

HIST Executive Committee Meeting, April 7, 2013
New Orleans Downtown Marriott at the Convention Center

Attending: Vera Mainz, Ned Heindel, Seth Rasmussen, Gary Patterson, Roger Egolf, Mary Virginia Orna, Tom Strom, Carmen Giunta, Janan Hayes

Guests:

The meeting started at 5:15pm.

AGENDA

- 1) **Welcome, announcements, and Report**, Ned Heindel
 - a. As an interim action the HIST Executive Committee by an e-vote approved a request from Don Hicks for a \$500 grant to organize a HIST symposium at SERMACS 2013. SERMACS 2013 will be held from 12-17 November 2013 in the Loews Atlanta Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia.
 - b. A concept draft for a HIST symposium at the 2015 Pacific Chem Meeting (Hawaii) entitled "Evolution of the Chemical Communities in the Countries of the Pacific Rim" has been provisionally submitted. In accord with ACS guidelines for the meeting, international co-organizers from other nations of the Pacific Rim – Canada, Japan, New Zealand, and Australia – have been recruited. HIST Chair-Elect, Patterson, and Program Chair, Rasmussen, will be responsible for organizing and chairing the symposium.
 - c. As a representative of the division Ned was appointed to serve on a Task Force of the ACS Board of Directors (through the Board Committee on Public Affairs and Public Relations) to advise on the use of historic designations by the New York ACS Section. The PA&PR committee had expressed concern that public confusion could arise if local sections were allowed to run programs similar to the national one. The Task Force concluded that local sections should be allowed to make historic designations but there was disagreement about whether the word "landmark" could be utilized. The PA&PR Committee has indicated it will seek the advice of its standing Sub-Committee on National Historic Chemical Landmarks.

- 2) **Secretary-Treasurer's Report**, Vera Mainz
 - a. Minutes of the August 19, 2012, Executive Committee meeting were approved via email September 14, 2012.
 - b. The work of the HIST Award Jury Committee has been completed for the 2013 award, which will be awarded to William Newman of Indiana University at Bloomington, at the Indianapolis ACS National meeting in September 2013. The award will consist of \$1500 for the award and up to \$1000 travel funds. An e-vote of the Committee has allocated the \$1500 contribution from Vera Mainz and Greg Girolami to HIST for 2013 to other speaker travel expenses for the award symposium. There will also be \$500 from HIST available for the symposium, most likely to be used for speaker registrations.

- c. In terms of reporting, the HIST funds in the Vanguard Funds are all allocated to the HIST Award Endowment Fund. I added \$1445 in January 2013 (\$1295 to bring the previous funds to \$30,000, plus an additional \$150 donation received for the award). The return is running about \$450/quarter. Joe Lambert told me he would be making the second donation after he filed his taxes.
- d. In a general way HIST is doing well. There is \$79,486.74 of unobligated funds as of March 27, 2013.
- e. As all today, HIST has received donations totaling \$840 made in Jim Bohning's memory. We should discuss how we want to use these funds. Through both Ned and my efforts, Lehigh University is now subscribing to the Bulletin, so we do not have to keep them for that contingency. Mary Virginia made a motion that these funds be used to support archival research for HIST. The was seconded and passed unanimously.
- f. The election went well in fall 2012, with our first official on-line election via the surveymonkey.com website. The cost was \$204 to get a subscription which allows greater than 100 people to vote. (There is no cost for fewer than 100 votes.) Two hundred ten members voted (mostly on-line).
- g. As per the Exec. Comm. direction at the last Exec. Comm. meeting, complimentary one-year memberships in HIST were offered to those non-members who presented papers at the Philadelphia meeting, Fall 2012. Of the 12 invited, four accepted the invitation.
- h. A vote taken via email on March 28-29, 2013, unanimously approved Don Hick's request for \$500 for support of a HIST symposium at SERMACS 2013. This request will be funded via the See and Be Seen program, promoting HIST programming at regional ACS meetings.
- i. Treasurer's Report. Also see attached Quicken summary of income/expense for 2013 to date. The Treasurer's Report for 2012 is posted on the HIST website, as is the Administration Report for 2012.
- j. Vera recommended no change in the dues structure for HIST for 2014. Regular member - \$20, affiliate, \$25, + \$10 for outside the US. Motion to approve and seconded, passed unanimously.
- k. Mary Virginia suggested we use unallocated funds to support membership ACS and a membership in HIST for Pope Francis. Vera said she would try to set this up.
- l. Library Subscriptions for the Bulletin are going to continue as \$40 for US and raise to \$50 for outside North America. Motion made and passed unanimously.

