



**238th ACS National Meeting
Washington, DC**

**Carbohydrate Chemistry Division, Executive
Committee Meeting**



**Sunday, August 16, 2009
Washington DC Convention Centre
Room 203B**

Minutes

Present:

Gillian Eggleston, Derek Horton, Todd Lowary, Zbigniew Witczak, Mano Manoharan, Alexei Demchenko, Jacquelyn Gervay-Hague (guest), John Verceletti, Dev Arya

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Mano Manoharan, acting as Chair.

1. Minutes

- a. The minutes were approved with minor changes.

2. Reports

a. Chair Report – Mano Manoharan

- The Chair commented on the strong program at the meeting.
- The last six months have been busy with the strategic planning process and its approval, as well as plans for updating the Divisional bylaws.
- Hudson Award Funding: National Starch no longer wants to support this award and a new sponsor will need to be found. National Starch is committed to supporting the award in 2011, but in 2013 a new sponsor will be needed.

b. Past Chair

- Nothing to report.

c. Secretary – Todd Lowary

- The Division held this year's election by electronic voting, which was a success. The firm used, Campus Vote, handles the elections for many of the ACS Divisions. There was about 30% participation by the Division membership, which according to Campus Vote is high compared to other Divisions of the ACS.
- The new members of the Executive committee are:
 - Chair Elect, Dev Arya

- Secretary, Xuefei Huang
- Treasurer, Zbigniew Witczak
- Councilors, John Vercellotti, Derek Horton
- Alternate Councilors, Anthony Serianni, Waldemar Priebe
- Members-at-Large, Alexei Demchenko, Geert-Jan Boons, Nicola Pohl, Robert Kerns
- Xi Chen is the new webmaster

d. Treasurers Report – Zbigniew Witczak

- An update of finances were presented.
- Things are on solid financial ground and the Division is not losing money.

e. Councilor’s Report – Derek Horton/John Vercellotti

- The Salt Lake council meeting has relatively little controversial issues for discussion.
- The ACS taken a big hit as a consequence of the market crash; an update will be given at the DC council meeting.
- Membership has declined somewhat.
- The first class of ACS Fellows has been named and criteria for these awards have be developed.
- It was commented that the upcoming DC council meeting did not have much of direct relevance to CARB. However, it was pointed out that a discussion about the criteria to allow membership in the ACS will be discussed. The proposed plan would reduce the background in chemistry needed to be a member.

f. Nomenclature Committee – Derek Horton

- The nomenclature committee report was distributed and discussed.

3. Old Business

a. Strategic Planning

- Gillian presented an overview of the process and summarized the voting process to be used in approving the plan. Each point of the plan was summarized and discussion followed. It was agreed that the plan would be sent to the Division Executive committee for approval and then to the entire divisional membership. It was agreed that approval of each recommendation would require approval of nine members of the Executive Committee and a simple majority of the divisional membership who responded.

4. New Business

a. 2016 ICS

- Zbigniew Witczak gave an update on site selection and mentioned that we should get a proposal ready at the Spring 2010 meeting. Dan Cook, Alexei Demchenko, and Zbigniew Witczak are a sub-committee charged with making a recommendation.

b. Request for SERMACS/SWRM meeting

- A request for funding has been made by Al French for funding of a symposium at the joint SERMACS/SWRM but the amount is unclear. Follow-up with Al French will be undertaken.

c. Pacifichem

- A request from Geert-Jan Boons for support for Pacifichem 2010 was discussed. Mano pointed out that we have supported Pacifichem symposia in the past, and that money has flowed back to the Division. There are three known carbohydrate-related symposium and it was recommended that an explicit request for funds from these three symposium organizers be made.

c. 2010 ICS

- Derek reminded the committee of the ICS meeting, which is being held just outside of Toyko in August 2010.

5. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Submitted,



Todd L. Lowary, Secretary