American Chemical Society

ACS Midland Section Board Meeting

01/12/2026

Agenda

Time	Topic	Presenter
7:00 pm	Call to Order, approve December 2025 meeting minutes	Judith Espinoza
7:05 pm	Budget update	David Potts
7:20 pm	Outreach update	Gina Malczewski
7:30 PM	Storage update & reminder	Gina Malczewski
7:35 pm	Chair updates	Judith Espinoza
7:45 pm	Adjourn	All

THANK YOU to our 2025 Board and outgoing committee chairs.

A special thanks to ***Krishnaja Duvvuri*** for leading our section during 2025!

American Chemical Society

Budget Updates

David Potts

01/12/2026

2026 proposed budget – Administration

	2025 approved budget			2026 proposed budget		
	Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Income	Net Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Income	Net Budgeted Expense
Administration	**$ 15,250.00**	**$ 4,000.00**	**$ 11,250.00**	**$ 18,000.00**	**$ 4,000.00**	**$ 14,000.00**
Executive	$ 2,500.00	$ -	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,600.00	$ -	$ 2,600.00
Awards	$ 5,000.00	$ -	$ 5,000.00	$ 5,000.00	$ -	$ 5,000.00
Councilor Travel	$ 5,000.00	$ 4,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$ 5,000.00	$ 4,000.00	$ 1,000.00
Historian	$ 500.00	$ -	$ 500.00	$ 200.00	$ -	$ 200.00
Nominations & Elections	$ 200.00	$ -	$ 200.00	$ 200.00	$ -	$ 500.00
Publicity/Website	$ 550.00	$ -	$ 550.00	$ 1,000.00	$ -	$ 1,000.00
Finance	$ 1,500.00	$ -	$ 1,500.00	$ 4,000.00	$ -	$ 4,000.00

- Executive – budget exceeded by ~$100 last year
- Councilor travel – assuming no change in national ACS subsidy
- Historian – unclear where previous $500 number came from…chatted with Gina/Mark, $200 assigned for donation to Clarke Library archival at CMU
- Nominations + elections – may have info session to attract more candidates this year
- Publicity/website – again unclear on $550 from 2025…$1000 budgeted for website, email, and Teams services after chat with Mark
- Finance – $2500 for membership retention, $1500 for vision forum (finance committee to discuss these details further)

Disclaimer – **I am a person who stutters!**

2026 proposed budget – Technical

	2025 approved budget			2026 proposed budget		
	Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Income	Net Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Income	Net Budgeted Expense
Technical	**$ 17,100.00**	**$ -**	**$ 17,100.00**	**$ 17,850.00**	**$ 750.00**	**$ 17,100.00**
Strategic Planning	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Diversity and Inclusion	$ 1,500.00	$ -	$ 1,500.00	$ 1,500.00	$ -	$ 1,500.00
Fall Scientific Meeting	$ 5,000.00	$ -	$ 5,000.00	$ 5,000.00	$ -	$ 5,000.00
MMTG	$ 4,000.00	$ -	$ 4,000.00	$ 3,000.00	$ 750.00	$ 2,250.00
Program	$ 2,000.00	$ -	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,500.00	$ -	$ 2,500.00
Senior Chemists	$ 600.00	$ -	$ 600.00	$ 600.00	$ -	$ 600.00
Student Members	$ 500.00	$ -	$ 500.00	$ 1,500.00	$ -	$ 1,500.00
Volunteer Appreciation Dinner	$ 500.00	$ -	$ 500.00	$ 500.00	$ -	$ 500.00
Women Chemist Committee	$ 1,000.00	$ -	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$ -	$ 1,000.00
H2O Q	$ 1,500.00	$ -	$ 1,500.00	$ 1,500.00	$ -	$ 1,500.00
Younger Chemist Committee	$ 500.00	$ -	$ 500.00	$ 750.00	$ -	$ 750.00