TOTAL OBLIGATED FUNDS as of 3/27/2013

Citations	\$	3,312.84
Archives IPGA	\$	2,345.82
StopGap Funding	\$	3,800.00
Citations Travel	\$	4,428.16
MVO Nat Inv IPGA	\$	991.15
Past Pres IPGA	\$	3,698.86
Study Tour IPGA	\$	1,182.66
SERMACS IPGA	\$	2,222.30
HIST Award (2009 + 2010 contributions + Dividends)	\$	4,834.08
12th Archaeological Symposium	\$	6,000.00
WRM Fall 2011 IPGA	\$	274.39
James J. Bohning Memorial Fund	\$	740.00
Fontina Book Fund	\$	10,922.86
	\$	44,753.12

Vanguard Fund - HIST Match (added \$1295 HIST + \$150 donation)	\$	30,150.50
Vanguard Fund - Lambert 2012	\$	10,000.00
	\$	40,150.50

BANK BALANCE as of 2/28/2013	\$	120,554.66
Total checks not cleared	\$	(6,508.70)
Deposits not cleared	\$	10,193.90
TOTAL AVAILABLE	\$	124,239.86

TOTAL UNOBLIGATED FUNDS as of 3/27/2013

\$ 79,486.74

3) Report from Program Chair, Seth Rasmussen

- a. See attached report on current and future symposia.
- b. Seth reported that we are doing pretty well for the for upcoming symposia. One question was a HIST tutorial symposium at Indy on the theme Chemistry in Motion. It was suggested that a talk on the history of kinetics would be appropriate. Carmen Giunta agreed to give this tutorial.
- c. For Indy, the HIST Award symposium for Newman will be on Sunday afternoon, so the banquet will be on Sunday evening. That means we need to move the Exec. Comm. meeting. After discussion, it was agreed to move it to Monday night, with the proviso that we finish before 8pm for SciMix. We also need to schedule for a Business meeting for Indy.
- d. One thing that came up with respect to the HIST Award symposium was that Sy Mauskopf (nominator of the winner) didn't realize he needed to put the symposium together. Seth requested that more concrete guidelines be in place for the next HIST Award. Vera noted that Jim Bohning used to handle many of these issues. This time, Joe Lambert (chair of the jury committee) emailed Ned with

the winner and then left town. Usually the chair of the jury committee handled all the notifications, organized the symposium, etc. So Vera has been taking over much of that burden. We need to add to the nomination material that if you are considering nominating, note that if your person wins there is some more work, such as organizing the symposium, etc. Seth said he would put together language for this.

- e. For banquet, we agreed to try for \$40 a person and let people pay for their own alcohol. Local section can provide help and Gary said he would find a place for dinner. Gary noted that we'll have the award symposium and the mass spec symposium presenters attending, so we should plan for 40-50 people. The meal should start at 6:30pm.
- f. PACS replacement. PACS Advisory Board is now disbanded. Seth is on the Abstracts System Replacement Group. They have eliminated 1 of 4 options. Seth favors Scholar One system, but it is expensive. That is still in process.
- g. Seth reported that we now have over 100 followers on our facebook page which allows us to reach over 45,000 folks. SHAC now has a facebook page, too, and posts every day. Seth has crosslinked the HIST and SHAC pages.
- h. PacificChem 2015- Seth reported that the proposal has been submitted and is in process.

4) **Report from Councilors**, Mary Virginia Orna and Roger Egolf

- a. See the attached report.
- b. Mary Virginia is coming to end of her term on CPC. She asked for advice on what committee assignment to seek next. She also told us she would not be at the Indy meeting so we need to make sure an alternate councilor will be there.
- c. Roger reported from DAC that 141 symposia suggestions have been turned in from ACS for PacificChem. He also noted that many recommended bylaws changes are coming out from the Bylaws committee. We will not have to act on them soon, but they will require HIST bylaw revisions.

