

## **Detroit Local Section presents November Section Meeting “Tour of the Parade Company Studio”**

**Date: Saturday, November 17, 2012**

**Time: 1:00 PM Tour  
2:00 PM Dutch Treat Lunch**

**Location: The Parade Company Studio  
9500 Mt. Elliott, Studio A  
Detroit, MI 48211**

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This event is open to families, but space is very limited! Please RSVP to Mary Kay Heidtke at [mkheidtke@aol.com](mailto:mkheidtke@aol.com) if you are interested. There is no cost to attend the event. When you RSVP, please let us know how many adults and children are attending.

## **Thank You For A Job Well Done**

I hope that every member of the Detroit Section knows that we have just concluded the 43<sup>rd</sup> Central Regional Meeting of the ACS (the CERM), and that this was the first one the Detroit Section has hosted since 1974. The year for this CERM is significant, as the Detroit Section first became part of the ACS in 1912, and thus this is our centennial.

There is no possible way that a meeting of this size comes to pass because of just one person, so I'd like to take a moment to thank the people that did the real work, the true heavy lifting, as it were. I'll start with Dr. Bill Madden, from Lawrence Tech, our Program Chair. Bill made sure we had some great symposia, that our sessions ran on time, and that there was a wide range of topics from which to choose.

Our Treasurer and Webmaster, Mr. Kevin Perry, from General Motors, did an absolutely wonderful job making sure our finances were and are in order, and that our website was up to date, and directed attendees properly in a host of situations. The financials are not yet completed, but we may have actually made a small profit for the section.

Another big thank you goes to Mr. Jim Landis of Henkel Corporation, both for his work as our Publicity Chair and for assembling our program. Jim made sure we had plenty of announcements issued throughout the entire region as we wound up to the start date for the meeting. And anyone who thinks that putting a program of this size together is an easy job has certainly never tried it. Well done, Jim.

There were numerous well orchestrated social events at our meeting, for which Denise Grimsley of BASF, Felix Schneider from the FDA, and Mary Kay Heidtke of Magni Industries (and our local section Chair, no less!) deserve a lot of credit and praise. Whether it was something as straightforward as a coffee break, as fun and exotic as an ice cream social, or as crazy as an awards dinner where multiple people showed without an RSVP, these three made every event come off without a hitch. The old expression is, "thank you from the bottom of my heart." For me,

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the more applicable one here probably ends with, "...from the bottom of my stomach."

Marye Kay Heidtke also made sure the national and section-based awards were given out in a great after-dinner ceremony. Thanks to Mary Kay for making this happen without a single hiccup.

Ms. Megan Klein of Ash Stevens put together an excellent set of workshops, and worked tirelessly with the ACS national headquarters to ensure that any attendee had an opportunity to be part of them, and hone their career skills. The standing room only crowd was testimony that this event was remarkably useful.

Thanks also go to Dr. Matt Mio of the University of Detroit Mercy, and the graduate students of Michigan State University for orchestrating a Battle of the Chem Clubs Royale. The event occupied a big part of Saturday morning, included student groups from several schools, and proved a lot of fun, trying to get through some rather unconventional competitions.

Dr. Tony Sky of Lawrence Tech deserves an absolutely huge thank you for all his work in recruiting vendors and sponsors for the meeting and all of its component parts. The Fundraising Coordinator position is one of those thankless jobs that remains absolutely necessary to make any meeting a success. Tony, you truly can pull pots of gold from thin air. Thank you very, very much.

And of course, all of us who worked on setting the meeting up want to thank Beverly Johnson and her crew from the ACS headquarters in Washington. Bev and her posse had the answers in every single situation when we came up short.

There are enough other people to thank that the list could get dangerously long. So I'll conclude by adding that thanks should go to our many vendors, session organizers, event organizers, and symposia chairs, among many others. It all came together wonderfully.

If I missed anyone on this list, I apologize. I hope everyone had as much fun at the CERM as I did, and that you found it a great experience. Once again, thank you to everyone involved.