- MMTG – $750 in revenue anticipated from Delta camp
- Program – increase flexibility to host Turner Alfrey lecture + four lunch & learns
- Student Members – combined $3000 request with Weyenburg travel fund, working with Dale to specify budget details for these
- YCC – had more events and more non-Dow participants in 2025, limited money remaining from 2024 IPG grant (which covered 2025 events)

2026 proposed budget – Public Outreach

	2025 approved budget			2026 proposed budget		
	Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Income	Net Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Income	Net Budgeted Expense
Public Outreach	**$ 74,700.00**	**$ 46,000.00**	**$ 28,700.00**	**$ 83,700.00**	**$ 54,000.00**	**$ 29,700.00**
Chemistry Olympiad	$ 700.00	$ -	$ 700.00	$ 700.00	$ -	$ 700.00
CCEW/Sustainability	$ 5,000.00	$ -	$ 5,000.00	$ 5,000.00	$ -	$ 5,000.00
NCW	$ 1,500.00	$ -	$ 1,500.00	$ 1,500.00	$ -	$ 1,500.00
Project SEED	$ 63,000.00	$ 46,000.00	$ 17,000.00	$ 72,000.00	$ 54,000.00	$ 18,000.00
Weyenberg Student Travel	$ 1,500.00	$ -	$ 1,500.00	$ 1,500.00	$ -	$ 1,500.00
General Outreach	$ 2,000.00	$ -	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00	$ -	$ 2,000.00
Teacher Support	$ 1,000.00	$ -	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$ -	$ 1,000.00
Total General Funds	**$ 107,050.00**	**$ 50,000.00**	**$ 57,050.00**	**$ 119,550.00**	**$ 58,750.00**	**$ 60,800.00**

- Project SEED – expected to receive $10K from MSU and $44K from National
  - $18,000 expense comes from matching 8 student stipends ($10K), miscellaneous activities + supplies ($4K), travel to national meeting in Chicago ($4K)
- Weyenburg – again, will work with Dale to specify details here
- Will chat with Gina offline to clarify how her grants will fit into the related line items here (CCEW, NCW, outreach) and elsewhere

SUMMARY of Outreach 2025

FOCUS on Q4 2025 (and Preview of 2026)

Gina Malczewski

Public Outreach 2025

- Types: Classroom Visits (Science Coaching, Special Needs, etc), Public Events for all ages; camps
- Funded by Local Section and Special Grants
- 31 classroom visits,11 with >75 students + Two Girls Day Out Events at Delta
- 62 “Activities” to be reported, not counting over a dozen meetings for the 2025 and 2026 Expos. Project with Northwood Marketing students to enhance Expo participation.
- Time-consuming multi-day activities: Exhibit discussions with Northwood, Exhibit planning and set-up with Bay County Historical Society.
  - Camp: six months preparations ☐ presentation, ~22 students, free, 9 non-ACS presenters, 10 volunteers
  - Garden: 155 hours, 775 lb of produce donated to three food pantries, 8 ACS volunteers—**INFO ON 2026 coming shortly**
- Events: School STEM and Science fair “nights” in Auburn, Midland, BC, and Essexville. Pumpkins and Pizza, “Are you a pHoodie?”, Frankenstein Friday (CMU), Two Mall programs (Midland and Saginaw)
- Senior Chemists Table at CERM—”Chemistry Quickies”
- Special Needs programs at two schools: Highland Pines (Tuscola) and Freeland Middle (Saginaw). Five visits; 75 at HP, ~15 at FMS each time, some Q4
- Exhibit related programs: 7 school group visits to the CMU exhibit. Four hands-on programs and one presentation at the BC Exhibit.

