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The Division of Professional Relations focuses on the interest of the individual chemist. In this way, we are different from other divisions, most of whom are organized around a discipline of chemistry. We organize programming in such areas as job opportunities, diversity, ethics, job training, and responsible conduct of research. We give programming support to such committees as CEPA, Women Chemists, Chemists with Disabilities, Minority Affairs, Senior Chemists, and Ethics and to Regional Meetings and Local Sections. We work with others in the Society to develop programming and promote issues in these areas.

2015 ACS Fellows

Congratulations to 2015 ACS Fellows who are members of the Division of Professional Relations!

Mark D. Frishberg

John J. Johnston

Jennifer E. Lewis

R. Daniel Libby

Gordon L. Nelson

Frankie Kay Wood-Black

Marinda Li Wu

Message From the Chair

As I close out my year as chair, I want to thank all of the members of the Executive Committee for your support and advice. I think we had a very good year. Our programming at both meetings was outstanding. We continue to benefit from the work of an outstanding program chair, Dan Libby, who does such a great job. He makes sure everything is done at the right time and although we don't always see him when we arrive at our symposia, the banner is there and brochures and hand-outs are in place.

I ran for this office this year because I wanted to play an integral part in the planning and production of the celebration of the birth of one of our founding fathers, Henry Hill. And thanks to the very hard work of Sharon Haynie the entire week which featured events saluting the professional contributions of Henry Hill was outstanding. It was even better than I had hoped it would be. The



E. Ann Nalley

Divisions of Professional Relations, History, Small Chemical Business and Polymer Chemistry collaborated to sponsor a series of symposia highlighting Henry Hill's contributions to the chemical profession, to the ACS and his innovations in polymers. The celebration culminated with the Henry Hill Award Reception on Tuesday evening. I am so pleased that our Division played major role in this very successful meeting not only financially but also in terms of the professional contributions. I hope all of you had the opportunity to attend one or more the symposia. The talks I attended were excellent and as I learned more about Henry Hill the more my appreciation and admiration for him grew. He truly made a difference in the ACS not only through his work to introduce the Professional Employment Guidelines which set up high standards for how employees in chemical profession should be treated but he also changed ACS governance forever by making it easier for candidates representing diversity to run for the ACS Board and for the ACS President. I do not remember meeting Henry Hill but I am pleased in a small way to be carrying on his legacy.

Although I feel that one of my major efforts was successful, to Honor Henry Hill, I am sad that I have left a heavy load for others to carry. We have lost more members this year and continue to lose them. We have to be more aggressive at telling our story about how our Division should be the Division for all professional chemists and to try and recruit more members. At both meetings this year we discussed revisiting our strategic plan. I believe we are on the right track as we continue to establish more subdivisions but we cannot become complacent so let's reexamine the strategic plan to determine if we can do more to gain the recognition within the Society which we deserve.

At our meeting in Boston, we agreed revert back to the schedule of presenting the Henry Hill award at the Spring Meeting. We changed our schedule over the past two years so that the presentation would coincide with the Celebration of the Anniversary of Henry Hill's birth which was scheduled to be held in Boston at the Fall ACS Meeting. Please consider preparing a nomination for both the Henry Hill Award and the Lou Sacco Award which will be presented in San Diego. The description of both awards is presented here and this represents the call for nominations.



Gloria Thomas

Message From the Chair-Elect

Dear Colleagues,

Here in Baton Rouge temperatures are just beginning to cooling off and LSU football is well under way. After one cancelled game (due to lightening) and a nail-biting-down-to-the-wire win over Mississippi State, there's much speculation about the rest of the season. What strategy will the team employ? Will our defense be up to par? How will a win against Auburn help our rankings? What's the competition looking like? And, of course, will Les Miles manage the clock better than last season?

Even if you're not a sports fanatic, I hope you're asking the same questions about your career. In times of lean resources (and funding rates) and fierce competitiveness in the mar-

Let us hear your voice. I invite you to write me (gloriathomas@lsu.edu) or follow us on Twitter (@ACSPROF).

ketplace (and job market), what playbook are you using to develop a strategy for maintaining your career? How are you training to be competitive in the field? Do you have a coach to help you work on specific skills?

Just as football is a team sport, PROF is also here to help you keep your head in the game. Please join us in San Diego for excellent programming, the Henry Hill reception (moving back to its original timing) and our executive committee and open meeting. Or, perhaps you're a seasoned pro or rising star who would like to take a leadership role in the division toward helping others develop their career.

I don't know if Henry Hill was a football fan or not, but I hope he would have found this analogy fitting. In Boston, as we awarded the Henry A. Hill award posthumously to Henry A. Hill, many elaborated on how the first African American ACS president was passionate about promoting professionalism and how his contributions facilitated the creation of the PROF division. As noted by Bill Carroll, a fellow past ACS president, during the *Professional Legacy of Henry Hill* symposium, while PROF's original focus was on the employer's responsibility to the employed chemist, today's challenges also demand that each chemist take a responsibility for self as a sole proprietor of sorts. I couldn't agree more.

And so, as we gear up for more football and wind down the year that marks the 100th anniversary of the birth of Henry A. Hill, I encourage you to vote for the next slate of the division's leadership, look for ways to engage with the division, and let us hear your voice. I invite you to write me (gloriatthomas@lsu.edu) and follow us on Twitter (@ACSPROF).

Geaux Tigers!

Call for Nominations!

Lou Sacco Award and Henry Hill Award

Nominations due on or before October 31, 2015

Call for Nominations for Henry Hill Award

The American Chemical Society Division of Professional Relations is accepting nominations for The 2016 Henry A. Hill Award. The award recognizes people who have served the profession in a unique and distinguished manner. To nominate someone, send a nominating letter detailing the nominee's qualifications and a seconding letter. to Ann Nalley at annn@cameron.edu or Dept. of Chemistry, Physics & Engineering, Cameron University, 2800 W. Gore Blvd., Lawton, OK 73505 **Nominations are due on or before October 31, 2015.**

The winner will be announced in January 2016.

Call for Nominations for Lou Sacco Award

The Division of Professional Relations solicits nominations for the Lou Sacco Award. The Lou Sacco Award honors the late Lou Sacco and is given to recognize persons who have served the Division of Professional Relations in a meritorious and exemplary manner over a significant period of time. Nominations should consist of a letter of nomination providing a justification for the award including the service to the Division of Professional Relations for which the nominee is being recognized. The letter should also provide additional biographical information that can include education, professional experience, contributions to the Division of Professional Relations, awards, honors and publications.

Send nominations to Ann Nalley at annn@cameron.edu or Dept. of Chemistry, Physics & Engineering, Cameron University, 2800 W. Gore Blvd., Lawton, OK 73505. **Nominations are due on or before October 31, 2015.**

The winners will be announced in January 2016 and the awards presented at the Spring ACS Meeting in 2016.

Message From the Past Chair

It's been a lot of fun being part of the leadership team for the Division of Professional Relations for the last three years. My special thanks to my past chair Keith Vitense and my chair-elect Ann Nalley for their support.