5) **Report from Chair-Elect**, Gary Patterson

- a. Gary's first task for the year was to attend the ACS Leadership Institute in Dallas. He thanked the Exec. Committee for the support of the HIST Division, both financially and by collaborating on the Extraordinary Leader surveys. His goal for 2013, based on concepts developed at this event, is to reach out to other related organizations. He was able to start this process at the Institute by discussing relationships and joint symposia with the leaders of Physical, Rubber, Chemical Information and Poly. He will continue at both New Orleans and Indianapolis to network with other Divisions of the ACS. Gary will also reach out to organizations like SHAC. A joint event with SHAC is planned for November 2013. He will network with the European Society for the History of Chemistry. And he will re-establish closer ties with the Chemistry subdivision of the History of Science Society. While Gary does not have the responsibilities of the Chairman, he will use his freedom to advance the Division. He noted that in the past HIST has had a much closer relationship with CHED. Mary Virginia said

that CHED focus is currently on research in chemical education, but there may be points of overlap.

- b. Planning for Pacifichem 2015 is proceeding. Gary will join this effort and make sure at least one session materializes.
- c. One of the most pleasant parts of a leadership role is the promotion of recognition for members of the Division. As in 2012, Gary will nominate one person for the HIST Award each year through 2018. If we have several outstanding candidates each year (as we did in 2012), the HIST Award will grow in prestige and everyone will look forward eagerly to the yearly Prize Symposium.
- d. Gary will work closely with Tom Strom and Ned Heindel to cement and promote both continuity and improvement.
- e. Gary will join the process of identifying people who are willing and able to contribute to the future of HIST. He will recruit new members from both inside and outside the ACS.(Even though they must be called Affiliates.) He will promote HIST as a valuable organization, both within the ACS, and to the worldwide community of historians of chemistry.

6) **Report from Past Chair, Tom Strom**

- a. Since the HIST spring newsletter came out, there has been a name change and a change of emphasis on the physical organic chemistry symposium Jeff Seeman and Tom are planning for the Dallas meeting. Jeff pointed out that 2013 will see the awarding of the 50th James Flack Norris Award in Physical Organic Chemistry. Consequently, the decision was made to tie the symposium more closely to that award. The new title will be "Fifty Years of the James Flack Norris Award. The Foundations of Physical Organic Chemistry." The point is that the winners of this award have provided and are continuing to provide those foundations. The first two winners of the award were, respectively, Christopher Ingold and Louis Hammett. Jeff and Tom are planning on having a few talks on deceased winners of the award, among them Ingold and Hammett, plus talks by living past winners of the award. For the latter the focus will be on the older winners, since we may not have those people around for many more years. They still hope to have a few contributed papers as well. ORGN will be a cosponsor of that symposium, and Tom has also asked the ACS Northeastern section to cosponsor the award. Their chair Liming Shao thought there was no reason for them not to accept. Their Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for April 4. Tom has asked them to provide a presenter on the history of the Norris award and a history of Norris himself. Jack Roberts has a history of Norris available on the Internet, but a local speaker could probably round up a lot more material.
- b. Ned has asked Tom to put together the jury committee for the HIST award and for the Outstanding Paper (Bulletin) award. Tom had appointed a replacement member for the best paper award earlier - Jan generously offered to serve in that group. We are still lacking one judge for the HIST award. I hope to have that appointment made by the end of April. See discussion under 8a).

7) **Report from the HIST Awards Subcommittee, Janan Hayes - not here at this time.**
Mary Virginia distributed Jan's written report.

- a. HIST Award Jury Committee for 2014 award - The Chair needs to name a new person to the committee so that the nomination material can be sent out. Tony Travis (term expires 2013), Joe Lambert (chair 2013, term expires 2014), Jim Marshall (term expires 2015) served for the 2013 jury. The chair would normally rotate down, as is happening with Joe Lambert. The new person would serve for a term of 2013-2016. It was suggested to add Bill Newman. Tom said he would check with Jim Marshall and see if he is willing to serve as chair for 2014. If Jim says yes, then he can give Vera any changes in the posted nomination material.
- b. Outstanding Paper Award. Gary gave up update on the status of the award. The 2011 committee consists of Gary (chair), Janan, and Joe Jeffers (Gary had some trouble getting email contact with Joe). 2011 Award was given to Bill Jensen. The 2012 award needs to be awarded, and that would be the job of the new committee. All members need to be appointed as all the current members are finished with their work. John Sharkey, Tom Strom and Dave Lewis were suggested as possible members. The Chair needs to appoint these members. One a 1 year appointment (David, who will also serve as chair), one a 2 year appointment, one a 3 year appointment.
- c. CCB Award- Vera reported income and expenses are fairly stable.
- d. SERMACS Regional request already acted upon and accepted, see 1a), above.
- e. Jan made a motion to request \$500 in funding for a history-related symposium at WRM 2013. The motion was seconded and accepted unanimously.

