

# 237<sup>th</sup> ACS National Meeting Salt Lake City UT



# Carbohydrate Chemistry Division, Executive Committee Meeting

# Sunday March 21, 2009 Salt Palace Convention Centre, Room 251

#### **Minutes**

#### **Present:**

Gillian Eggleston, Derek Horton, Todd Lowary, John Vercelotti, Hans Vliegenthart, Zbigniew Witczak, Mano Manoharan (by phone), Peter Seeberger

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Dev Arya, acting as Chair.

#### 1. Minutes

a. Approved with minor changes

# 2. Reports

# a. Chair Report - Mano Manoharan

- Unable to attend due to an emergency work issue. Report was sent by email, and participated by phone. Commented on great symposia at the meeting and congratulated us on the program.
- Comments from the ACS on Division reports were generally positive no serious concerns were raised.
- Thanked those involved in the Strategic planning session.

## b. Secretary – Todd Lowary

- The issue of electronic voting was brought up and the need to due this for future elections.
- Asked that candidates for positions for fall elections be forwarded.
- Witczak suggested that minutes from meeting be posted on website.
- Note added August 12, 2009: These have been sent to new webmaster, Xi Chen, for posting.

## d. Treasurers Report - Zbigniew Witczak

- Finances are good.
- Vanguard account has not been hurt by market crash.

- Other members of the committee provided some clarifications with regard to cost of the strategic planning session. In particular, that the ACS provided \$5000 to support this initiative.

## e. Councilor's Report - Derek Horton/John Vercellotti

- New funding formula was approved at the Philadelphia meeting. It appears that we will do better than we have in the past, in particular if we increase the amount of symposia in the thematic programming.
- A 3% increase in ACS dues was approved.
- ACS has started a fellows program (<u>www.acs.org/fellows</u>). Ultimately, it is expected that 1–2% of the membership will be recognized as fellows.
  - Note added August 12, 2009: This year two members of the Division, Jacquelyn Gervay-Hague and Charles Buchanan, were recognized as Fellows in 2009. Nominations for 2010 class of fellows will be in spring 2010.

#### 3. Old Business

- a. Revision of by-laws
  - Horton and Vercellotti agreed to work with Baker on updating bylaws.
    Agreement was reached that their expenses for a trip to Tennessee should be covered

#### 4. New Business

- a. Funding Regional meeting
  - A request from Katja Michael for \$1500 to support a symposium at the Southwest Regional Meeting was approved
  - A motion was approved stating that the Division would fund a maximum of \$3000 total limit a year for Regional meeting symposia, and that a single symposium could not receive this amount.

## b. Poster problem

- Dev presented a case concerning a previous poster award. The poster was from a company and one of the co-authors (author A) has left the company between the time of abstract submission and the meeting, where the poster was presented by Author B. Author A was unhappy that he did not share in the poster prize and wanted recognition.
- A motion was approached stating that poster awards are given out to the presenter, not to the entire list of contributors.

#### c. Strategic planning discussion

- Gillian summarized the session and the plan developed. It was agreed that it was best to have a series of three conference calls be held, one on each aim.

- Note added August 12, 2009: Due to difficulties finding a suitable time for a phone conference, this will be discussed at a special meeting on August 15, 2009 in Washington DC.

## d. Awards

- 2009 Awardees
  - Wolfrom Waldemar Priebe
  - Isbell George O'Doherty
  - New Investigator Award Xuefei Huang

# 5. Adjournment

a. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Submitted,

Todd L. Lowary, Secretary