Our programming effort was particularly successful. Just in the last year, we have organized a dozen symposia and cosponsored another couple of dozen with divisions such as Small Business, Business Management, History, Chemical Education, Polymers; and with committees like International Activities, Women Chemists, Young Chemists, Minority Affairs and with Presidential Events. I am thankful to a broad range of individuals for these organizing efforts, and particularly to our Program Chair Dan Libby.

The progress in expanding relationships with our related committees has been encouraging, those mentioned above as well as Ethics, CEPA and Chemists with Disabilities. We have offered support to these committees with help in organizing and financially supporting programming. They, in return, have supported us by identifying leadership for our subdivisions.

Our social events through the three years have been a great success. I am especially pleased with the success of the Henry Hill 100th Anniversary Celebration in Boston. I am thankful for the divisions and committees that joined in with us in sponsoring and organizing this event. Also gratifying was the success of the joint reception in Dallas with Small Business and Safety.

I am concerned with the declining membership of the division. We have made efforts to educate ourselves about how to promote our division with our peers in ACS and encourage them to join with us. I know that the leadership in the upcoming years will double this effort to grow the division membership.

Best of luck to Gloria Thomas and the rest of the leadership team as we move into the coming year.



Joe Stoner

Events in Boston

Henry Hill Centennial Reception

The Division of Professional Relations Henry Hill award was presented posthumously to Henry Hill as a part of the large reception which was held on Tuesday evening as a part of the tribute to Henry Hill. Anthony Hill, son of Henry Hill, was present to receive the award and gave a beautiful tribute to the memory of Henry Hill as he described his father and his grandfather. This was a great way to close out a memorable week as those who knew Henry Hill or those of us who have benefited through his many contributions to his profession and to the American Chemical Society paid tribute to him. I left that event that evening with a sad heart that I had not made a bigger effort to know Henry Hill before he passed on but feeling grateful to him for leaving a path for me and others to follow. For those of you who are former winners of the Division's or the Northeastern's Henry Hill Award, I hope you will display the award proudly and be thankful in some small way you are helping to pave that path for others.

Anthony Hill accepted the Henry Hill Award from Dr. Ann Nalley on behalf of his father, Henry Hill.

Photo by Linda Wang



Events in Boston, Fall 2015 (cont.)



From left to right, Dr. Sharon Haynie, Organizer of the event; ACS President Diane Grob-Schmidt; Anthony Hill (son of Henry A. Hill; Dr. Ann Nalley; and Dr. Jan Hayes. Anthony is holding the 2015 PROF Henry Hill Award.

Photo by Linda Wang

The Chemical Angel Network

The Chemical Angel Network session attracted 33 attendees who heard pitches from three companies – all from the Boston area. 1. **HelixBind** which has developed an in vitro diagnostic for the rapid, sensitive and selective test for sepsis that can identify the type of pathogen. 2. **Quantum Technology Group** also an in vitro diagnostic that uses brighter quantum dots initially for the diagnostic labeling market, and 3. **PanTher Therapeutics**, a medical device proposing the use of drug eluting stents and drug eluting surgical barriers to treat pancreatic cancer.

The Chemical Angel Network provides a mechanism for accredited angel investors to source and vet quality early-stage investment opportunities, assist entrepreneurs and early-stage growth companies and be a quality source for information, educational resources and advisors. A key aim for these investments will be economic development across all markets associated with the Chemical Enterprise - one of the country's largest contributors to job growth and GDP - by helping emerging companies grow to profitability and/or grow to Venture Capital scale investments. The Chemical Angel Network measures its success by the quality of deal flow, amount of dollars invested, number of companies funded and most importantly ROI for members.

Chemical Angels will be meeting at the 2016 San Diego ACS meeting and is always looking to increase their number of angel investors and great companies applying for funding.

Entrepreneurs and potential angels are welcome to contact the Chemical Angels Network at www.chemicalangels.com.

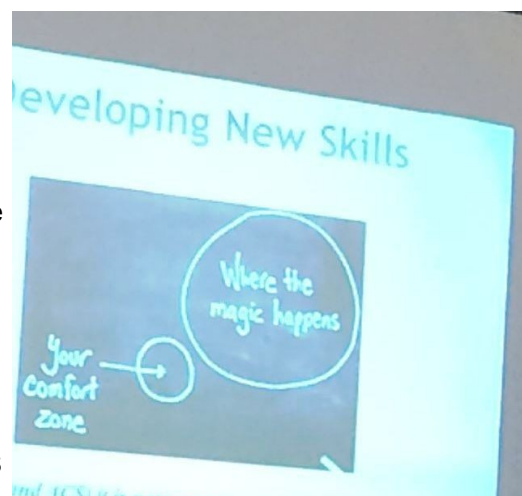
- Judy Giordan

A Check-List for Turning 30

Sponsor: Division of Professional Relations

Co-Sponsors: Younger Chemists Committee, Board of Trustees, Group Insurance Plans for ACS Members

On Tuesday, August 18 a unique symposium was presented to explore financial, professional and personal issues faced by younger members. The transition from life as a twenty-something to a thirty-something is often a time of significant change in personal priorities, as well as sustained professional growth. For example, early career chemists may wonder if the job they landed after graduation really suited them and, if not, how to compete now that their education is a few years out of date. And on the personal side, those starting a family want to know about financial and insurance options. This symposium examined those issues and provided advice from ACS career counselors, a financial planner, an insurance specialist and several ACS members who have experienced the transition.



Speaker is Doug Hausner, Chair of YCC



Getting Your First Industrial Job

The Young Chemists Subdivision hosted our “Getting Your First Industrial Job” symposium on Monday morning to a crowd of about 60. From vice presidents to recruiters, our 7-speaker panel presented on a wide array of topics for prospective job seekers. We also cosponsored international exchange programming with the Young Chemists Committee. Looking ahead to spring 2016 programming, Matt Grandbois (MLGrandbois@dow.com) and Natalie LaFranzo (nlafranzo@gmail.com) are organizing a symposium entitled “Enough to be Dangerous: A Chemist’s Handbook to Cross-Functional Development”. This session will cover aspects of the wider skill and knowledge base to help develop scientists that truly thrive, wielding a broader skill set that, although does not make them world-class experts in these complementary skills, classifies them as knowing “enough to be dangerous.” Topics will range from project leadership to IP law. If you would like to contribute a talk, please submit them online. You can direct any questions you have to Matt and Natalie.

As we look toward the Philadelphia national meeting in fall 2016, we would appreciate your suggestions. Do you have a topic on which you would like to have a symposium? Would you like to organize a symposium? Either way, please contact either Adam Myers (docamadeus@gmail.com) or our chair-elect Natalie LaFranzo (nlafranzo@gmail.com). We look forward to serving you in the coming year. - Adam C. Myers

Women in Innovation: Business and Commerce

In Boston, over 75 attendees participated in this uniquely-formatted and interactive symposium, the first in a 3-part series on Women in STEM Innovation. The focus and key theme were the skills needed to translate research to innovation to commercial offering and linking those skills to career progression from researcher to innovator to business leadership. Women from leadership roles in successfully commercializing science shared key factors for success in STEM-based business during an interactive panel, followed by a moderated Q&A session. The panelists finished the symposium by hosting “office hours” for one-on-one questions with attendees.

