

VI-H-Membership-SciX 2017

SAS Membership Committee Report (SciX 2017)

Outline:

1. Membership committee members.
2. Current/ ongoing Membership committee activities 2017
3. Proposed/planned membership committee activities approaching 2020 vision...
4. 60th anniversary in Atlanta

1. Membership committee members:

Ingeborg Iping Petterson

-Committee member 2014, Chair 2015, 2016, 2017. **Term up in 2018*.**

Andrew Whitley

-Committee member 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017. **Now also Marketing Chair.**

Friedrich Menges

Committee member 2016, 2017

2. ongoing activities

Speed dating Mentoring event at SciX

Coblenz is hosting it. (many of us are members of both so perhaps we can send a delegation from SAS to attend).

Membership event SciX 2017

Reno location always tricky. How many more times are we in Reno? (see how the current plan for members event works and take notes for next time.)

Gift certificates of SAS memberships

Now available for purchase at the booth? Let's advertise!

T Shirts and Polo shirts

Now available! Tell all your friends!

Automatic membership renewal by credit card

We have a credit card scanner now for CC payments at the booth, is this capable of auto renewal though? Let's make some \$\$\$!

Advertise SAS membership in spectroscopy magazine?

Andrew will contact about this.

3. SAS 2020 vision (activities for the future (2017–2020))

What is the profile of an SAS member? We mostly cater to “spectroscopists” but can we broaden this to make “spectroscopers” and others affiliated with spectroscopy feel like SAS is also their home and has something to offer them?

International reach:

Ideas for stuff on website:

- Why not have a SAS discussion group or forum with topic-based subgroups, accessible for members only? this could also be a place for visible interaction for the technical sections. Plus, an increasing fundus of solved problems/ answered questions would pile up with time...

This exists on Linked in, but is the SAS linked in page linked at the website?.

- Why not have a "ask an expert" section on website, with visible Q&A history? Could be quite attractive especially for student/ younger members.

Other ideas for further in the future...

a. A bridge program that connects academics with people in industry, fostering collaborations with labs and industry– collaboration grant?

b. Conference travel grants for PhDs and Postdocs?

c. Research travel grant (Funds for a small research visit/collaboration)?

d. More social medial involvement

Labtube channel, LinkedIn groups, Facebook page, Twitter (Web team, publications team!) Involve the technical sections, but first we post some content.

e. more presence in Europe/international.

- bigger web and social media presence will help with this.
- International SAS ambassadors

4. 60th anniversary events

Member event in Atlanta : updates from Stephanie on world of coke progress.

Historical talks

Special SAS sessions

Discussion of other ideas.

Recommendations for Committee / Proposed Steps forward

Discuss with web committee how to implement some of proposed ideas

Actions for EC/SAS:

Discussion of terms (serving) for committee members

Items to be voted by EC/GB – if any : to be determined at meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

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