

A Governing Board Report to the Society

April 25, 1965

The first of two Governing Board meetings held at the Houston convention was called to order at 1:20 PM with all of the Governing Board members present. Several guests were invited to appear at 3:30 to report on various Society functions on which no Board action was required. The purpose of this first Board meeting was to receive and accept reports from the standing committees of the Society. Accordingly, President Stillman reported on the activities of the Executive Committee since the last Governing Board meeting, specifically pointing out the need for additional funds for the publishing of papers. This of course means that the short courses and the conventions must not only be self-supporting from the standpoint of the meeting itself, but must realize some money toward the publication of papers. The Executive Committee also has gone on record by recommending that no further funds be allocated to student programs until the Society's budget is balanced. It also went on record by agreeing unanimously that the policy of paying honorariums to speakers at conventions and short courses be stringently avoided except under very rare circumstances.

The Vice-President presented formal reports on the membership status of the Society, and on the assignment to prepare scopes for the various officers and committees of the Society. The membership report will be published separately and the work on the Society scopes will be completed during the coming year.

The Secretary reported on the time and places for future conventions. The Board decided to accept the invitation of the Northern California Section to hold the 1969 spring meeting in San Francisco. Action on the fall 1969 convention was deferred. The spring 1970 convention will be held in New Orleans, the fall 1970 convention in Chicago, the Chicago convention will be combined with the meeting of the International Society for Fats if tentative arrangements to do so do not fail.

The Treasurer reported on the financial state of the Society. Since this report was also given at the general session on Monday, it will undoubtedly be published as a separate item. It was agreed that a revised budget would be submitted at the second Governing Board meeting on Wednesday, April 28th.

The Executive Secretary reported on the business of the Chicago office. The Board took action to increase the working capital of the Society as requested by the Executive Secretary. Action was taken on tax sheltered annuities for the Chicago office personnel. This action is as follows:

WHEREAS the Executive Secretary has requested the American Oil Chemists' Society to participate in a plan to purchase for its employees annuity contracts (under the provision of Section 403 of the Internal Revenue Code), and

WHEREAS under the proposed plan, the said employees may agree to take a reduction in salaries payable under existing contracts with the amount of such reductions being paid by the Society for the purchase of annuity contracts, and

WHEREAS it appears that recent amendments to the Internal Revenue Code now provide that premiums paid by this Society toward annuities for its employees are not taxed as income to the employees if the premiums do not exceed a liberal exclusion allowance, and

WHEREAS it appears advisable for the best interest of the present and future employees of the Society to participate in the plan, and to agree with any employee who chooses to have his or her salary reduced to apply the amount of such reduction to purchase annuity contracts for the employees:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the American Oil Chemists' Society will participate in such Tax-Sheltered Annuity Plan and the Executive Secretary is hereby authorized to take such steps as may be necessary to put

such a plan into execution, including entering into agreements with the employees to amend their existing salaries as heretofore set forth, and making application for annuities to be purchased for those employees who decide to participate.

The Board agreed to appoint a committee to consider increasing the fidelity bond coverage of the Chicago office personnel.

The Executive Secretary discussed the possibility of adding lifetime memberships. No action was taken by the Board. The Executive Secretary discussed the unauthorized use of the Society's name, initials or symbol. After some discussion, the following resolution was adopted:

Frequently the American Oil Chemists' Society and/or its Official and Tentative Methods will designate specifications or design characteristics for materials, instruments, devices or other products which are necessary to the proper application of the related methodology. These specifications are not to be confused with any form of approval or endorsement of products which are manufactured in compliance therewith.

The use of this Society's name, initials, symbol or similar designation on or in conjunction with any material, instrument, device or other product in such a manner as to imply approval or endorsement by this Society is prohibited.

Such is not to be interpreted as prohibiting a manufacturer from indicating, either on his product or in related literature, that his product is designed to comply with specifications set forth by the American Oil Chemists' Society and/or its Official and Tentative Methods. It is recommended that the specific method or methods be cited in this regard.

The Governing Board moved to refer to the Uniform Methods Committee recommendations already on record for increasing the price of bleaching earth furnished to refiners by the Society. It was also moved to appoint some one to review the policies and prices of all official suppliers to the Society.

The Board passed the proposal that any request for financial support for AOCS functions be referred to the President for approval. This was specifically intended to prevent direct solicitations of funds in the name of the Society for unauthorized activities and to prevent the solicitation of funds for authorized activities without the knowledge of the officers of the Society.

The Governing Board adopted the proposal that:

The Society contribute \$9.50 per member annually to the Journal for each (JAOC) subscription distributed to the membership. The purpose of this action was to properly apportion the funds of the Society between the Society and the Journal accounts.

The report of the Executive Secretary was accepted by the Board.

Mr. A. V. Graci of Chicago presented a final report on the Chicago convention in the fall of 1964. Mr. Graci and his committee were thanked by the Board on behalf of the Society.

Mr. G. W. Kreutzer reported on the initial work of the Houston Committee and welcomed the various members of the Society to Houston.

The Chairman of the Examination Board presented a formal report concerning the activities of the Examination Board during the past year.

The current Bond Award Committee Chairman presented a brief report on that committee's activities:

He advised that his committee was emphasizing two important factors in the annual administration of the

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award. First, they are striving to improve communications; to make more people cognizant of the award and its purpose and to build the stature of the award. Second, through revision of judging forms and more attention to the judges, the Committee is working to improve the judging activities.