Thanks to our ACS and Corporate Sponsors:

Division of Professional Relations, Divisional Activities Committee, ecosVC®, Women Chemists Committee and the Division of Business Development and Management.



L to R: Moderator Judy Giordan, Panelists Marcia Stone, Dawn Mason, Bonnie Fendrock, and Marta Piñeiro-Núñez.
Below: Dawn Mason hosts “office hours” with a young colleague.



Let us hear your voice as part of the new ecosVC® initiative “*What Women Can Do™*” by taking the survey at:

www.surveymonkey.com/s/STEMWomenInInnovation

The series continues at the Spring 2016 ACS national meeting in San Diego with “*Women in Innovation: Science & Technology*”.

-Judy Giordin

Eighth Annual ACS Presidential LGBT Reception

On Tuesday, August 18, members of the PROF Subdivision of Gay and Transgender Chemists and Allies joined ACS President Diane Schmidt to host the ACS Presidential LGBT Reception at the Seaport Hotel during the Boston National Meeting. A generous contribution from President Schmidt funded the reception, which has been held as a Presidential Event since 2008, and prior to that as a NOGLSTP (National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Scientists and Technical Professionals) sponsored event since 2002.



Approximately 100 individuals attended and were treated to a great view of Boston Harbor.



The subdivision gained at least a dozen new members over the course of the two-hour reception. The next reception will be held in Philadelphia during the Fall 2016 National Meeting. - *Chris Bannochie*

Notes from the Fall ACS meeting

Thank you for the opportunity to be the chair of the Gay and Transgender and Allies Subdivision of the Professional Relations Committee of ACS and it was a pleasure to meet many of you at the FALL ACS LGBT reception in BOSTON. The reception would not have been possible without the work of Chris Bannochie and Barbara Belmont, NOGLSTP and the support of the ACS president, Diane Schmidt. The most phenomenal moment of the event for me was to meet Anthony Cromwell Hill, the son of Dr. Henry Hill. We celebrated Dr. Hill's life and legacy we celebrated in BOSTON in what would have been his centennial birthday. Anthony was kind enough to express how proud his father would have been proud to see an event such as the LGBT reception take place. A lot of positive things have happened for our community in the past few months and I hope that this is just the beginning! Dr. James Nowick, who will be the chair of the subdivision next year has planned a wonderful symposium to highlight the work of LGBT scientists in the field of Chemical Biology at our next ACS meeting in San Diego. Our community has contributed so much to the chemical sciences and it is time to celebrate our contributions! I hope you will attend this important event which is being co-sponsored by the division of Biology, Biotechnology and the Professional Relations Committee. – *Mary Crawford*



Candidates for 2016 PROF Executive Committee

Chair-Elect

Peter Smith

Biography: Peter (Pete) M. Smith holds a B.S. in Chemistry (1997) and Ph.D. in Inorganic Chemistry from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (2000). After two years as a Franklin Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow at the University of Georgia, Pete joined the faculty at Westminster College in New Wilmington, PA in 2002. In 2008 Pete was promoted to Associate Professor and to Professor in 2015. He currently serves as Chair of the Division of Biological, Chemical, and Environmental Sciences and the Director of Undergraduate Research.

Pete has been a member of the Division of Professional Relations since 2008 and served as Treasurer from 2009 - 2014. In addition to his work with PROF, Pete is also active in many other areas within the ACS. He is the Program Chair for the Division of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry; a member of the Committee on Chemical Abstract Service; and the Alternate Councilor for the Penn Ohio Border Section. Pete was a member of the Younger Chemists Committee from 2007-2009. He has also served on many ACS Examinations Institute exam committees.

Candidate Statement: I am honored to have been asked to run for Chair-Elect of the Division of Professional Relations (PROF). Having served as the Treasurer for six years, I have seen the good work that PROF has done for the careers of all ACS members. My goal while in the Chair succession of PROF will be to significantly grow the membership in the division by convincing ACS members that PROF truly is the home for all professionals in the society. Our current subdivision structure is focused on inclusion and ethics and I fully support both initiatives. I believe the best way to grow the membership of PROF is to focus programming on the one topic that is important and consequential to all members, career development. We need to support our members at every stage of their career, from undergraduate student through retirement. Providing our members with tools and resources to help them navigate the many inevitable changes they will face in their careers will be my priority as chair. Through this type of programming, I hope to grow and strengthen PROF.

Secretary

Susan M. Schelbe

SCHELBLE, SUSAN M.: Colorado Section: Metropolitan State University of Denver, Denver, CO.

Biography for 2015 Secretary Position in the Division of Professional Relations

Academic Record: Colorado State University, Ph.D. in Organic and Analytical Chemistry, 1994; University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, BS in Chemistry, 1985; St. Norbert College, BS in Medical Technology, 1971.

Honors: Project SEED Mentor/Coordinator Certificate from ACS, 2008; Certificate of Appreciation for Science Fair Judging, 2008; Certificate of Appreciation from Metro State Office of Sponsored Programs, 2008; Green Chemistry Student Affiliate Award, 2005; Community Resources of Denver, Inc., Special Recognition Award, 2000; Gamma Phi Beta Favorite Professor Award, 1994.

Professional Positions: Professor at Metropolitan State University of Denver Chemistry Department, 2005-Present; University of Colorado at Denver Chemistry Department, 1998-2005; University of Southern Colorado Chemistry Department, 1995-1998; Colorado State University Chemistry Department, 1993-1995; Colorado State University.

Service in ACS: Elected secretary (two 2-year terms) to the Division of Professional Relations (2011-2015); Appointment (three year term) to the Exams Institute Board of Trustees (2013); Appointment to the ACS Ethics Committee, 2005-20014; Appointment to Ethics Committee as Consultant; Appointment to ACS M&E 2015-2018; Appointment to the Board Committee on Community Activities, 2003-2005; Councilor, for the Colorado Section 2004-Present; Awards Committee Chair, 2003-Present

Service to DPR: Performed secretary duties since 2009, including filing reports for the division in the ACS Yellow Book every December. Contributed to division programming including Sci-Mix and membership recruitment, as well as cross-divisional and committee programming with ethics workshops and presentations.

Research Interests: Producing Ethics Education Materials; studying organophosphorus compounds as synthetic reagents for preparation of thioamides; studying reaction mechanisms and kinetics. Investigating learning strategies for chemical education.

Candidates for 2016 PROF Executive Committee (Cont.)

