

**Councilor Report - 246th ACS National Meeting
Indianapolis, Indiana - September 7-12, 2013**

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The following amended summary is provided by the ACS.

ACTIONS OF THE COUNCIL

Election Results

- By electronic ballot, the Council elected Janet L. Bryant, Dee Ann Casteel, Amber S. Hinkle, Wayne E. Jones, Jr., and V. Michael Mautino for the 2014-2016 term on the **Committee on Committees** .
- By electronic ballot, the Council elected Harmon B. Abrahamson, Judith H. Cohen, Alan M. Ehrlich, and Angela K. Wilson for the 2014-2016 term on the **Council Policy Committee** .
- By electronic ballot, the Council elected Lisa M. Balbes, Jeannette E. Brown, Martha L. Casey, D. Richard Cobb, and Lissa Dulany for the 2014-2016 term on the **Committee on Nominations and Elections** .

Candidates for President-Elect and Board of Directors

- The candidates for the fall 2013 ACS national election were announced as follows:

Candidates for President-Elect, 2014

Dr. G. Bryan Balazs, Associate Program Leader, Lawrence Livermore National Lab, Livermore, CA
Dr. Charles E. Kolb, Jr., President and CEO, Aerodyne Research Inc., Billerica, MA
Dr. Diane Grob Schmidt, Section Head R&D, The Procter & Gamble Company, Cincinnati, OH

Candidates for Directors-at-Large, 2014-2016 (two will be elected)

Dr. Susan B. Butts, Independent Consultant, Susan Butts Consulting, Midland, MI
Dr. Thom H. Dunning, Jr., Director, National Center for Supercomputing Applications and Professor, Distinguished Chair for Research, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL
Dr. Dorothy J. Phillips, Retired, Waters Corporation, Milford, MA
Dr. Kathleen M. Schulz, President, Business Results, Inc., Albuquerque, NM

Candidates for District II Director, 2014-2016

Dr. George M. Bodner, Arthur Kelly Distinguished Professor of Chemistry Education and Engineering, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
Dr. Alan A. Hazari, Director of Chemistry Labs and Lecturer, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

Candidates for District IV Director, 2014-2016

Dr. Rigoberto Hernandez, Chemistry and Biochemistry, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA
Dr. Larry K. Krannich, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry, University of Alabama, Birmingham, AL

Committee Reviews

- As part of a regular committee performance review, the Council voted to continue the joint Board-Council Committee on International Activities and the Committee on Nomenclature, Terminology and Symbols.

Committee Charters Approved

- The Council voted to approve amendments to the charters of the committees on International Activities and on Nomenclature, Terminology and Symbols.

Committee Reports (Highlights)

Standing Committee on Economic and Professional Affairs (CEPA)

Committee on Economic and Professional Affairs reported that employment is up and unemployment is down for ACS chemists. The complete review of the Comprehensive Salary Survey will appear in the September 23 issue of *C&EN*.

Project SEED

The Committee on Project SEED needs mentors in Alaska, Arkansas, Connecticut, Hawaii, Maine, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. Contact Cecilia Hernandez (c_hernandez@acs.org) for more information.

Realignment of Electoral Districts

- ACS Bylaws require that the six electoral districts – from which six directors are elected to the ACS Board of Directors – be balanced in their total member populations. The Council voted to approve a proposal by the Committee on Nominations and Elections to realign these districts. The realignment meets the specified criteria for redistricting as required by Bylaw V, Section 4a and brings all six districts within permissible population range. This change takes place in 2014 and does not affect the 2013 national ACS elections. Councilors and others may visit the N&E website to look at the actual proposal and its impact. As a result the Central North Carolina Local Section will move from the current District IV to District II.

Meeting Registration Report

- As of the morning of September 11, 2013, the ACS fall national meeting had attracted 10,840 registrants, including 6,630 regular attendees and 2,584 students.

Local Sections

- The Council voted, on the recommendation of the Committee on Local Section Activities (LSAC), to approve a request from the Syracuse Local Section to change its name to the Central New York Local Section. Council also approved a recommendation from LSAC that the Monmouth County Local Section (in New Jersey) be dissolved, effective January 1, 2014, due to a decline in activity over the last several years. The North Jersey Local Section has contacted LSAC and will submit a petition in 2014 to annex the Monmouth County territory.

Divisions

After much debate, a proposed name change for the Division of Colloid and Surface Chemistry to the Division of Colloids, Surfaces, and Nanomaterials was defeated by the Council in a close vote.

ACTIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board confirmed the recommendation of the ACS Executive Director/CEO of the new President of Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS). He is Manuel (Manny) Guzman, most recently Executive Vice President of Learning and Research Solutions of Cengage Learning. Mr. Guzman succeeds Robert J. Massie, who is retiring after leading CAS with great distinction and success for 21 years and is retiring in March 2014. Mr. Guzman will begin September 30.

Other Society Business

- The Board also voted to hold the December 2015 Board of Directors meeting in Honolulu, Hawaii, in conjunction with the 2015 International Chemical Congress of Pacific Basin Societies (PacifiChem). The ACS is the host society for the 2015 PacifiChem meeting, and co-location will allow Board members to participate in this very successful PacifiChem meeting.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR COUNCILORS

The following is a list of URLs and email addresses presented on slides at the Council meeting. You will find the information noted on these sites helpful.

www.my.acs.org

Showcases stories and photos submitted by members describing what best defines their ACS membership experience. If your story is selected, you receive a T-shirt.

www.acs.org/councilors

The ACS Councilors Handbook sets out reasonable lists of duties and expectations of Councilors, their role in governance, and information on governance organization and operations.

www.acs.org/getinvolved

ACS offers many ways to get involved at the local, regional, and national levels. There are opportunities for everyone, whether you are a student, just starting your career, or a seasoned professional.

www.acs.org/cta

Information about the Committee on Technician Affairs and its fiftieth anniversary will be posted here.

www.ACS.org/ChemistryAmbassadors

Visit the Chemistry Ambassadors website for ideas and resources to engage your community with positive messages about chemistry.

bylaws@acs.org

If you are a Councilor who has not yet committed to service on an ACS committee and would like to try Constitution and Bylaws, to make an impact on the Society's governing documents and unit bylaws, please send an email.

careers@acs.org

A revision of the Professional Employment Guidelines is in the Council Agenda Book for consideration (page 95). Send revisions or comments by November 1, 2013.

Councilor Robert A. Yokley served the CNC section and the ACS in the following capacities:

- He chaired the Communication/Outreach sub-committee of the Committee on Nomenclature, Terminology, and Symbols (NTS). This group is in the process of preparing a special presentation to outline the functions of NTS to be given at selected committee and divisional meetings at the next ACS meeting in Dallas, TX.
- Participated in the Committee on Environmental Improvement (CEI) with regard to ACS policy and outreach activities.
- Participated as a liaison to the Committee on Community Activities (CCA) by attending National Chemistry Week (NCW) and Chemists Celebrate Earth Day (CCED) meetings and authoring articles for the publication, Celebrating Chemistry.
- Participated in the Caucus for Region IV and the meeting of Council.

| Councilor Timothy D. Ballard served the CNC section and the ACS in the following capacities:

- Served on the Committee on Local Section Activities (LSAC).
- Served on the Local Section Assistance and Development Sub-committee (LSAD).
- Participated in the Caucus for District IV and the meeting of Council.

Misc Notes:

Special Council Discussion Topic – How can the ACS help create jobs for chemists (members)

New ACS Organization -- National Association of High School Chemistry Teachers

ACS Bulk E-mail System – in pilot through 2013; looking to volunteers

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