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2022 EDUCATION NIGHT

The annual Education Night Banquet was held on Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at the Fairdale Banquet Center in Amherst. Recognized at the awards ceremony were high scorers in the regional Chemistry Olympiad, award winning chemistry and biochemistry majors from local colleges, and Outstanding High School Teacher of the year. This banquet recognized 2020 winner, Jean Gallo, of Lockport High School and 2022 winner, Chris Mekelburg, from St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute.

ISOCs-29 CONFERENCE, GUELPH, ON

The organizers of the 29th International Symposium on the Organic Chemistry of Sulfur invite ACS members to contribute to, and attend the Conference July 17-22, 2022 in Guelph Ontario, Canada.

The submission deadline is fast approaching for participation in this conference, that is just 2 hours travel time from Buffalo. See the brochure on page 2 for the list of participants.

Information and abstract submission materials are at <https://www.isocs-29.com/>.

ACS COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

March 23, 2022 (Virtual)

Election Results

Candidates for President-Elect, 2023

▪ The Committee on Nominations and Elections presented to the Council the following nominees for President-Elect, 2023: Frank Blum, Mary Carroll, Rigoberto Hernandez, and Ingrid Montes. By electronic ballot, the Council selected Marry Carroll and Rigoberto Hernandez as candidates for 2023 President-Elect. These two candidates, along with any candidates selected via petitions, will stand for election in the Fall

Candidates for District II and IV

▪ The Committee on Nominations and Elections announced the results of the election held prior to the virtual Council meeting, to select candidates from the list of nominees for Directors from District II and District IV, on the Board of Directors for the term 2023-2025. By internet ballot, the Councilors from these districts selected

Kimberly Agnew-Heard and Marcy Towns as District II candidates; and Christopher J. Bannochie and Lisa Houston as District IV candidates. Ballots will be distributed to members residing in District II and District IV around October 1, 2022.

Candidates for Director-at-Large

▪ The Committee on Nominations and Elections announced the selection of the following candidates for Directors-at-Large for 2023-2025 terms: Milagros (Milly) Delgado, Malika Jeffries-El, Will E. Lynch and Ellene Tratras Contis. The election of two Directors-at-Large from among these four candidates and any selected via petition will be conducted in the fall. Ballots will be distributed to all Councilors around Oct. 1, 2022.

Council Actions

Committee on Committee Actions

• The Council approved the Petition to Amend the Duties of the Committee on Chemists with Disabilities.

This petition sought to change the language in the duties of CWD from students to persons to be more inclusive to ACS members of all levels and backgrounds participating in the Society's meetings and events. The Council approved the continuation of the Committee on Chemists with Disabilities.

The Committee on Committee reviews each Society Committee no less often than every five years and advises the Board of Directors and Council whether they should be continued. ConC completed the performance review for the Committee on Chemists with Disabilities and recommended its continuation.

Committee on Budget & Finance Petition

• The Council approved the Petition to Amend the Use of Dues.

The petition has two major components. The first changes the basis for developing the total pool of allotments available for local sections and technical divisions. The second eliminates the connection between dues revenue and C&EN.

The total resource pool available for distribution to Local Sections and Divisions will be funded via a quasi-endowment established from the Society's unrestricted investment balances. This replaces the previous pool that was funded through the allocation of 20% of dues revenue to local sections and divisions.

Committee on Divisional Activities Action

- The Council approved a division name change.

Effective January 1, 2023, the Division of Carbohydrate Chemistry (CARB) will change its name to the Division of Carbohydrate Chemistry & Chemical Glycobiology (CARB).

Committee on International Activities Petition

- The Council approved a Petition to Charter an International Chemical Sciences Chapter.

This petition, contingent on approval by the ACS Board of Directors, allows for a new International Chemical Sciences Chapter in Switzerland.

Highlights from Committee Reports**Budget and Finance**

In 2021, ACS generated a net of nearly \$79 million, which was almost \$48 million higher than budgeted. Total revenues were \$660 million, which was 5.2% or \$32.6 million over budget. Expenses for the year were \$581 million, or 2.5% below budget. These results were attributed to strong revenue performance from the Society's Information Services units (CAS and ACS Publications), reduced spending due to COVID-19, and careful management of expenses across the ACS.

The Society's overall financial position strengthened considerably in 2021 as Unrestricted Net Assets, or reserves, increased by \$123 million to \$676 million on December 31. The increase was primarily the result of the \$79 million net from operations and growth of the Society's investments totaling \$71 million.

Nominations and Elections

The Committee on Nominations and Elections solicits Councilors' input regarding qualified individuals

for President-Elect and/or Directors for future consideration. They may be sent to nomelect@acs.org.

Committee on Committees

All Councilors were reminded to complete their online committee preference form for 2023 committee assignments. The preference form will be open to all ACS members and no one will be required to request permission to gain access to the form. The new form will allow users to review each committee by its main focus, along with the skills and expertise needed to serve.

The committee preference form will open mid-April at <https://www.cmte.acs.org>. Users will also be able to submit a skills assessment which will be used when considering which committees may best suit their talent.

Final Registration Numbers

It appears that attendance is starting to return to pre-pandemic numbers. For this spring meeting, the total number of registrants was 12,566 (as of March 18). This was broken down as follows, in-person registrants, 9282 and virtual registrants, 3284. The atmosphere felt safe as each of us was required to wear masks at all indoor events and submit a daily health status report. So if you are still up in the air about attending the fall meeting, rest assured that proper attention to safety is being enforced.

ACS Fall Meeting

The fall ACS meeting, to be held in Chicago, IL from August 21-25, will once again be a hybrid meeting.

Questions? Please contact me at

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29th International Symposium on the Organic Chemistry of Sulfur
ISOCs-29 University of Guelph CANADA July 17-22, 2022



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Vice Chairs: Prof. France-Isabelle Auzanneau, University of Guelph Prof. James Gault, University of Windsor
 Prof. Jakob Magolan, McMaster University Prof. Derek Schipper, University of Waterloo

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PLENARY SPEAKERS

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 Prof. Kei Goto, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan
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 Prof. Emanuela Licandro, University of Milan, Italy
 Prof. Derek Pratt, University of Ottawa, Canada
 Prof. Samir Zard, École Polytechnique Paris, France

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