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**Tuesday, November 20th, 2012 at 7 PM**

**Chemistry is for the Birds**

**Presented by:**

**Dr. Dwight Chasar, Ph.D., a retired R&D Fellow from Emerald Performance Materials (BF Goodrich Co.) and professional bird watcher**

Chemists like to think that chemistry is the central science. Recently, avian biologists and some chemists have examined more closely the chemistry associated with birds, using the tools we chemists have used for years to better understand facets of bird life and behavior. This presentation will discuss some recent as well as older research into this chemistry. The chemical pigments that give birds color, the chemicals that birds use for survival in the wild, chemicals that nearly extirpated raptors, and the use of stable isotopes to understand bird migration will be discussed. From the simplicity of bird poop to the complexity of bird DNA analysis, chemistry is playing a big role in understanding bird dynamics. Along the way bird photos should brighten up the chemistry discussions.

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# DETROIT SECTION, AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY - INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTING

It is time for the annual election of Detroit Section Officers and Councilors. No petition candidates were nominated. The biographies of the candidates are listed alphabetically on pages 6 through 7. Ballot listings are alphabetical when there is more than one candidate for an office.

This year you have two options for voting. You may vote electronically via the internet or by a traditional paper ballot. Please vote by one method only. Instructions for the two methods are given below. To vote by either method, you will need to provide your ACS member number. Your member number may be found on your membership card, your annual membership statement, or in the upper left corner of the address label on your hardcopy of Chemical & Engineering News. Member numbers will be used only to ensure that one-member one-vote is maintained.

**PAPER BALLOT** – To vote by paper ballot, cut out the ballot printed in this issue of the Detroit Chemist on page 8 and mark your choices. Enclose the ballot in an envelope; clearly write your member number in the upper left hand corner on the outside of the envelope, and mail the envelope to:

Jim Landis  
131 Arthur Drive  
Troy, MI 48083-1704

In order for your ballot to count, it must be mailed in time to be postmarked on or before Friday, November 30, 2011.

**ELECTRONIC BALLOT** – To vote electronically via the Internet, please go to the following url,

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and make your election choices on or before midnight on Friday, November 30, 2011. You will be asked to supply your ACS member number. Then click on the “done” button. Member numbers will only be used to ensure one-member/one-vote.

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## 2012 Election Candidates

### DENISE GRIMSLEY:

Denise Grimsley has been a long time member of the Detroit Local Section American Chemical Society, who, as co-chair of the Section's Kids and Chemistry Committee, has managed the Section's National Chemistry Week for over fifteen years. Denise is in the Analytical Lab at BASF.

### MARY KAY HEIDTKE:

Mary Kay Heidtke has been a member of the Detroit Local Section American Chemical Society since 1998. Since 1999 she has served as a Co-Chair for the Kids & Chemistry Outreach Program. In this capacity she has helped to organize both large and small events in the Metropolitan Detroit Area. In 2006 and 2007 Mary Kay was Treasurer of the Detroit Section. Then in 2008 – 2009, she became Secretary of the Detroit Section. With ACS she has also been an Alternate Councilor and heads the Recognition Committee. She most recently held the position of chair from 2011 - 2012. Mary Kay received her Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from Michigan Technological University in 1993. She is currently employed as an Environmental, Health, and Safety Engineer for Magni Industries in Detroit. She is also a member of Anachem.

MEGAN KLEIN: Megan has been an active volunteer for the ACS since joining the Detroit Section in 2001. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Xavier University and has been with Ash Stevens, Inc as an Analytical Chemist for over a decade. She has served the Executive Committee in several roles including Treasurer, Secretary, Alternate Councilor and Career Coordinator.

As Career Coordinator, Megan made an effort to ease members' career transitions and job searches by providing evening and weekend workshops, one-on-one assistance and networking with ACS members. Megan and fellow volunteers have earned our Section five National ACS ChemLuminary Awards. The Career Program earned a Local Section Activities Committee Grant for the Tri-Sectional Career Program held in April 2007 and an additional grant for a free ACS Leadership Development workshop in October 2009. Due to her dedication to the career program, she was awarded a Salute to Excellence Award in 2005.

Megan is also an active participant in Detroit Section Kids in Chemistry programs, for which she received a Salute to Excellence and a Distinguished Service Award in May 2007.

Megan is looking forward to continuing her active role in the Detroit Section while supporting outreach programs.

