for coming up to speed so rapidly.

 Approved & Submit for Review

Terence Say

02/07/2015

*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.*

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