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**2019 WINTER EXECUTIVE MEETING**

SCOTTSDALE, AZ USA  
JANUARY 18 – 20, 2019

Committee Name: Regional Meetings

Date: January 8, 2019

Reporter/Name:

**YOUR ACTION ITEMS FOR 2019 Winter Exec:**

Mark Dadmun

Request an increase in Regional Meeting funding to align with ACS cost-benefits.

**2018 Summary**

Email from Mark:

From an e-mail from Kathy earlier this year in a discussion of meetings, the POLY budget supports meetings as:

**Regional Meeting:** Always used to support regional meetings except the year of the Graduate meeting. Then \$1,000 is used from this budget line to support that event. (2018: 2k budgeted and 1k will go to Grad meeting)(distributed by Me/regional chair.)

**Other Meetings:** To fund any other meeting request that the Chair chooses to approve. (2018: \$1,500 Budgeted)(distributed by Chair)

**Science Café:** Designated for meeting to promote POLY on small person settings (2018 budget: \$600)(distributed by H.N. Cheng)

**POLY Symposium Support:** National meeting support (2018: 28,000)(distributed by Treasurer)

There is also a chairs fund for anything the Chair wishes to support, which may include (and often does) other meetings of interest or importance to the division (as determined by the chair).

I'm not sure when this fracturing of the "meeting support" occurred, but I do not remember it being this way when I was treasurer.

The \$1000 for regional meetings is low and is often provided on a first come first serve basis. 5-10 years ago we may not have supported as many regional meetings, I believe that we have committed the allotted funds early the last couple of years, and I also think that we already multiple requests to support regional meeting symposium (Northwest, SERMACS and Central (2), at least) this year (2019).

Given that the allocation formula is expected to include a measure of our support of regional meetings, it seems that a stronger commitment from the ExComm for the support of regional meetings is needed.



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