Professional Memberships: Division of Professional Relations since 2008; Committee on Chemical Education Research (Friends, since 2002); Council for Undergraduate Research (CUR) since 1998; Division of Chemical Education since 1990; American Chemical Society since 1982. Member of Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (2015-)

Candidate Statement: I ask for your support in my election bid to continue as Secretary for the Division of Professional Relations (PROF) of ACS. If I am given the opportunity to continue to serve in this office, I hope to work in the following areas that will benefit PROF:

- 1) Compile minutes from all PROF national meetings and teleconferences.
- 2) Provide data to the national ACS office about the division.
- 3) Work with the current executive committee of PROF to organize programming that highlights the work of Henry Hill during the 2015 anniversary of his birth.
- 4) Continue to work with all members of PROF to increase membership and activities, including programming, that enhance the professional lives of members of PROF.

Thank you for voting.

Member at Large– 2 open positions

Jacqueline Erickson, Senior Analytical Scientist, GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare

Academic record: MS Chemistry, Rutgers University, 1999; BS Chemistry, University of Delaware 1988

Professional Positions (last 10 years): Senior Analytical Scientist, GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare, 1999 to date

ACS Activities and Memberships: *NoJ Section:* Chair, 2005, Chair Elect 2004, Treasurer 2008-2016; MetroWomen Chemists Committee, co-chair, 2008; Finance Committee 2005, 2007-2016; Nominating committee chair 2007, Nominating committee 2005-2008, 2010-2011, Indicator Committee, 2004-2005, 2007-2016; YCC Chair 2000-2003; MARM 2005: Executive Committee Member and Arrangements Chair; *Division:* Member Analytical Chemistry, Chemical Information, Professional Relations; Chair, Women Chemists Subdivision of Division of Professional Relations, 2011-2014; Member-at-large 2009-2010 *National:* Councilor, 2000-2011, 2014-2017; Associate Member, Committee on Community Activities, 2014-2015; Member, Membership Affairs Committee, 2006-2012; Associate Member 2005, Committee on Economic and Professional Affairs, Member 2011, Associate Member 2010; Women Chemists Committee, Associate Member 2000-2005

Related Activities: Member, AAPS

Statement: I am honored to be a candidate for Member-at-Large for the Division of Professional Relations. If elected, I would work with the subdivisions and the executive committee to provide programming related to professional and career development for the members.

Benny Chan, Associate Professor, The College of New Jersey

Academic Record: Franklin and Marshall College, B.A. 1996; The Pennsylvania State University, Ph.D. 2003.

Professional Positions: Visiting Scholar, University of Pennsylvania 2015-2016; Associate Professor of Chemistry, The College of New Jersey 2012-present; Assistant Professor of Chemistry 2006-2012; Visiting Assistant Professor, Dickinson College 2005-2005; Post Doctoral Scholar, Colorado State University, 2002-2005; Research Affiliate, Los Alamos National Laboratory 2003-2005.

Service to ACS: Board of Directors, Trenton Local Section, 2008 to present. Local Section Chair succession 2010-2013, 2015-2017; Local Section Councilor 2014-2016; Associate Member of the Committee on Minority Affairs 2014-2015; Division of Professional Relations Younger Chemist Subdivision Former Chair. Division of Professional Relations Webmaster.

Statement: I am excited to continue my service to PROF as a member at large. I can work in the areas that are most needed. I believe that all chemists need to develop the skills necessary to be a successful professionally and I am will-

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Candidates for 2016 PROF Executive Committee (Cont.)

Member at Large– 2 open positions (cont.)

ing to continue that education through programming and outreach. I have been targeting my personal career in the area of broadening participation by creating a more inclusive and diverse environment through several NSF-funded education grants. The work has lead me to become safe zone trainer for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender community with a particular focus on the STEM community. The concepts and training developed for the LGBT community can be transferable to other disenfranchised groups to help STEM professionals understand concepts of social identities and how different identities need support.

Diane Kneeland, retired

Academic Record: PhD, Chemistry (1991), and BS Chemistry (1986), University of Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

Professional Positions: Retired 2014, The University of Texas at Austin, Natural Sciences Career Services.

Service to ACS: Committee on Employers and Professional Affairs (CEPA) Subcommittee Chair for Events, Volunteers and Employer Services. Councilor, Central Texas Local Section 2012-present. Local Section Treasurer 2014-present. Local Section Chair Succession 2004-2007. Local Section Newsletter Editor 1995-2001. PROF Newsletter editor 2015-present.

Statement: I look forward to continued involvement with the PROF Division as I take over the publication of the newsletter from Lisa Balbes. My membership in PROF will be enhanced by my role in CEPA, future membership in LSAC and role as Coordinator of the Southwest Regional Meeting in 2021.

Adam C. Myers, Research Investigator Preformulation, SSCI

Academic Record: B.S. Honors Chemistry/Biochemistry, May 2000, Purdue University; Ph.D. Organic Chemistry, Purdue University, December 2005.

Professional Positions: Research Investigator Preformulation, SSCI, 2014-Present; Senior Scientist/Team Leader, Assistant Director Pharmaceutical Analysis, Director Pharmaceutical Scientific Operations, BASi, 2007-2014; Senior Manufacturing Chemist and Chemical Safety Officer, Quadraspec, 2006-2007.

Service to ACS: Division of Professional Relations: Young Chemists Subdivision Chair 2014-2015, Chair Elect 2013, Member-at-Large 2011-2012, Chair Succession 2008-2010; Career Consultant 2015-present; Committee on Science: 2013-present; Purdue Local Section: Chair 2011-present, Vice Chair 2006-2010; Young Chemists Committee: Member 2001-2012, Program Chair 2004-2007 & 2011-2012, National Meeting Activities Subcommittee Chair 2004-2008.

Statement: I look forward to the opportunity to continue service to the Division of Professional Relations. I have enjoyed the chance to invest in the professional development of chemists both within the division and the society as a whole. Having had the opportunity to lead several symposia related to career development, both for the division and other groups within the society. My passion for assisting chemists in their careers has continued to grow, and I look forward to re-investing that back into the division, and to looking at things from a wider perspective.

Chair-Elect, Minority Affairs Subdivision

Zakiya Wilson

Chair-Elect, Women Chemists Subdivision

Judy Cohen

Candidates for 2016 PROF Executive Committee (Cont.)

Chair-Elect, Younger Chemists Subdivision

Nataile LaFranzo, PhD

Academic Record: Bradley University, BS Chemistry (2007); Washington University in St. Louis, PhD (2013)

Honors: New York Academy of Sciences NeXST Scholars Program Mentoring Fellow (2013); Presidential Management Fellowship Finalist (2013); The BALSAs Group Project Manager of the Year (2012); NSF International Materials Institute for Solar Energy and Environment Travel Award (2012); YCC Leadership Development Award (2011); USDA-NCAUR Next Generation Award (2006); Bradley University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Intern of the Year (2006)

Professional Positions: Horizon Discovery, Technical Support Scientist (2015-present); Cofactor Genomics, Project Scientist (2013-2015)

Service in ACS Offices: St. Louis Section: Secretary (2014-present); Chair, Younger Chemists Committee (2012-2015); Leadership Development Forum Organizing Committee (2012-present); National Younger Chemists Committee, (2013-present)

Related Activities: Head Cheerleading Coach, Washington University in St. Louis (2007-present); Idea Supporter, The BALSAs Foundation (2014-present)

Statement: I am excited to lead the PROF Younger Chemists (YC) subdivision in planning and executing programming relevant to young chemists. I am proud of the work PROF does to bring together young chemists from across the technical divisions of the Society to support their professional development. Please contact us at info@ycc-acs.org if you have ideas for symposia or workshops that our subdivision can support!

