



January 29, 2022

Chair's Report For the January 2022 Executive Committee Meeting Vanessa Lopez

- Summary of VA ACS Meetings in 2021
 - January 29, 2021: Host- Dr. Julian Bobb
Speaker: Dr. Jeff I. Seeman “The Mutation of the ‘Nobel Prize in Chemistry’ into the ‘Nobel Prize in Chemistry or Life Sciences’: Several Decades of Transparent and Opaque Evidence of Change within the Nobel Prize Program”
 - February 26, 2021: UofR W. Allan Powell Lecture
Dr. Joseph Francisco “A Fresh Look at the Chemistry Behind Acid Rain and Implications for Climate Geoengineering”
 - March 19, 2021: Hosts- LaChelle Waller, Kathleen Spangler, Vanessa Lopez
Awards Meeting, 4 awards given. Dr. M Samy El-Shall was our Distinguished Service Award with talk “ACS & CNN: Clusters, Nucleation, and Nanoparticles”
 - April 16, 2021: Host – UVA Dept. of Chemistry, Dr. James Demas
Recognition of Outstanding College and University Students and Undergraduate Student Research Poster Session
 - September 17, 2021: Host- Vanessa Lopez
Dr. James Demas, “A Random Walk Through Sixty Years of Chemistry” and Presentation of the Teacher Awards
 - October 2021: Host- Vanessa Lopez
Virtual Escape Room Social
- The 2021 existing and incoming 2022 officers held a transition meeting in December 2021 to discuss the new year and the transition for new incoming officers.
- The Section held six meetings in 2021, entirely virtual due to the continued COVID pandemic. A section Zoom was purchased using section funds to ensure we had access to Zoom for at least a full year while the pandemic continues to develop.

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