8) **Report from Archivist, John Sharkey**

- a. John's report is in the current Newsletter.
- b. Gary said John is doing a spectacular job as archivist and has finished the finding aid.

9) **Report from Bulletin Editor, Carmen Giunta**

- a. Carmen noted that the Fall 2012 issue, **37(2)** was late and will be coming out early in 2013.
- b. The Spring 2013 issue, **38(1)** is not yet complete, but it is taking shape. It will be less late than **37(1)**, with expected distribution around the end of May. It will contain at least 6 articles and 6 book reviews, as well as a short report on a CCB awards ceremony and an introduction to an occasional feature on CCB awardees.
- c. The Fall 2013 issue, **38(2)** is shaping up well, and it is not anticipated that it will be late. It will largely be devoted to papers from the Fall 2012 Land Grant symposium. Stephen Weininger proposed publishing most of the papers from the symposium he organized on that subject, and all of the relevant papers from that symposium have been submitted and are under review. Carmen also received a relevant paper unsolicited from one of the presenters from Roger's symposium on that topic. Roger was asked to encourage other presenter's at his symposium to submit a paper for inclusion in the volume.
- d. Submissions continue to come in at a sustainable rate, without significant solicitations on Carmen's part.
- e. Carmen will continue to ask speakers at HIST symposia to submit papers.

10) Report from Historian, Gary Patterson

- a. One of the ongoing projects of the current historian is to document the contributions of the Chairmen of the HIST Division. This year the focus is on Lyman Newell of Boston University, the first Chairman after the group officially became a Division in 1927. Newell had served as Secretary during the probationary period. A formal talk will be presented at the New Orleans ACS Meeting and the written version will be published in the Bulletin. Gary visited the Lyman Newell Collection at Boston University. It is a treasure trove of historical material: signed letters, pictures, and HIST and ChemEd documents.
- b. As Historian, Gary compiled the biographical statement for this year's HIST Award winner, William Newman of the University of Indiana.
- c. Gary will spend significant time in the CHF Archives this year learning what is there. He will collaborate with John Sharkey.
- d. If the proposed biography project is adopted, Gary suspects the Historian will be expected to do some of the work.

11) Report from the Alternate Councilors, Art Greenberg and Joe Jeffers

NO REPORT.

12) OLD BUSINESS: Report on "Tracking Down the Lost Elements: The Shadow Side of Discovery," Mary Virginia Orna

- a. Mary Virginia gave a progress report. Prior to the meeting she had sent a 10 page book proposal which included tables of contents and prefaces to the six sections. The book is currently in a 17 x 24 cm format and runs about 555 pages without indices and without images. Images and the indices may add approximately 45 pages. It might be advisable to split into two volumes and that may depend upon the publisher's recommendation. The authors do have permissions for many of the images and are working on the remainder. The only color image planned is a hand colored (by Mary Virginia) periodic table.
- b. Suggestions regarding publication, sponsorships and marketing: HIST could actually sponsor a publisher to take on the publication via the greater than \$10K being held by HIST. Mary Virginia will be talking to appropriate people in the publishers via the Exposition and getting contact information. Mary Virginia would like to have the book available free of charge for HIST members (as long as supplies last) if HIST members cover the shipping (approximated to \$5). Vera mentioned that she has set up an independent press and gave approximate costs for a 6 x 9 inch format book. Vera also discussed that individuals can post their own e-books to relevant websites such as amazon.com and barnesandnoble.com.
- c. The suggestion was made for a Symposium at book launch, probably the San Fran meeting in spring 2014, and looking for some big names, such as Emsley, and Oliver Sacks (member of Bolton Society). She has already got Eric Scerri lined up. Marco Fonatani and Mary Virginia would also present.
- d. Mary Virginia gave permission to apply for an IPG in early 2014 for the maximum amount (\$7500). The motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously. HIST is limited to sponsoring two IPG's and the max would leave less for the second proposal.

13) NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Gary has been working on a Moseley symposium for 2014, including John Heilbron as a speaker. John is also chairing the Newman award symposium. Gary made a motion asking for \$1500 HIST support to support Heilbron's travel. The motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.
- b. ACS Board Standing Committee on Public Affairs and Public Relations (PA&PR) and NHCL Committee guidelines. See discussion in 1c), above.
- c. Divisional Reportcard and Attendance Report contain what seems to be a very narrow set of criteria. A question came up as to why ACS staff are collecting the data. Roger was asked to bring the criteria up to DAC. Gary said he could bring this up at the Division chair meeting. Vera said she would send both spreadsheets to all members of the Exec. Comm.
- d. Vera presented a proposal to ask HIST members to write obituaries for ACS members and post on HIST website. ACS member services sent Vera an email asking about HIST getting oral histories from ACS members who served in WWII. Vera forwarded the request to Ron Brashear at CHF, as they do have and acquire oral histories at CHF. Ron said this was not something they would get involved with, but mentioned that the History Division of the American Astronomical Society would put together obits for their members. Vera suggested that a standard obituary format could be put together and members then asked to help put them together. They could be posted on-line, or put in newsletter, etc. One problem is that it is really hard for ACS to track members who die. Carmen suggested ask not only for news of those who have passed but also ask for volunteers to help write them. Vera should draw up a set of guidelines for the obituaries and will work with Gary to improve them. Mary Virginia said we should check the ACS Councilor bio forms. This would be an opportunity for those who don't come to meetings to get involved.
- e. Ned presented Tom with a division past chair pin and thanked him for his service as Chair of HIST.

The meeting ended at 6:30pm.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Quicken Summary, 2013 Income/Expense

Appendix 2: HIST Symposia Summary

Appendix 3: Councilors' Report

2012 Itemized Categories Report - YTD

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Date	Acco...	Num	Description	Memo	Tag	Clr	Amount
INCOME							11,268.03
Allocation ACS							10,157.90
Other Allocation ACS							10,157.90
3/7/2013	CMA...	DEP	ACS/EFT Remitta...2013 Division Allotment				10,157.90
Bulletin - Lib							652.00
1/4/2013	CMA...	DEP	Swets - Ck#0225... 2013 Univ of Denver			R	40.00
1/4/2013	CMA...	DEP	Swets - Ck#0222... Swets #35651795			R	40.00
1/16/2013	CMA...	DEP	... EBSCO - Ck#173... 2013 Univ Minnesota			R	40.00
			2013 C. S. I.			R	44.00
1/16/2013	CMA...	DEP	Swets - Ck#0229... 2013 Swets 88564886			R	40.00
1/30/2013	CMA...	DEP	EBSCO - Ck#17... 2013 Univ. Okla			R	40.00
1/30/2013	CMA...	DEP	EBSCO - Ck#17... 2013 Univ New Hampshire			R	40.00
1/30/2013	CMA...	DEP	EBSCO - Ck#17... 2013 NTNU Univ Trondheim			R	44.00
1/30/2013	CMA...	DEP	Swets - Ck#0233...2013 Wellcome Library			R	44.00
1/30/2013	CMA...	DEP	Univ Of Cincinnati...2012 and 2013			R	76.00
2/4/2013	CMA...	DEP	... EBSCO - Ck#176... 2013 Univ. Chicago			R	40.00
			2013 Isti. Museo Firenze			R	44.00
2/20/2013	CMA...	DEP	Lehigh University ...2013			R	40.00
2/20/2013	CMA...	DEP	Swets - Ck#0235... 2013 Instituto Historia Vale...			R	44.00
3/27/2013	CMA...	DEP	Oberlin College - ... 2013 Oberlin				36.00
Dividend							431.15
HIST Award							431.15
1/4/2013	CMA...	DEP	Vanguard Welling...			R	431.15
Dues Income							25.00
Direct from Members							25.00
1/30/2013	CMA...	DEP	Emily Calabrese/...			R	25.00
Int Inc							1.98
1/31/2013	CMA...	DEP	Interest			R	1.05
2/28/2013	CMA...	DEP	Interest			R	0.93
EXPENSES							-12,378.51
Award							-867.50
WRM F2011							-867.50
2/4/2013	CMA...	1998	Southern Californi...Invoice 932			R	-867.50
Award-Non-Meeting							-108.70
Archive IPGA							-108.70
3/11/2013	CMA...	2001	John B. Sharkey travel expenses				-108.70
Brochure							-309.68
1/18/2013	CMA...	1996	FedEx Kinkos 1000 copies			R	-309.68
Bulletin							-7,834.89
1/3/2013	CMA...	1992	Agnes Soderbeck No. 37(2)			R	-920.00
2/20/2013	CMA...	2000	... Carmen Giunta v37(2) Mailing envelopes			R	-882.50
						R	-32.39
3/11/2013	CMA...	2003	Le Moyne College Bulletin expenses				-6,000.00
Division Admin							-1,108.20
Other Division Admin							-1,108.20
2/4/2013	CMA...	1997	Gary Patterson 2013 Leadership Conference			R	-313.20
2/12/2013	CMA...	1999	Daniel E. Holder ... 2012 Tax Prep Form 990			R	-395.00
3/11/2013	CMA...	2002	ACS/Invoice 1593...Gary Patterson registration ...				-400.00
Election							-204.00

