

# Virginia Section of the American Chemical Society

## Executive Committee Meeting

Friday, 13 September 2019

### Awards—Education

Nominations for possible recipients still on file were reviewed, and nominators and schools were contacted about strong nominees. The committee selected three recipients from this pool for awards in education who will be honored at the September Section meeting in September 2019: Distinguished Elementary School Science Teaching Award to Ms. Betty Edwards, South Hill Elementary School in Mecklenburg County; Distinguished Middle School Science Teaching Award to Ms. Rebecca Slominski, Walker-Grant Middle School in Fredericksburg City; Franklin D. Kizer Distinguished High School Chemistry Teaching Award to Ms. Suzanne McIninch of New Kent High School in New Kent County.

Several tasks needing to be addressed were listed in the last report. On several occasions, it was suggested that nominations be made for awards for past recipients at the Regional and National levels. In August, Mr. Nycum, Principal at Stuarts Draft High School, was asked to collect the necessary documents for Martha Mikell, last year's High School Award recipient, for submission to SERMACS for their fall meeting award for High School Teaching. Mr. Nycum was able to get several persons to complete the necessary documents, despite the fact that school was starting for students the day after he was called, and they have been submitted to SERMACS for the Regional ACS Award. Other tasks include revision of Section nomination forms; contact with as many schools as possible in the Virginia Section for a new set of nominations for 2020, including teachers not yet selected who may be worthy. A letter from the Awards Committee was included with all science safety books which were distributed to schools in the Virginia Section informing principals about a new nomination form being made and requesting new nominations for worthy teachers when that is completed. To date, only one contact has been received for two teachers. The Chair plans to contact nominators as is possible to collect new nomination forms for past nominees that are still active teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

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