Chair-Elect, Gay and Transgender Chemists and Allies Subdivision

Mary Crawford, ACS IL Heartland Section: Peoria, IL

Academic Record: Knox College, Galesburg, IL, BA in Chemistry, 1989; Purdue University, Ph.D. in Analytical Chemistry, 1999.

Honors: The Trio Achievement Program Distinguished Educator Award, 2008; Howard Hughes Medical Institute Faculty Fellowship, Knox College, 2005-2006; David Robinson Fan of the Year Award, Knox College, 2005-2006; Alfred P. Sloan Dissertation Grant, Purdue University, 1999; Howard Hughes Medical Institute Teaching Fellowship, Knox College Department of Chemistry, 1997-1998; Chemistry Departmental Fellowship, Purdue University, 1995-1996; Loren T. Jones Summer Research Fellowship, Purdue University 1995; National Needs Summer Research Fellowship, Purdue University, 1993; Graduate Education for Minorities (GEM) Fellowship 1991-1992; College Honors in Chemistry, Knox College, Galesburg, IL, 1989; Elected to Sigma Xi, Knox College, Galesburg, IL, 1989; ACM-Mellon Minority Student & Academic Careers Summer Fellow, Knox College, Galesburg, IL, 1988.

Professional Positions: Chair of Department of Chemistry at Knox College, 2012-Present; member of the department of Chemistry at Knox College since 1997. Graduate Student Research Assistant/ Intern at the Scientific Research Lab, Ford Motor Company 1995-1997; GEM Fellowship Intern, Union Carbide Corporation, Summer 1990; Coordinator of Multicultural Recruitment, Knox College, 1990-1991.

Service in ACS: Journal of Chemical Education Reviewer, 2007 to present; ACS-LGBT Chemists and Allies Subdivision, Executive Committee, 2011-present. Chair-Elect and Chair of the Gay, Transgendered Chemist and Allies Committee 2014 and 2015, respectively.

Research Interests: Studying the kinetics of atmospheric reactions in the troposphere. Developing curricular materials to help students make connections between physical chemistry and other areas of science and technology

Professional Memberships: ACS member since 2009; ACS Division of Chemical Education; ACS Division of Physical Chemistry, ACS Division of Professional Relations; Council for Undergraduate Research (CUR) since 2011; served as National Organization for the Professional Advancement of Black Chemists and Chemical Engineers - served as National student representative from 1996-1997; elected to Sigma Xi, 1989.

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Candidates for 2016 PROF Executive Committee (Cont.)

Community Service/ Related Activities: PI Creating Opportunity and Access in Science and Technology (COAST) – Principal Investigator NSF-STEM grant DUE- 1258935, 2013-2018; Panelist on Careers in the Physical Sciences at Out to Innovate Conference, 2012; Conference Session Chair, ACS Great Lakes Regional Poster Session, 2004; Annual Panelist Multicultural Student Orientation, 2005 to present; Workshop Facilitator for ABLE/Lo Nuestro Multicultural Tri-College Conference on (A) *Education and Professional Fields* (B) *Preparing for Graduate School & the Workforce*, 2001; Faculty Colloquium on Assessment in the Sciences; Knox College representative to the Associated Colleges of the Midwest (ACM) committee on the Status of Women-Knox representative and served one year as chair; HHMI Girls Summer Camp co-Director.

Candidate Statement: It is an honor to be considered a candidate for the Chair Elect of the Gay, Transgendered Chemist and Allies. I have spent my entire career trying to make chemistry more accessible to students of a diverse background. This past year I had the honor of serving as your chair. We have been undergoing a membership drive and we have had some success but I think we can do better. I had the pleasure of meeting some of you at the reception in Boston and I appreciate the support of this important committee. Next year we have a symposium of LGBT scientists in the field of chemical biology in the works for our spring meeting in San Diego and the current chair-elect has been working diligently to make this come to fruition. The Professional Relations Committee is also working to put together a broadening participation symposium in Philadelphia in the summer of 2016. I hope you can support me as I would love to help in these efforts next year!

Chair-Elect, Chemists with Disabilities Subdivision

Lee Hoffman, Assistant Teaching Professor, Drexel University

Academic Record: PhD, Chemistry, 2010, Flinders University, Adelaide, South Australia. MS, Chemistry, 1996, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI. BS, Chemistry, 1992, University of Wisconsin – La Crosse, La Crosse, WI.

Honors and Professional Associations: Endeavour International Postgraduate Research Scholarship (EIPRS), 2006; ACS, Member 1999-present; member, Royal Society of Chemistry, 2012-present.

Statement: This is an exciting time for me as I begin my professional, academic career and continue to grow professionally within the ACS. Having served on the CWD committee (and been involved in ACS for many more), I have had the opportunity to see many changes to diversity and inclusion. Thus, it is both an honor and a privilege to be asked to serve as the CWD subdivision chair-elect for the Division of Professional Relations. As chair-elect, I will continue to bridge efforts of both CWD and PROF in further creating opportunities for all individuals within the Society and its activities. One of my first activities will focus on the organization of symposia at the national meetings, sponsored in part by PROF, that focus on diversity and inclusion. Additionally, I will work with all members of the executive committee to ensure opportunities of professional development are made available to everyone.

Chair-Elect, Ethics Subdivision

Joe Stoner, retired

Academic Record: Georgia Institute of Technology, B.Ch.E., 1966, University of Georgia, M.B.A., 1971.

Honors: ACS Fellow, 2011; Phi Kappa Phi; Beta Gamma Sigma; Recipient, Director's Award for Advancing ACS Public Policy in R&D Finding, 1998; Georgia Tech Alumni Association Ramblin' Wreck Volunteer Award, 1998.

Professional Positions (for past ten years): Retired, 2010; Habitat for Humanity-DeKalb, Executive Director, 2008-2009, Resource Development Manager, 2005-2008; Alcott Chromatography, Sales Manager, 2002-2005.

Service in ACS Offices: Georgia Section: Councilor, 2007-2012, Alternate Councilor, 2013-Present; Secretary, 2004-2006; Chair, 2003. North Jersey Section: Chair 1995, Councilor 1994-1996, 1998-1999. North Jersey Chromatography
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Candidates for 2016 PROF Executive Committee (Cont.)

Chair-Elect, Ethics Subdivision (cont.)

Topical Group, Chair 1992-1993; Treasurer 1991-1992; Secretary 1990-1991. National: Budget & Finance Committee, 2009-Present, Chair, Subcommittee on Financial Impacts of Constitution & By-Law Amendments, 2014-Present. Committee on Economic & Professional Activities, 2008-2010, 1999, 1995-1996; Chair, Subcommittee on Professional Standards & Ethics, 1996; Chair Subcommittee on Policy, 1999. Chair, Middle Atlantic Region Caucus, 1995-1996.