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1/18/2013	CMA...	1995 ...	Vera Mainz	2012 SurveyMonkey subscr...		R	-204.00
Invest Exp							-150.00
1/4/2013	CMA...	EFT	WCMA Annual Fee	Annual fee		R	-150.00
Office							-90.39
1/18/2013	CMA...	1995 ...	Vera Mainz	Office Depot		R	-42.40
				Bob Slate Stationer		R	-11.76
				Staples		R	-23.78
				Walmart		R	-12.45
Postage							-260.15
1/18/2013	CMA...	1995 ...	Vera Mainz	general letters		R	-32.13
				separates		R	-36.50
				Vanguard fund setup		R	-79.30
				2012 Election		R	-26.75
				VVM archives to CHF		R	-85.47
Vanguard Investment							-1,445.00
Other Vanguard Investment							-1,445.00
1/17/2013	CMA...	1993	Vanguard	Wellington Fund - 1/2 donat...		R	-722.50
1/17/2013	CMA...	1994	Vanguard	Wellesley Fund - 1/2 donati...		R	-722.50
OVERALL TOTAL							-1,110.48

FUTURE HIST SYMPOSIA

Meeting Dates	Site	HIST symposia	HIST cosponsored symposia and Notes
April 7-11, 2013	New Orleans	(1) <i>Mary L. Good: Her Legacy in Science, Policy and Service</i> (Jan Hayes, Marge Cavanaugh) [Sun PM] (2) <i>12th Archaeological Chemistry Symposium</i> (Ruth Ann Armitage, James Burton) [Mon AM/PM ; Tue AM/PM]	Note: HIST tutorial - Seth [Chemistry of Energy & Food]
September 8-12, 2013	Indianapolis	(1) <i>HIST Award Symposium Honoring William R. Newman</i> (Sy Mauskopf and Seth Rasmussen) [Sun PM] (2) <i>What's Your Number: A Centennial Remembrance of Henry Moseley</i> (Gary Patterson) [Mon AM] (3) <i>Historical Origins of Mass Spectrometry</i> (Gary Patterson, Mike Grayson) [co-sponsor: Am Soc Mass Spec, Bolton Society] [Mon PM] (4) <i>Helen Free: Science and Legacy of a unique Past ACS President</i> (Jan) [half day?]	Note: Topic/Speaker for HIST tutorial? [Chemistry in Motion]
March 16-20, 2014	Dallas	(1) <i>History of Chemistry in North Texas</i> (Tom Strom, Manny Reinecke) [co-sponsor: DFW local ACS Section] [Full day?] (2) <i>Fifty Years of the James Flack Norris Award. The Foundations of Physical Organic Chemistry</i> (Tom Strom and Jeff Seeman) [co-sponsor: ORGN, Northeastern ACS Section] [Full day]	Note: Topic/Speaker for HIST tutorial? [Chemistry of Energy: Advanced Materials for New Opportunities]
August 10-14, 2014	San Francisco	(1) <i>HIST Award</i> [Tues pm??] (2) <i>Found and Lost: Incredible Tales of Spurious, Erroneous and Rehabilitated Elements</i> (Mary Virginia Orna, Marco Fontani) (3) <i>Recent Studies in the History of Modern Organic Chemistry</i> (Jeff Seeman) [Sun PM or Mon] (4) <i>Science and Legacy of Attila Pavlath</i> (Jan) [half day?]	Note: Topic/Speaker for HIST tutorial? [Chemistry and Stewardship of the World]
March 22-26, 2015	Denver		
August 16-20, 2015	Boston	(1) <i>HIST Award</i> [Tues pm??] (2) <i>Science and Legacy of Henry Hill</i> (part of the Henry Hill centennial program) (Jan) [half day?]	
Future		(1) <i>Undergraduate Symposium in the History of Chemistry*</i> (Rasmussen) [1/2 day?][co-sponsor: CHED?] (2) <i>Graduate Education in Science History*</i> (Rasmussen) [1/2 day?][co-sponsor: CHED?]	* idea stage