### KARRIE MANES:

Karrie Manes was active in the Section's Younger Chemist Committee during

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her undergraduate years at University of Detroit Mercy and has been active on the CERM Organizing Committee and as Acting Secretary since completing her Ph.D. at Michigan State in 2011. She works at Landon-IP on intellectual property and patents.

**STEVEN SCRIBNER:**

Dr. Steven Scribner is an Assistant Professor of Chemistry at Marygrove College in Detroit. He began working at Marygrove College in 1998 after receiving his Ph.D. in Chemistry from Wayne State University. He received a B.S. degree in Chemistry from Alma College and a M.S. in Crop & Soil Science from Michigan State. His research interests include organometallic synthesis, fate of organic chemicals in soils and undergraduate chemical education. He has served as Chair, Secretary and Treasurer and membership chair for the Section.

**WALTER SIEGL:**

Walter is a long-serving member of the Detroit Section Executive Committee where he has held the offices of Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Alternate Councillor, and Councillor. At the National level Walter serves on the ACS Council, the Council Committee on Constitution and Bylaws (C&B) where he is a subcommittee chair. Walter is currently a Trustee, co-chair of the Long Rang Planning Committee and chair of the Kids & Chemistry. He has twice received the Section's Distinguished Service Award (1984 and 2002). Walter received his B.A. degree from Ohio Wesleyan University, M.S. degree from Emory University, and Ph.D. (1969) and MSW (2007) from Wayne State University. After Post-doctoral study at Stanford University he joined the Research Staff of the Ford Motor Company where he worked in the area of environmental analytical chemistry until 2002. He has authored or co-authored 10 patents and 90 technical publications. Since retiring from Ford in 2002 he has worked as a consultant, an adjunct lecturer at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, and currently, a clinical social worker at the WSU's Jefferson Avenue Research Clinic.

**ANTHONY SKY:**

Anthony Sky is Professor of Chemistry and Chair of the Department of Natural Sciences at Lawrence Technological University. Dr. Sky has been a member of the Education Committee, Detroit Local Section (DLS) of the American Chemical Society (ACS), since 1998. He has been a member of the ACS-DLS Executive Board since 2001 and served in the following offices: Secretary, Treasurer, and Public Relations Chair. Anthony is a member of other professional organizations. He actively presents at conferences for the American Chemical Society, National Science Teachers Association, Michigan Science Teachers Association, Metropolitan Detroit Science Teachers Association, and is also a member at large of the Michigan Science Education Leaders Association.

## 2012 Ballot

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| Secretary:                         | <input type="checkbox"/> | Karrie Manes     |
| Treasurer:                         | <input type="checkbox"/> | Denise Grimsley  |
| Councilor (choose 1):              | <input type="checkbox"/> | Walter Siegl     |
|                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | Anthony Sky      |
| Alternate Councilor<br>(choose 1): | <input type="checkbox"/> | Mary Kay Heidtke |
|                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | Steven Scribner  |
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### **Local Student Earns Silver Medal at the International Chemistry Olympiad**

**Sidharth Chand**, a rising senior at Detroit Country Day School in Beverly Hills, earned a silver medal at the International Chemistry Olympiad (IChO). He was one of four students selected to represent the United States at the IChO. His three teammates also earned high scores, with two receiving silver medals and one earning a gold medal. At the IChO Sid scored in the top one quarter of more than 270 of the best high school chemistry students from around the world.

The U.S. students competed with teams from more than 70 countries, July 21-30, at the University of Maryland, College Park. This marks only the second time ever that the event has been held in the United States. During these ten days of exams, laboratory work, athletics and sightseeing, the students had a chance to compete at the highest levels and establish networks that go beyond cultures and borders.

Sid's teacher at DCDS is Julia Winter. He identifies her as "the best chemistry teacher in the world" and credits her for stimulating his interest in science and for introducing him to IChO.

The Chemistry Olympiad program is organized locally by Dr. Mark DeCamp, Detroit Section Olympiad Coordinator, with the assistance of the Section's Education Committee. Generous financial support of the Olympiad program by General Motors R & D is gratefully acknowledged.

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Most people think that turkey goes great with cranberries, but what about kiwis and oysters? What makes two different foods work together? The answer could lie in the chemistry. Join Bernard Lahousse as he explains that pairing foods that share common basic flavor profiles on a molecular level can lead to some interesting combinations. He will share the results of his research which aims to inspire chefs to create new taste combinations influenced by scientific research.