2026 Outreach Preview

- KIDS' DAY at the Midland Mall—Jan 17, 10-3
- Classroom visits by Coaches
- Garden: investigating two new locations, both with educational opportunities; transplant of many perennials last November
- Continued programming at BC Exhibit, including possible summer programs with Bay Area YMCA which is within walking distance
- Earth Action Expo April 25 at Dow High School: FREE. 10-3
  - Food Trucks
  - EVs
  - Speakers
  - >70 exhibitors
  - **Illustrated Poem Contest**
- FREE Middle School Summer Camp June 15-19, 9-12
  "Clean and Green: Chemistry and the Environment"

www.earthactionexpo.org

STORAGE Update/Reminders

Gina Malczewski

Storage Basics

- We have 3 rooms and a closet in Rm 111 downstairs with supplies
- Room 126
- Space behind the Auditorium downstairs
  - ONE room of supplies was moved in December (Dave, Brent, Gina) at MSU request: still being organized
  - LITERATURE from CCEW and NCW since also available (English and Spanish)—**Please use!**
  - Supplies left from 2019-2025 Centennial Exhibit (some being sold)
- Some materials need review or ARE FREE—we need to liberate more space and consolidate—Please have a look!
- We had some large materials dropped off this fall—please relocate if possible
- Items we have INCLUDE: sno-cone machine, popcorn machine, cotton candy machine, coolers, tablecloths, pizza ovens, microwaves, tableware, give-aways, **BANNER(S)**—all supplies need to be replaced as they are consumed. **Most purchased by Outreach. We recycle/re-use.**
- Please do not drop off materials with no name or communication with Gina or Dave. Banners need to be returned right after use. ASK if you need something or have questions.

American Chemical Society

ACS Chemistry for Life®

Chair Updates

Judith Espinoza

01/12/2026

Updates

Executive Committee

- The Executive Committee consists of the officers (Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer), the Immediate Past Chair, and three Directors elected by the board.
- **Now**- Email soliciting 2026 Directors Interested on the Executive Committee (requested response by Jan 14th)
- **Next Steps:** Preferential voting by email for Executive committee

