American Chemical Society 258th ACS National Meeting San Diego, California August 25-29, 2019

The following is a summary of events from the Fall 2019 council meeting:

Actions of the Council

Election: Elected Committees of Council

Council Policy Committee: (CPC) Anne M. Gaffney, Lydia E. M. Hines, Will E. Lynch, and Sally B. Peters for three-year terms (2020-2022), and Dee Ann Casteel for a one-year term (2020

Committee on Nominations and Elections (N&E): Michelle V. Buchannan, Charles E. Cannon, Alan A. Hazari, Amber S. Hinkle, and Thomas H. Lane for three-year terms (2020-2022)

Committee on Committees (ConC): Lisa M. Balbes, D. Richard Cobb, Emilio X. Esposito, Jason E. Ritchie, and Stephanie J. Watson for three-year terms (2020-2022).

Other Council Actions

Continuation of Committees

Council approved the continuation of the Committees on International Activities and Professional Training, contingent on approval by the Board of Directors.

Establishment of an International Chemical Sciences Chapter

Council approved the creation of an ACS International Chemical Sciences Chapter in the Republic of Georgia, contingent on approval by the Board of Directors.

Resolutions

The Council passed several resolutions in memory of deceased Councilors and in recognition and Gratitude for the officers and members of the San Diego Local Section - host Section for the 258th National Meeting, the divisional program chairs and symposium organizers, and ACS staff for the planning and execution of the meeting.

Highlights from Committee Reports

Nominations and Elections

The Committee on Nominations and Elections solicits Councilors' input of qualified individuals for President-Elect and/or Directors for future consideration. Suggestions can be sent to nomelect@acs.org.

Ballots for the 2019 fall national election will be distributed starting on September 30th, with a voting deadline four weeks later on October 25th. N&E encourages all ACS members to vote for President-Elect and the Constitutional Amendment. Election information may be viewed at acs.org/elections.

Budget and Finance

The Society's 2019 financial performance through July 31st yielded a Net from Operations of \$30.1 million. This is \$10 million favorable to the Approved Budget, and \$1.7 million less than the same period in 2018. Total revenues are right on budget at \$338 million. Total expenses are \$308 million, which is \$10 million favorable to budget.

The Board subsequently approved funding for

the ChemIDP and the International Student Chapters Programs in the 2020 Proposed Budget.

the *Green and Sustainable Chemistry Education Resources* pilot for inclusion in the 2020 Proposed Budget.

The Society is expected to end the year in compliance with each of the five Board-established financial guidelines. Additional information can be found at www.acs.org, at the bottom of the page, click 'About ACS', then 'Financial'.

San Diego Meeting Attendance As of Tuesday evening, August 27, attendance was:

Attendees 7,488
Students 3,095
Exhibitors 995
Expo only 430
Guest 401
Total 12,409

Actions of the Board of Directors

The Board received and discussed reports from its committees on Budget and Finance, Professional and Member Relations, Strategic Planning, Executive Compensation, and Pensions and Investments, as well as the ACS Governing Board for Publishing, the Task Force on the Future of Meetings, and the Society Programs Globalization Board liaison. In particular,

The Board voted to approve the Society's nominees for the 2020 National Science Board Public Service Award and the 2020 Tang Prize in Biopharmaceutical Science.

On the recommendation of the Joint Board-Council Committee on Publications and an Editor Selection Committee, the Board voted to approve the appointment and reappointment of editors-in-chief for ACS

journals. Their names will be announced once they have been notified and practical arrangements for their service to ACS have been finalized.

On the recommendation of the Society Committee on Budget and Finance, the Board voted to set the advance member registration fee for national meetings held in 2020 at \$505 – this amount is equal to the 2019 fee, adjusted for inflation – and to approve or reauthorize several program funding requests.

Executive Director and CEO Report

The Executive Director/CEO and his direct reports provided updates to the Board on the activities of Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) and the ACS Publications Division. He offered updates on issues relating to the ACS Core Value of Diversity, Inclusion, and Respect; the current status of Society membership; ACS financials; initiatives associated with the International Year of Periodic Table; and upcoming events and activities. As part of his report, he invited the Executive Vice President for Scientific Advancement to lead an informal discussion on key issues for that division.

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Respectfully Reported,

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