Speaker: Bernard Lahousse, Sense for Taste

## **Annoying: The Science of What Bugs Us**

Thursday, November 29, 2012 | 2pm-3pm EST

Fingernails on chalkboards, slurped soup, open mouthed chewing. Everyone is annoyed by something but why? Join Joe Palca (science correspondent for NPR) as he shares some information from his book “Annoying: The Science of What Bugs Us.” He will explore the science behind our hatred of soup slurpers and loud talkers. Come learn about the things that annoy us in the most pleasing way possible.

Speaker: Joe Palca, NPR and author of Annoying: The Science of What Bugs Us

## **Rational Design of Safer Chemicals**

Thursday, December 6, 2012 | 2pm-3pm EST

Green Chemistry involves more than reduce, reuse & recycle, it can mean using better designed products that are less toxic and more sustainable.

Speaker: Julie Zimmerman, Yale University

## **Chemistry & the Economy Year-end Review**

Thursday, December 13, 2012 | 2pm-3pm EST

Why should a chemist or a business executive be concerned: Lack of jobs? Inflation? Uncertain tax future? All of the above? “It’s the ‘big picture’ issues that we need to watch these days.” Our dynamic duo is back to discuss the issues and trends affecting you in 2013.

Speakers: Paul Hodges, International eChem and William Carroll, Occidental Chemical Corporation and Indiana University

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**AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY 244<sup>th</sup> ACS NATIONAL MEETING  
PHILADELPHIA, PA, AUGUST 19-23, 2012**

The following is a summary of key actions and discussions of the ACS Council and Board of Directors at the 2012 fall national meeting.

**ACTIONS OF THE COUNCIL**

**Election Results: Candidates for President-Elect and Board of Directors**

The candidates for the fall 2012 ACS national election were announced as follows:

**Candidates for President-Elect, 2013**

Dr. Thomas J. Barton, Distinguished Professor, Iowa State University, Ames, IA

Dr. Luis A. Echegoyen, Robert A. Welch Professor, University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, TX

**Candidates for Directors-at-Large, 2013-2015**

Ms. Carol A. Duane, President, D&D Consultants of Mentor, Mentor, OH

Ms. Valerie J. Kuck, Retired, Lucent Technologies (Bell Labs), Murray Hill, NJ

Ms. Helen (Bonnie) A. Lawlor, Executive Director, National Federation of Advanced Information Services (NFAIS), Philadelphia, PA

Dr. Ingrid Montes, Professor, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus, San Juan, PR

**Petitions**

*(For Action)* The Council received two amendments (petitions) to the ACS Constitution and Bylaws for action: The Petition on Candidate Comment in C&EN and the Petition on International Chemical Sciences Chapters Funds. The Council VOTED not to approve the Petition on Candidate Comment in C&EN which sought to restrict candidates for election to the Board of Directors from publishing comments in C&EN from May through the balloting period. The Council also VOTED not to approve (64% to 36% via clicker vote) the Petition on International Chemical Sciences Chapters Funds. This petition sought to clarify that the Board of Directors may grant funds to international chapters for specific purposes.

*(For Consideration)* The Council also received one amendment (petition) to the ACS Constitution and Bylaws for consideration (not action): Petition to Amend National Election Procedures. The Petition to Amend National Election Procedures seeks to shorten the campaign period for candidates for President-Elect and to charge the Committee on Nominations and Elections (N&E) with proposing two candidates for President-Elect. Currently, N&E proposes four *nominees* from which Council selects two *candidates*. Under the petition, Council would no longer vote on a list of nominees. The process of petition

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candidates would not change. The Petition to Amend National Election Procedures will be on the Council agenda for action at the 2013 spring meeting.

### **Committee Review**

As part of a regular performance review, the Council VOTED to continue the Joint Board-Council Committees on Chemists with Disabilities and on Professional Training. Continuation of these two committees also requires Board of Directors concurrence.