Member, ACS Divisions: Professional Relations, Chair, 2014, Chair-Elect 2013, Chair, Ethics Subdivision 2012. Business Development & Management. Analytical Chemistry.

Related Activities: DeKalb History Center Board of Directors, Leadership DeKalb, Class of 2009.

Statement: I am looking forward to joining Greg Ferrence in the leadership of the Ethics Subdivision. I will be resuming my activities as chair of the subdivision in 2012. I was particularly pleased with the symposium Ethics Programs in Corporations and Institutions that we organized for the 245th ACS National Meeting in New Orleans. I look forward to working with Greg to create similar programming in the next two years. I am pleased as well with the joint programming that the subdivision has been able to create in cosponsorship with other divisions such as the excellent symposium with the Division of Chemical Information in Dallas. I hope to work with Greg in encouraging other divisions to join with us in creating similar programming.

PROF Executive Committee Meeting, Boston 2015



Brief Minutes from the Boston DPR Meeting

E. Ann Nalley, Chair of Division of Professional Relations, called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM on August 18, 2015 at the Boston Convention Center Boston, MA. Thirteen (of the 19) members of the Executive Committee were present. Also attending were 8 members from the Division. The following is a summary of items addressed at the meeting.

- The Executive Committee meeting of DPR will work efficiently in order to be ready for the Henry Hill Award event (SeaPort Hotel-Boston, Plaza Room) to be held at 5PM immediately after this business meeting of PROF.
- Ann summarized the events for Henry Hill that have been ongoing during this 250th National Meeting of the ACS. There are Brochures of Henry Hill events at this meeting. He led legacy of philosophy of PROF including being first petition president of ACS. Founder of the Division. He left other legacies, such as Professional Employment Guidelines. Tonight his son will receive the award (Anthony). Henry Hill's wife (95) was unable to attend, but has sent a video. Henry Hill started his academic career in Boston.
- Ann will lead programming (four half-days) at Pacifichem. Sponsored by PROF.
- PROF lost members, so we cannot support two councilors. Ann encouraged us to increase membership to re-acquire our second councilor. She made membership brochures available to all of us to take to our colleagues.
- In 2016, Henry Hill and Lou Sacco awards will go back to spring meeting. Ann suggests that we make sure new members of PROF get invited to reception and get recognition. Greg said opportunity exists. He said that CUR councilors didn't know what PPR was (many assumed it was an *HR* group). James Novick said he will promote this at San Diego meeting. Lynne stressed the importance of getting membership info to organization at the level where they do bean counting.
- Gloria Thomas, Chair-elect, reported that she made it to many Henry Hill events, and she thinks this will be good recruiting for our division. She will look at subdivision structures. She wants us to think about the fact that 5 of 6 subdivisions center on under-represented groups. She will work with Ann to carefully look at how we can modify sub-division and look at how programming and membership could be enhanced by looking at these.
- Sue Schelble, Secretary, reported that we will need to keep good track of all PROF activities for the annual report once the paper copy of the programming goes away. Diane pointed out that ACS account is the place for putting on address changes etc.
- Keith Vitense reported about nominations. Keith, Joe Stoner and Janet Smith were on the committee. for the 2015 ballot they recommended Pete Smith as candidate for Chair Elect, Sue Schelble for Secretary, Jackie Erickson, Diane Kneeland, Adam Myers and Benny Chan for members-at-large (2 seats open). Lee Hoffman will run for Chemists with Disabilities Subdivision. Mary Crawford will run to to be Chair-elect of Gay and Transgender Chemists and Allies Subdivision, as James Nowick assumes Chair duties for 2016. Joe Stoner will run to be chair elect of Ethics Subdivision as Greg Ferrence Chairs this subdivision in 2016. Margaret Kanipes Spinks is going to Chair Minority Chemists Subdivision in 2016. Judy Cohen will run to be Chair-elect of Women Chemists subdivision, as Taina Matos chairs this in 2016. Natalie will run to be Chair-elect of Younger Chemists subdivision, which she chairs in 2016. Keith will collect election

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PROF Executive Committee Meeting, Boston 2015 (cont.)

results and Benny will run the technical part.

- Sarah Kennedy, treasurer, sent her report to Gloria to be read at the meeting. The finances of PROF are in good shape. Janet Bryant and Sue Schelble currently have IPG funding and are doing great things with these funds. We have generous partners for funding lunches and events at the national ACS meetings. We've also been able to sponsor many registrations for our guest speakers. Our Fidelity investment account is performing well and will allow for us to draw upon a small portion of savings for this year's special Henry Hill occasion.
- Dan Libby, Program Chair, reported that attendance was good at all Boston symposium sponsored or co-sponsored by PROF. 1. Boston Meeting-**Program Theme:** Innovation from Discovery to Application. 2. San Diego-**Program Theme:** Computers in Chemistry. 3. Philadelphia-**Program Theme:** Chemistry of the People, by the *People and for the People*. Good theme for PROF.
- The meeting ended with reports of Chairs of Various Sub-divisions: Cary Supalo/Lee Hoffmann reported on Chemists with Disabilities. There was no programming for Boston, but are planning for Philly fall. They will be doing some future work that will perhaps need sponsorship for speakers. Lee said he will work with Ann on leading joint programming for Philadelphia. Greg Ferrence reported on Ethics. PROF supported, and with Sue Schelble as lead PI, NSF proposal "Collaborative Research Institutional Transformation: Creating Chemistry Ethical Culture and Knowledge CChECK" was not recommended for funding. This is the proposal reported on in Denver that was submitted shortly before the Denver meeting. In Boston, PROF is cosponsoring 'Chemical Information Skills: The Essential Toolkit for Chemical Research,' organized by Grace Baysinger of CINF (all day Wednesday). PROF is cosponsoring "Symposium on Scientific Integrity, Can we rely on the published scientific literature" organized by Judith Currano and William Town and CINF (all day Tuesday). In San Diego, PROF is cosponsoring 'Ethics 101,' organized by Leah McEwen, Karlo Lopez, and Susan Schelble via CINF. In other news, PROF IPG: 'Developing Short Video Ethics Scenarios for Ethics Education in Chemistry. Mary Crawford reported on Gay and Transgender Chemists and Allies that past chair and chair elect are all here. They had panel in San Francisco, which Barbara Belmont moderated. They are doing membership drive for PROF and subdivision through link in newsletter. In San Diego they will have symposium on chemical biology, and will use \$3000 from PROF to help organize this. There are several co-sponsors already on board. Mary reported on the great job done by Henry Hill programming. Gloria Thomas reported on Minority Chemists for Zakiya Wilson. There was no programming specifically for minority chemists at this meeting, but there will be at Pacifichem. Women Janet Bryant and Judy Cohen sent report on Women Chemists. Adam Myers reported on Younger Chemists. The symposium, *Getting Your First Job*, brought in lots of participants for the second speaker session. Joe and Natalie were also speakers. They handed out brochures for PROF. Working on fixing mis-communication with other events in programming. Natalie will work with Matt on YCC to work on this.