There was no report at this time by the Uniform Methods Committee.

Mr. W. J. Miller presented a report for the Smalley Committee for 1964-65. Since this report was given in detail at the Awards Luncheon, it will not be elaborated upon here.

Dr. A. R. Baldwin presented a report of the Journal Committee.

He advised the Governing Board that the Journal has continued to apply the Board-approved policy that accepted papers be published at the earliest possible moment. No effort has been made to "spread" papers into issues of predetermined size. The Journal has extended itself to practical mechanical limitations when necessary to care for the traffic of approved papers. He further advised that the Journal will continue to operate in this manner so long as the Governing Board continues to find this policy acceptable.

Dr. Baldwin reported that a more detailed report would be given at the second Governing Board meeting following his committee meeting on Tuesday.

Mr. R. W. Bates presented a report on the Emeritus Membership Committee. He reported that three members had been accepted as Emeritus Members during 1964-65. They are, M. R. Lauro, J. B. Brown and L. A. Spielman. The Board confirmed the recommendation of the committee on all three Emeritus Memberships.

Dr. C. G. Goebel presented a report on tentative plans for the Cincinnati meeting in the fall of 1965.

Mr. A. F. Kapecki presented a brief report of the Convention Policy Committee. As a result of this short report, action was taken by the Board to establish a Ways and Means Committee whose duties it will be to study additional ways in which the Society can supplement its revenue.

Dr. W. O. Lundberg presented a report of the Nominations and Election Committee. This report was given in detail at the general meeting on Monday, April 26th.

Dr. A. R. Baldwin presented a report on the AOCS Award in Lipid Chemistry Committee. Results of this committee were given at the general meeting on April 26th and will not be discussed here. As a result of some of the discussion, however, that took place in Houston, it was agreed that the new President would appoint an Awards Committee to study the overall award situation of the Society.

Dr. W. O. Lundberg presented a report on rules changes for the Lipid Chemistry Award. These changes were:

- Members of the Nominating Committee (hereafter to be called the Award Nomination Canvassing Committee) cannot themselves submit nominating documents.
- If a person serving on the Committee is nominated, the AOCS President can appoint a substitute to serve in his place for that particular award year.
- Revision of voting procedures to eliminate time-consuming rebalotting.

The Board accepted the recommended changes.

Mr. N. H. Kuhrt presented a report of the Education Committee. Mr. Kuhrt reported that the summer short course originally scheduled at Michigan State University would not be held this year, but would be postponed until 1966, but the present plans include a 1965 short course at Pomona College. Included in Mr. Kuhrt's report was a report by Dr. S. S. Chang on the MacGee Honored Student Program. Dr. Chang emphasized the current expansion of the program and the increased interest of both faculty and students.

Dr. Raymond Reiser reported on the International Rela-

tions Committee and the National Program and Planning Committee.

Dr. Reiser discussed the current effort to establish Corresponding Secretaries in principal foreign countries. He called upon Mr. Hauber for current status of the project. Mr. Hauber advised that the plan is moving slowly. One Corresponding Secretary (Helmut Korp, Sweden) has begun to contribute to the Journal, and it is hoped this list can be expanded soon. Every effort will be made to gain cooperation of key people in foreign countries to act as Corresponding Secretaries.

Dr. Reiser read a letter from a group in Monterrey, Mexico, with whom he has worked for several months. The letter requested official recognition of a Monterrey, Mexico Section of the AOCS. He informed the Board that the group had conformed to the requirements set forth in Article XIV of the AOCS By-Laws, and recommended authorization of the Section.

It was moved and seconded that the application of the Mexican Section be approved and the matter referred to the Local Section Liaison Committee to insure its successful start. The motion was passed unanimously by the Board membership.

The Board adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

April 28, 1965

This, the first meeting of the new Governing Board, is concerned with committee appointments, and business carried over from the April 25th meeting.

When acceptances to the committee appointments are received, a resume will be published in the Journal.

A very important business item was passage of the revised 1965 budget, following considerable discussion. Henceforth the Executive Committee will meet with the Executive Secretary immediately following the availability of year end fiscal data to establish a realistic control budget.

An important reappointment was made when C. H. Hauber was named Executive Secretary. His effective operation of the Chicago office and as Managing Editor of the Journal has improved the flow of business and has increased the status of the Society.

A review of future meeting places and chairmen other than those already decided provided the following information:

Time	Place	Chairman
Fall 1966	New Orleans	R. T. O'Connor
Spring 1967	Chicago	A. V. Graci
Spring 1969	San Francisco	T. H. Applewhite
Fall 1969	Minneapolis	D. H. Wheeler
	(decided following Board meeting)	
Spring 1970	New Orleans
Fall 1970	Chicago

Several new committees were named whose importance to the Society are apparent:

- Meeting Exhibits
- Ways and Means
- Society Awards
- Fidelity Bonding (ad hoc)
- Meetings Study (ad hoc)

The results of the discussion of the Society's Future Committee was reported by Chairman A. R. Baldwin. Based upon their findings the Board took the following action:

- Authorized the formation of a feasibility and implementation study of a new journal for lipid publication, the Executive Committee to act upon their recommendations.
- Investigate apparent need for longer meetings (Meetings Study Committee).
- Biological analytical methods to be published as a new section of the Society Official and Tentative Methods.
- Formation of a committee to form liaison with the IUPAC and develop a system of lipid nomenclature.

With these significant findings, the committee was discharged with a vote of commendation.