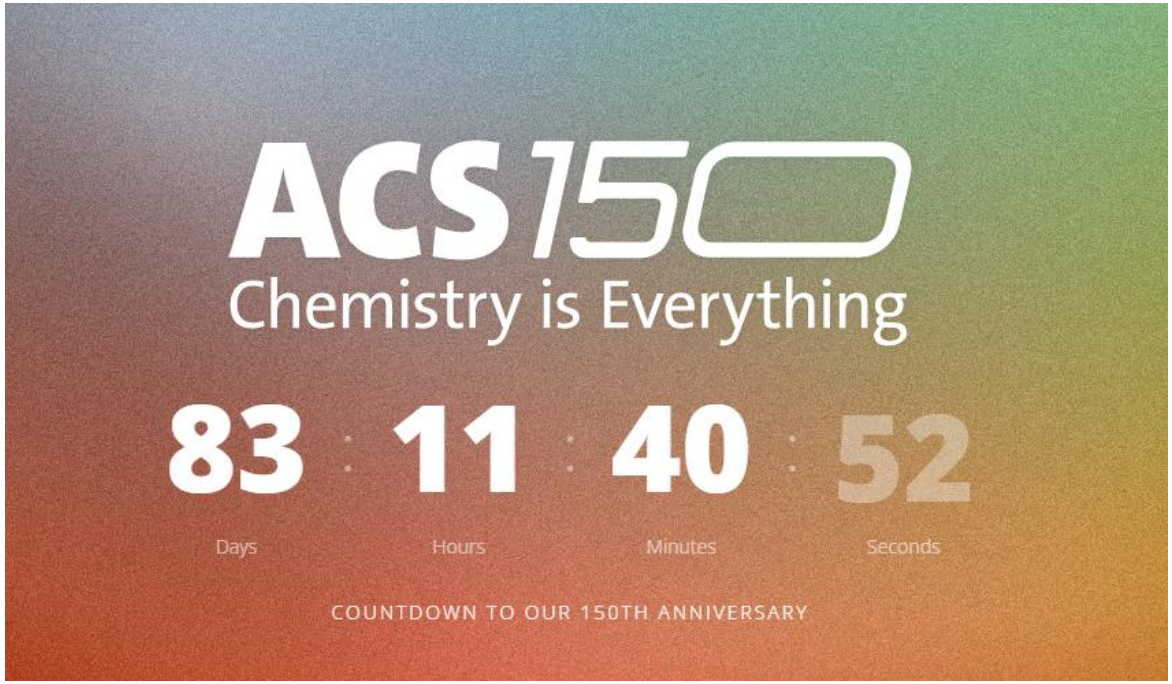
2026 Committee List update in progress

ACS Fellows Nomination

- Midland Section can submit one nomination (# of nominations may not exceed the number of Councilors)
- Nominations for the 2026 Class of ACS Fellows will be open TBD **(**February 1st – April 1st)

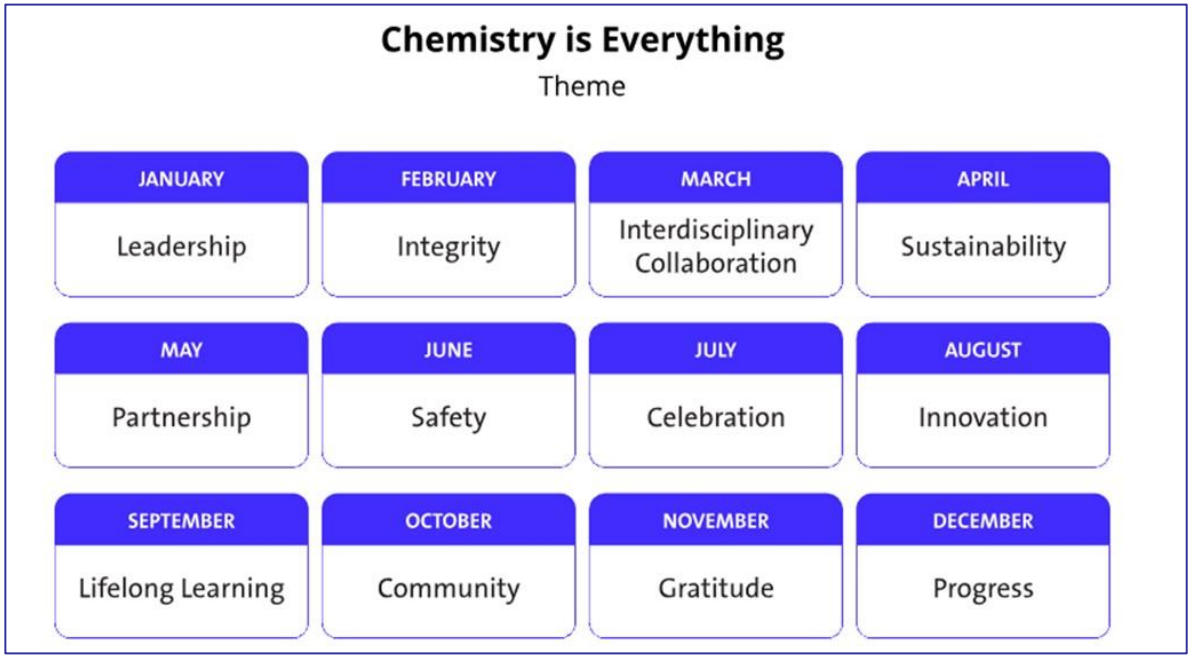
ACS 150th Anniversary

- 2026 Theme: Chemistry is everything!
- ACS 150 Homepage: ACS 150th Anniversary - American Chemical Society



ACS 150th Anniversary

- 2026 Monthly themes:



- 2025ACS 150 Playbook (Resources, images, guidelines for monthly themes: ACS 150th Anniversary Playbook | ACS150 Playbook