PROF 2015 Officers

Chair: E. Ann Nalley
Chair-Elect: Gloria Thomas
Secretary: Susan M. Schelble
Treasurer: Sarah Kennedy

Actions of Council

American Chemical Society 250th National Meeting

Boston, Massachusetts August 16-20, 2015

Based on "Councilor Talking Points" prepared by the office of the Secretary and General Counsel of ACS

Elections

- **Committee on Committees:** Council elected **Christopher J. Bannochie, Michelle V. Buchanan, Alan B. Cooper, Donna G. Friedman, and Carolyn Ribes** for a 2016-2018 term, and **Jetty Duffy-Matzner** for a two-year term,
- 2016-2017.
- **Council Policy Committee:** Council elected **Frank D. Blum, Mary K. Carroll, Lisa Houston, and Lee H. Latimer** for a 2016-2018 term.
- **Committee on Nominations and Elections:** Council elected **Mary K. (Moore) Engelman, Roland F. Hirsch, C. Marvin Lang, Les W. McQuire, and Donivan R. Porterfield** for a 2016-2018 term.

Petitions to Amend Bylaws

Contingent upon confirmation by the ACS Board of Directors, the Council VOTED to approve

- The *Petition on Preferential Voting*
- The Petition on Member Expulsion
- The Balloting and Preferential Voting Procedures for Elections of President-Elect, District Directors, and Directors-at-Large
- The Procedure for Expulsion of a Member.

Reports of Elected Committees (Highlights)

Nominations and Elections (N&E)

Candidates for the fall 2015 ACS national election were announced:

Candidates for President-Elect, 2016

G. Bryan Balazs, Associate Program Leader, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, CA
Allison A. Campbell, Associate Laboratory Director, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, WA

Candidates for Directors-at-Large, 2016-2018

Lee H. Latimer, Head of Chemistry, NeurOp, Inc., Oakland, CA
Willem R. Leenstra, Associate Professor, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT
Ingrid Montes, Professor, University of Puerto Rico - Rio Piedras Campus, San Juan, PR
Mary Jo Ondrechen, Professor of Chemistry and Chemical Biology, Northeastern University, Boston, MA
Thomas W. Smith, Professor, Chemistry & Microsystems Engineering, School of Chemistry and Materials Science, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY

Candidates for District I Director, 2016-2018

Thomas R. Gilbert, Professor, Northeastern University, Boston, MA
Laura E. Pence, Professor of Chemistry, University of Hartford, West Hartford, CT

Candidates for District V Director, 2016-2018

John E. Adams, Curators' Teaching Professor, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO
Kenneth P. Fivizzani, Retired, Nalco Company, Naperville, IL

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Committee on Committees (ConC)

Recommendations are being developed for 2016 committee chairs, members, associates, and consultant appointments for consideration by the President-Elect and the Chair of the Board of Directors.

Council Policy (CPC)

The CPC Long-Range Planning Subcommittee was asked to review the way Local Sections and Divisions are currently represented on Council. They are examining issues that affect the Divisor formulae set out in the Bylaws; for example:

- How sacrosanct is the rule that twenty percent of elected Councilors shall be elected by Divisions, and eighty percent shall be elected by Local Sections?
- What would Council look like if the ratio were changed, for example to 30/70?
- Should there be more Division representation on Council and what would be the impact?
- Would change in representation result in changes in resources for Divisions?
- Should a cap be placed on the number of Councilors per Local Section and Divisions to ensure more balance?
- What does representation look like for international members of Local sections and Divisions?

Comments on these questions can be submitted to President@acs.org.

Reports of Society Committees and the Committee on Science

Budget and Finance (B&F)

Reviewed the Society's 2015 probable year-end financial projection, which expects a Net Contribution from Operations of \$15.5 million, or \$2.1 million higher than the Approved Budget. Total revenues are projected at \$512.1 million, which is \$481,000 favorable to the Approved Budget (essentially on Budget). Total expenses are projected at \$496.6 million, which is \$1.6 million or 0.3% favorable to the Approved Budget. This variance is the result of **lower-than-budgeted expenses across almost all major expense categories**.

Education (SOCED)

- Voted to **approve revisions to the ACS Guidelines for Chemistry in Two-Year Colleges**.
- Voted to make the pilot program of ACS International Student Chapters a permanent feature of the student chapters program. ACS has chartered 15 International Student Chapters since the pilot launched last year.

Science (ComSci)

- Voted to **recommend approval of the draft ACS policy statement on energy**, a notably improved statement on this critical economic and environmental issue.
- Sponsored a roundtable discussion with leaders of Divisions, journals, and outside experts on moving advanced materials from discovery to application.

Reports of Standing Committees

Divisional Activities (DAC)

- Recently completed a review of a white paper to help Divisions identify, evaluate, and pursue international engagement opportunities;
- Received an update on several changes to the Meeting Abstracts Programming System(MAPS)
- Was briefed on a recently-created task force that seeks to enhance the content and functionality of the acs.org web pages that help Division and Local Section volunteers execute their volunteer duties
- Voted to fund 14 Innovative Project Grants (IPG) totaling \$77,050.
- Proposing 2018 national meeting themes to the Divisions for their consideration:
- *Nexus of Food, Energy and Water* (Spring/New Orleans)
- *Nanotechnology* (Fall/Boston).

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Local Section Activities (LSAC)

- Will award 20 Innovative Project Grant (IPG) grants totaling \$39,886. Total for 2015 - 34 IPG awards for over \$75,000.
- Voted to keep the current Local Section allotment formula in place for the next three years
- Developed a new process for managing the annexation of unassigned territories by multiple sections.

Membership Affairs (MAC)

Reported:

- As of July 31, the ACS had 156,561 members, 2,055 fewer than on July 31, 2014.
- 14,457 new members have joined this year; 147 fewer than this time last year.
- The ACS overall retention rate is 84%.
- The number of international members has increased to 25,989, 1,014 higher than in July 2014.
- The international retention rate is 85%.
- Intends to submit a petition for consideration in San Diego to permanently extend the Unemployed Member Dues Waiver Benefit period from two years to three years.

Economic and Professional Affairs (CEPA)

Reported on ACS ChemCensus:

- Data showed that Domestic Unemployment among ACS member chemists increased in the last year from 2.9% to 3.1%.
- Current unemployment rate is lower than it was from 2009 to 2013.
- There was a modest salary increase year-over-year.
- The percentage of ACS members working in manufacturing increased for the first year since 2004,
- Trends are mirrored by a slight decline in the percentage of members in academia.
- Other workforce categories remained relatively flat.

Meetings and Expositions (M&E)

Accepted 9,271 papers for the Boston meeting.