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ACTIONS OF THE COUNCIL

Election Results

- The Committee on Nominations and Elections presented to the Council the following nominees for selection as candidates for President-Elect, 2014: G. Bryan Balazs, Charles E. Kolb, Jr., Carolyn Ribes, and Diane Grob Schmidt. By electronic ballot, the Council selected G. Bryan Balazs and Charles E. Kolb, Jr. as candidates for 2014 President-Elect. These two candidates, along with any candidates selected via petitions, will stand for election in the Fall National Election.
- The Committee on Nominations and Elections announced the results of the election to select *candidates* from the list of *nominees* to serve as Directors from District II and District IV on the Board of Directors for the term 2014-2016. Nominees for District II included George M. Bodner, Jed F. Fisher, Alan A. Hazari, and Robert A. Pribush. Nominees for District IV included John P. Fackler, Jr., Rigoberto Hernandez, Larry K. Krannich, and John A. Whittle. By mail ballot, the Councilors from these districts selected George M. Bodner and Alan A. Hazari as District II candidates; and Rigoberto Hernandez and Larry K. Krannich as District IV candidates. Ballots will be mailed on or before October 10 to all ACS members in District II and District IV for election of a Director from each District.

Candidates for Directors-at-Large

- The Committee on Nominations and Elections announced the selection of the following candidates for Directors-at-Large for a 2014-2016 term: Susan B. Butts, Thom H. Dunning, Jr., Dorothy J. Phillips, and Kathleen M. Schulz. The election of two Directors-at-Large from among those candidates and any selected via petition will be conducted in the fall. Ballots will be mailed to the Council on or before October 10.

Committee Election

- Two vacancies on the Committee on Committees were created by the election of Ingrid Montes to the ACS Board of Directors and the appointment of H.N. Cheng as chair of the Committee on International Activities. Prior to the New Orleans meeting, the Committee on Nominations and Elections presented to the Council the following slate of candidates for membership on the Committee on Committees beginning 2013: Christopher J. Bannochie, Arindam Bose, David Lohse and Jason Ritchie. Christopher J. Bannochie and Jason Ritchie were selected to fill three-year and one-year terms, respectively.

Committee Review

- As part of a regular performance review, the Council VOTED unanimously to continue the Committees on Chemical Abstracts Service, Environmental Improvement, and Younger Chemists. Continuation of these three committees requires Board concurrence.

Re-alignment of Electoral Districts

- At the 2012 fall meeting, Councilors called for a broader and long-lasting solution to requirements that Board electoral districts have parity in member populations. At this meeting, the Committee on Nominations and Elections reported on their discussions of a revised redistricting proposal which brings all six election districts within 400-1,000 members of the mid-point of the permissible range. This proposed action is designed to eliminate the need for frequent small changes for some time to come. The proposal will be up for vote at the fall Council meeting in Indianapolis.

Society Finances

- Despite the sluggish economy, ACS generated favorable operating results in 2012. Total revenue was \$490.7 million, which was \$6.1 million or 1.3% greater than the approved budget, and 3.9% higher than 2011. The Net from Operations was \$20.2 million, or \$4.3 million favorable to budget. This was largely attributable to better-than-expected performance by ACS Publications and CAS, and represents the Society's 9th consecutive year of positive operating results. While operating performance was favorable, Unrestricted Net Assets declined \$1.4 million to \$100.6 million. Finally, ACS ended the year in compliance with four of the five Board-established financial guidelines.