### **New Committee Supported**

The Council VOTED to establish a Joint Board-Council Committee on Senior Chemists whose mission is to enrich the educational, technical, and cultural lives of the ACS Membership by ministering to and employing the talents of senior ACS members by: sharing with ACS members of all ages a rich variety of personal experiences and expertise gained over many years of professional service; fostering interest and participation in the science of chemistry through community outreach, especially in grades K-12; acting as science advisors/ambassadors for the purpose of cultural exchange at home and abroad; providing senior ACS members with challenging, diverse, and enjoyable professional experiences that enable them to contribute to the cultural experiences of their communities; and recommending policies that address issues of interest to senior chemists. The committee is aimed primarily at members over 60 years of age. Next, the Board of Directors must vote on whether to establish the committee.

### **Meeting Registration Report**

As of close of business August 22, 2012, the ACS fall national meeting had attracted 13,320 registrants, including 7,817 regular attendees and 3,177 students.

### **Membership Activity**

One of the Society's long-time concerns has been the decline in the number of domestic Regular Members, that is, members paying full dues. The impact of this decline has been offset, as we have reached record membership levels, by increases in the number of international Regular Members, and the 2009 addition of Student Member Undergraduates. While the number of regular domestic members paying less than full dues has decreased from 33,000 to 29,000 in the last five years, this is still significantly more than the number of student members added.

The Committee on Economic and Professional Affairs (CEPA) has unveiled six new four-hour workshops, as the ACS Career Pathways series. CEPA trained more than 40 volunteer facilitators and the workshops are now available for regional meetings and local sections.

### **Realignment of Electoral Districts**

The Council VOTED 58% to 42% (via clicker vote) to shift two local sections

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in District II (Hampton Roads and Western Maryland) to District III. (The two local sections had agreed to the shift.) The Bylaws mandate rough equality in district populations. The shift meets the specified criteria for redistricting as required by the Bylaws and brings the districts within permissible range. During the discussion, Councilors asked the Committee on Nominations and Elections to conduct a comprehensive review of the optimal alignment of local sections within districts.

### **Special Discussion Item**

A special discussion item was put on the Council agenda for this meeting. ACS President Bassam Shakhshiri presented and moderated a discussion on “What major efforts should ACS pursue to help alleviate water and other global challenges?” Members of the ACS feel a responsibility as scientists and citizens to help address global challenges facing society in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century to help sustain Earth and its people. These challenges include increasing population growth, limited natural resources, malnutrition, disease, climate change, violence and war, and the denial of basic human rights, including the right to benefit from scientific and technological progress. This discussion focused primarily on the crisis of available water suitable for drinking, agriculture and industry. Following the presentation, more than 30 Councilors engaged in a discussion of this global challenge and others and offered numerous suggestions. Councilors are invited to continue discussion of this topic within the ACS Network Councilor Group (<https://communities.acs.org/groups/councilor-group>) at <https://communities.acs.org/message/11677>.

### **Resolution to Honor the Memory of Glenn T. Seaborg in the Centennial Year of His Birth**

The Council passed a resolution to honor the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Glenn T. Seaborg, Chemistry Nobel Laureate and past ACS President.

### **Update on ACS vs. Leadscope Litigation**

The Chair of the Board gave an update on the ACS vs. Leadscope litigation. As of this meeting, there was still no opinion announced by the Ohio Supreme Court on ACS’s appeal in this case, despite the fact that oral arguments were presented nearly a year ago. We have no information on when an opinion might be delivered.

## **ACTIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **The Board’s Committees and Working Groups**

The Board of Directors received reports from its committees on Grants and Awards (G&A), Executive Compensation, and Budget and Finance (B&F); and from its working group on Society Program Portfolio Management.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Grants and Awards, the Board VOTED to approve Society nominations for the Perkin Medal and the National Science Board Public Service Award. The Perkin Medal is the highest honor

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in American industrial chemistry, and the National Science Board Public Service Award honors individuals and groups that have made substantial contributions increasing public understanding of science and engineering in the US.

The Board received a briefing and approved a recommendation from its Committee on Executive Compensation. The compensation of the Society's executive staff receives regular review from the Board.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Budget and Finance (B&F), the Board VOTED to approve an advance member registration fee of \$370 for national meetings held in 2013. The Board also considered program funding requests, and on the recommendation of B&F VOTED to reauthorize funding for inclusion in the 2013 proposed budget the *ACS Science Coaches* program and the *ACS Global Research Experiences, Exchanges, and Training Program (GREET)*.