- As of the Council meeting, total attendance for the meeting was 13,888. The Exposition had 475 booths with 325 exhibiting companies.
- There were nearly 5500 downloads of the Boston Mobile App.
- Established a new Operations Subcommittee, responsible for monitoring the financial success of the national meetings, monitoring compliance with the National Meeting Long Range Financial Plan and the recommendations of the 2015 Task Force on Implementing National Meeting Financial Targets.

Constitution and Bylaws (C&B)

- Certified 14 bylaws in 2015, and has reviewed bylaws for 9 Local Sections and 2 Divisions since the spring meeting in Denver.
- New petitions to amend the Constitution or Bylaws must be received by the Executive Director no later than November 25, to be included in the Council agenda for consideration at the spring 2016 meeting in San Diego.

Contact C&B at bylaws@acs.org for more information.

Reports of Other Committees

Chemical Safety (CCS)

- Released its final report, "Identifying and Evaluating Hazards in Research Laboratories," in 2015. This report is available at www.acs.org/safety.
- Councilors and their institutions that are engaged in research were urged to consider using this guide to help keep their laboratories safer.

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Chemists with Disabilities (CWD)

- In June 2015, CWD held a strategic planning workshop. Accomplishments include: refined mission and vision statements, as well as 4 goals and strategies to achieve them.
- Initiated conversations with the ACS Standard Exams Institute to address the unavailability in Braille of ACS Standard Exams, Practice Tests and Study Guides.

Community Activities (CCA)

Reported that one of its most popular programs is the nation-wide Illustrated Poem Contest (IPC). Local Sections submit outstanding entries based on the theme of National Chemistry Week or Chemists Celebrate Earth Day. In the spirit of the IPC, the chair used various styles of verse to report on CCA's public outreach event held at the Boston Museum of Science, and to announce the theme of National Chemistry Week 2016, "Solving Mysteries Through Chemistry".

Ethics (ETHX)

- Requested that the committee be kept informed of any ethics-related activity sponsored by ACS entities such as committees, Local Sections and Divisions.
- Will provide this information (with proper credit) to national meeting attendees.

Please contact the committee staff liaison at E_slater@acs.org.

International Activities (IAC)

Welcomed:

- Dignitaries from our sister societies in Canada, Cuba, India, Germany, Taiwan and the UK.
- The leaders of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), the US National Academies of Science, the Iraqi Chemical Society, ACS International Chapters, and ACS International Student Chapters.
- Approved the ACS Global Innovation Initiatives (Gii) Singapore White Paper.
- Chose South America and Mexico for the 2017 joint ACS-Pittcon program to foster exchange and research collaboration in analytical chemistry.

Minority Affairs (CMA)

Focused its activities at this meeting on the 20th anniversary celebration of the ACS Scholars Program:

- The program has awarded more than \$17 million in scholarship assistance since 1995 to enable 2,500 talented minority students to pursue their dreams of a degree in the chemical sciences.
- The new Scholars Endowment Fund now has commitments of more than \$2 million.
- Nominations are being sought for the Stanley C. Israel Award.

Instructions for nominations can be found at www.acs.org/stan-israel-award.

Patents and Related Matters (CPRM)

- Continues to monitor **legislative and regulatory developments influencing intellectual property** in ways that impact the chemical enterprise.
- The committee website is updated frequently and contains a **wealth of helpful information about intellectual property matters** relevant to those in the chemical enterprise.

Project SEED (SEED)

- Announced another successful SEED program with the participation of 411 high school students. These students are currently placed in over 100 laboratories across the nation, under the supervision of over 400 volunteer scientists and coordinators in 39 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.
- Awarded 32 first year non-renewable College Scholarships to SEED alumni in 17 states and Puerto Rico.

Public Relations and Communications (CPRC)

Co-sponsored a number of events in Boston to showcase ways to increase public appreciation for chemistry:

- The PBS preview of "Mystery of Matter: Search for the Elements"
- A symposium on the public perception of chemistry co-sponsored with *Chemical & Engineering News*

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- The ACS Office of Public Affairs
- ChemChamps
- Wikipedia Edit-a-thon, co-sponsored with the Division of Chemical Information.

Senior Chemists (SCC)

This meeting marked the third anniversary of the formation of the SCC at the Philadelphia National Meeting.

- SCC has been able to establish a number of initiatives thru its provision of mini-grants to Local Sections to sponsor senior-related activities, several of which were recognized by the initial ChemLuminary awards at Boston.
- A committee retreat is being planned for this fall to identify priorities that will serve the SCC constituency as well as meeting the strategic goals of the committee.

Technician Affairs (CTA)

Now accepting **nominations for the 2016 National Chemical Technician Award**. This annual award is presented in recognition of outstanding technical and communication skills, reliability, leadership, teamwork, publications, and presentations. *For more information about the award, please visit the committee website at acs.org/cta.*

Younger Chemists (YCC)

- The Program in a Box effort continues to grow rapidly with a 43% increase in the number of disseminated boxes between the fall 2014 and February 2015, when 181 boxes were delivered to local sections and international chapters.
- Participated in the 5th Younger Chemists Crossing Borders, an exchange that brings younger chemists from parts of Europe to the meeting.
- Currently in discussions with N&E, ACS Webinars, ACS Office of Public Affairs, and the presidential candidates about holding a roundtable webinar, “Catalyze the Vote”, where the candidates can speak to the younger constituency about their vision for the Society in the future.

Actions of the Board of Directors

The Board's Executive Session

The Board's Committees

Received reports from its Executive Committee, the Committee on Grants and Awards (G&A), the Society Committee on Budget and Finance (B&F), and the ACS Governing Board for Publishing:

- **VOTED** to approve a Society nominee for the National Science Board Public Service Award.
- **VOTED** to approve a Society nominee for the 2016 Alan T. Waterman Award.
- **VOTED** to approve an advance member registration fee of \$415 for national meetings held in 2016
- **VOTED** to authorize a new program funding request for the ACS Festival Series program
- **VOTED** to reauthorize funding for the ACS Science Coaches program.

The Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer's Report

Updated the Board on the activities of Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS), the ACS Publications Division, and the Society's Secretary and General Counsel.

- The Board **VOTED** to reappoint an Editor-in-Chief of an ACS journal.

Other Society Business

The Board also:

- Held a discussion on strategic questions related to the health and strength of Local Sections and Divisions.
- Received reports from Presidential Succession on events in Boston, and planned activities for 2016.
- Approved a resolution to extend sincere congratulations to the Sociedad Química de México on the occasion of the 50th Congreso Mexicano de Química, 7-10 October 2015, in Querétaro, Querétaro México.

The Board's Regular (Open) Session

The Board's open session on Sunday, August 16, featured George Whitesides, whose topic was “Reengineering Chemistry.” Members of the presidential succession and the Executive Director and CEO offered brief reports.

More at <http://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/about/governance/councilors/officer-reports.html>

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- ☐ Subdivision on Chemists with Disabilities (\$2)
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- ☐ Subdivision of Gay & Transgender Chemists and Allies (\$2)
- ☐ Subdivision on Minority Affairs (\$2)
- ☐ Subdivision of Women Chemists (\$2)
- ☐ Subdivision of Younger Chemists (\$2)

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