2014 Member Dues

- The Council VOTED to set the member dues for 2014 at the fully escalated rate of \$154. This rate is established pursuant to an inflation-adjustment formula in the ACS Constitution and Bylaws.

Petition to Amend the Constitution and Bylaws

(For Action)

- After discussion, a vote to approve the Petition to Amend National Election Procedures FAILED (85% against, 15% in favor). The petition sought 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. In collaboration with the Committee on Nominations and Elections, the Council Policy Committee authorized a joint task force on election timelines and procedures. This task force will examine the entire election system.

Member Statistics

- Society membership at the end of 2012 was 163,322 - 893 lower than the total for year-end 2011 despite recruiting 24,943 new members. The net loss occurred primarily in the Regular,

full member category. There was continued growth in both the Student Member undergraduate and international categories, which helped mitigate the overall decline in membership. The Membership Affairs Committee approved five pilot market data tests to increase membership.

Attendance Report

- As of April 11, 2013, the ACS spring national meeting had attracted 15,596 registrants, including 8,105 regular attendees and 5,793 students. The meeting had 11,232 papers presented.

Academic Professional Guidelines

- The Council VOTED to approve the Academic Professional Guidelines as submitted by the Committee on Economic and Professional Affairs. These guidelines apply to those members of the academic community whose job function impacts directly or indirectly on scientists practicing the profession of chemistry.

Local Section Allotment Formula

- The Council VOTED to approve a new formula for the distribution of allocations to individual Local Sections beginning in 2014. The new allocation will be divided as follows: base allotment (49%); per member allotment (43%), and LSAC program funds (8%).

Divisional Activities Name Change Request

- The Divisional Activities Committee (DAC) received a request from the Division of Colloid and Surface Chemistry to change its name to the Division of Colloids, Surfaces and Nanomaterials. Six divisions have registered opposition to the proposed name, largely due to the use of the term 'nanomaterials'. DAC will ask Council to vote on the new name in Indianapolis, with a recommendation to approve.

Revision to Charter Bylaws for the International Chemical Sciences Chapters

- The Council VOTED to approve changes to the Charter Bylaws for New International Chemical Sciences Chapters. These changes will guide the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws in reviewing bylaw changes before proposed changes are approved by the membership of the new chapter.

New International Chemical Sciences Chapter

- The Council VOTED, in concurrence with the Board of Directors, to approve the petition to charter the Romanian International Chemical Sciences Chapter, consisting of the Territory of Romania.

Special Discussion Item

- A special discussion item was put on the Council agenda for this meeting. ACS President Marinda Li Wu presented and moderated a discussion on "What else should ACS do to help members to thrive in the global chemistry enterprise?" ACS has established a strategic goal to

“Empower an inclusive community of members with networks, opportunities, resources, and skills to thrive in the global economy.” In support of this goal, President Wu commissioned a task force entitled, “Vision 2025: Helping ACS Members Thrive in the Global Chemistry Enterprise,” to identify globalization opportunities and engage members in advocacy for improving the business and job climate. Following the presentation, 29 Councilors engaged in a robust discussion on what the Society currently offers or could offer to help members thrive in the global chemistry community.

The Executive Director/CEO Report

- The Executive Director/CEO and her direct reports updated the Board on the following: highlights of accomplishments from 2012; the major challenges and projects facing the Society in 2013; and the activities of CAS (Chemical Abstracts Service), the ACS Publications Division, and the Society’s General Counsel. As part of the Publications report, the Board VOTED to approve journal editor re-appointments and an appointment to the ACS Governing Board for Publishing.

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- **HIST COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES**

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- Mary Virginia Orna continues in the third year of her second three-year term as a member of the Council Policy Committee (CPC). She is also a member of CPC’s Long-Range Planning Subcommittee and CPC’s Subcommittee on Constitution and Bylaws. She has also participated in the planning and implementation of the New Councilor Mentor Program and the 2013 New Councilor Orientation Program which took place at this meeting. This year marks the completion of her 18th year as a member of one of the three elected committees of the Council; she is ineligible for re-election to CPC.

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- Roger Egolf

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- Respectfully submitted,

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- Mary Virginia Orna

- Roger Egolf

- April, 2013

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