The Board of Directors considered two other recommendations from the Committee on Budget and Finance and VOTED that an in-depth review of the expectations for the financial goals for National Meetings be performed, and that a financial plan for the long-term viability of the *ACS Presentations on Demand* program (formerly known as Electronic Dissemination of Meeting Content) be developed and shared with B&F at its 2013 spring meeting.

The working group on Society Program Portfolio Management briefed the Board on its activities. The working group is charged with recommending a process for portfolio management of Society programs in the divisions of Membership and Scientific Advancement, Education, the Office of Public Affairs and pilot programs.

### **The Executive Director/CEO Report**

The Executive Director/CEO and her direct reports updated the Board on the following: security threats faced by the Society's information technology systems and the measures in place to protect against them; a recommendation from the 2011 Financial Planning Conference that ACS identify additional revenue sources; and the activities of CAS (Chemical Abstracts Service), the ACS Publications Division, and the Society's General Counsel. The General Counsel report included an update on the ACS vs. Leadscope litigation. As a follow-up to the Publications report, the Board VOTED to approve several journal editor re-appointments.

### **Strategic Assessment of ACS Information Services Divisions**

As a result of the 2011 Financial Planning Conference, the ACS Board of Directors requested that the ACS Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer carry out a strategic assessment of the ACS Information Services Divisions. As a practical matter, these studies have been conducted approximately every three years to ensure that our information services divisions, CAS and ACS Publications are fulfilling ACS's strategic goals. The study was conducted over a period of nine months, with the ACS Board of Directors and the Gov-

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erning Board for Publishing discussing the study at key milestones along the way. The study affirmed the robust operating performance of CAS and ACS Publications, from both mission and financial viewpoints. It commended the increasing collaboration between the divisions and their global presence, and identified areas of synergy where additional opportunities for innovation and growth should be explore.

### **Presidential Symposia at Philadelphia**

ACS President Bassam Z. Shakhshiri hosted several well attended symposia under the presidential theme, “Advancing Chemistry and Communicating Chemistry”: a plenary lecture on “Chemistry and Climate Change” delivered by Nobel Laureate Mario Molina; the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of National Chemistry Week; “Communicating Controversial Science” honoring Rudy Baum on the occasion of his retirement as Editor-in-Chief of C&EN; and “150 Years of Chemistry at Land Grant Institutions: The Past as a Prelude to the Future,” honoring the sesquicentennial of the Morrill Land Grant Act.

### **Other Society Business**

The Board also:

- o received reports from the Presidential Succession on their current and planned activities for the remainder of 2012 and 2013;
- o approved the appointment of Dr. Jerauld Skotnicki as the Coordinating Editor, ACS Presentations on Demand; and
- o welcomed and received reports from international guests representing the Canadian Society for Chemistry, the German Chemical Society, the Chemical Society of Japan, and the Royal Society of Chemistry.

The Board held a well-attended open session which featured a special forum titled “What are the ‘real world’ ethics issues faced by students and practitioners of chemistry?” Members attending this standing-room only session offered personal observations about ethical issues they have observed or been challenged by and possible options to address them.

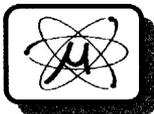
In order to increase the available time for abstract submission for the ACS National Meetings, the Committee on Meetings and Expositions will be studying the feasibility of eliminating the print version on-site program books with a target of the 2013 fall national meeting in Indianapolis.

The 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of National Chemistry Week will be celebrated October 21-27 with the theme, “Nanotechnology – The Smallest BIG Idea in Science!” All local sections are encouraged to participate in NCW and plan an event that will recognize their coordinators.

The 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Chemists Celebrate Earth Day will be celebrated in 2013. All local sections are encouraged to participate.

*Respectfully Submitted by Mark Benvenuto, Jim Landis and Walter Siegl, Councilors:*

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**Second Tuesday of the Month:** Section Executive Committee Meets September through May at 7:00 PM. There is be no Executive Committee Meeting in December.

**Third Tuesday of Every Month:** Brewing Chemistry. Please see <http://brewingchemistry.com> and page 4 for details on November's event.

**November 17:** Section Meeting; *Tour of the Parade Company Studio*, see page 1 for details

**February 27, 2013** Section Meeting, *Global Climate Change*, see January 2013 Chemist for Details



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