



# A Governing Board Report to the Society

Meeting of October 10, 1965



THE GOVERNING BOARD meeting held at the Cincinnati convention was called to order at 1:20 pm with all members of the Governing Board present except A. F. Kapecki, who had been seriously injured in a fall several weeks before the meeting. A number of committee chairmen were present to submit reports to the board.

President Harris called the Governing Board's attention to the minutes of the July 21, 1965, Executive Committee Meeting which had been previously distributed by mail. In reviewing the actions of the Executive Committee he pointed out that the committee had approved publication of the new journal *Lipids* with publication in January, 1966, in accord with the authority given the committee by the Governing Board. Other specific recommendations of the Executive Committee were considered elsewhere on the agenda as noted below.

The Executive Secretary was called upon to present his Interim Report to the Board. During his summary of the major items reported, the following matters were questioned by the members of the board:

Mr. Stillman questioned the advisability of delaying the scheduled price changes which the Governing Board had previously voted for AOCS Official Bleaching Earth. It was explained that the office wanted to straighten out an apparent purchasing error by one of our customers before the price changes were put into effect. (This was subsequently cared for after the meeting and the price changes became effective on Nov. 1, 1965.)

Dr. Reiser questioned the arrangement whereby AOCS members were to be given the option of subscribing to the new journal *Lipids* at additional cost instead of having the option of receiving either *Lipids* or *JAACS* as part of their membership dues. Dr. Baldwin explained that offering members a choice of either journal with their basic dues would create an economically unfeasible situation. The cost of either journal would be much higher than currently priced. It might even approach the currently planned cost of the two together. After considerable discussion, the Board took no action beyond confirming their original decision.

After discussing Mr. Hauber's proposal that responsibility for convention exhibit sales be transferred to the office staff so that exhibits could be solicited on a year-round basis, the Board voted unanimously that the recommendations of the Exhibits Policy Committee on this proposal be referred to the Executive Committee for their consideration and necessary action.

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

C. G. Goebel was called upon to present the report of the 1965 Fall Meeting committee. Dr. Goebel reported that an increase in the net revenue from the meeting was anticipated because of a change in the original plans for refreshments at the Sunday evening mixer to comply with state laws.

The next item under consideration was the proposed 1966 budget. (Messrs. Hoerr and Graci had acted in the capacity of a budget committee to work with the office staff on the preparation of the budget during Mr. Kapecki's hospitalization.) It was pointed out to the convention chairmen present that the Board expects the revenue from conventions to help support the publication costs of papers presented at the meetings and that this item is now included as a source of revenue in the budgets. Attention was also directed to that portion of the Executive Secretary's report which stressed the necessity for all those who work with Society funds to be absolutely sure that they adhere to the budgets.

The Governing Board unanimously accepted the 1966 budgets for the Society, *JAACS*, and *Lipids* as presented.

R. W. Bates reported that the Emeritus Membership Committee had no new candidates for the Governing Board's consideration.

The Secretary reviewed the dates and locations of future meetings. Tentative commitments have now been made for meetings through 1970. The secretary reported that the conflict of our 1968 Spring Meeting with that of the Association of Cereal Chemists has been resolved by rescheduling our Memphis Meeting to the week after. In considering the site for the 1971 Spring Meeting, the President instructed the Secretary to contact the General Chairman of the 1965 Houston Meeting to discuss the possibility of holding the 1971 Spring Meeting in Houston. S. S. Chang suggested the possibility of holding the 1971 Fall Meeting in Atlantic City. The Secretary will pursue this matter further.

A. A. Rodeghier reported that the Convention Policy Committee was reviewing the AOCS Convention Manual with the intent of rewriting and updating it to provide more extensive guidelines for the future convention committees.

The Board unanimously accepted the report of the Convention Policy Committee.

G. M. Kreutzer submitted the final report of the 1965 Spring Meeting in Houston. Mr. Kreutzer suggested that in view of the unprecedented size of the Houston technical program, the Governing Board should consider increasing the length of the meeting to 3½ days and that it might consider shifting the meetings so that they will begin on Wednesday and run through the week. Mr. Kreutzer also suggested that the Board might wish to reconsider the policy of scheduling tours and plant trips during the Spring and Fall Meetings.

President Harris commended Mr. Kreutzer and his committees for the outstanding contribution they made to the success of the AOCS in 1965, observing that the activities of the Houston Spring Meeting should offer a challenge to future convention committees for some time to come.

L. O. Leenerts reported on the preliminary arrangements for the 1966 Spring Meeting in Los Angeles. Several new ideas will be tried at that meeting, including flat rates for both single and double rooms and beverage tickets for the Sunday evening mixer.

The Board unanimously accepted the report of the Los Angeles Committee.

A. N. Wrigley reported that the Convention Committee Chairmen for the 1966 Fall Meeting in Philadelphia have been appointed and that hotel arrangements have been completed at the Bellevue-Stratford. Although space has been planned for only 31 exhibits, every effort will be made to expand these arrangements.

The Board unanimously accepted the report of the Philadelphia Convention Committee.

N. H. Kuhrt was called on for a report of the Education Committee. Copies for a new manual for conducting the AOCS Short Course were distributed to the Board. Mr. Kuhrt recommended that this new manual be approved on an interim basis in order to evaluate its adequacy. The Board unanimously accepted this recommendation.

Mr. Kuhrt called upon S. S. Chang for the report on the MacGee Honored Student Program. Dr. Chang emphasized that this award program has begun to have a real impact on educators in the field of fat chemistry and expressed considerable concern that the Governing Board may decide to discontinue financial support for this pro-

gram. President Harris asked the committee to work closely with the Executive Secretary in an effort to arrange for independent financial support from outside the Society.

The Board unanimously accepted the report of the Education Committee.

Since the Meetings Study Group was to meet later during the week in conjunction with the Exhibits Policy Committee, Dr. Cowan reported that the following agenda would be considered:

The matter of extending the length of our Spring and Fall Meetings; Shifting the meetings from Sunday through Wednesday to running from Wednesday through Saturday;

Elimination of conflict of committee meetings by having the Executive Secretary set up committee meeting schedules; and

Permitting exhibits at Spring Meetings as well as at Fall Meetings.

In presenting the report of the Journal Committee, A. R. Baldwin exhibited a series of charts (raw circulation, adjusted circulation, total pages published, technical pages published, news pages published, technical manuscripts received, production costs, advertising dollar volume, and pages of advertising published), each comparing current activity with that of past years, and depicting an element of growth that has brought the Journal into a state of financial imbalance.

In order to balance our publication budgets, Dr. Baldwin reported that both the Journal Committee and the Executive Committee had recommended that page charges be instituted to help compensate for rising costs of publication.

The Governing Board voted unanimously to institute a charge of \$25 per published page for both *JAOCS* and *Lipids*, effective Jan. 1, 1966.

Dr. Baldwin also reported that the Journal Committee had decided to discontinue publication of the Annual Review of Literature for the year 1966 in order to appraise readership reaction and judge whether this project as a worthy investment of members' time and *JAOCS* money.

The Governing Board voted unanimously to accept the report of the Journal Committee with thanks and expressed appreciation to Dr. Baldwin for the educational manner in which the report was presented.

Dr. Baldwin was called upon for his progress report on the new publication *Lipids*. Samples of the new journal's cover and a brochure designed to announce the new publi-

cation were shown to the Board. Dr. Baldwin briefly reviewed plans for the first issue, indicating that production is on schedule for publication on Jan. 5, 1966, the date decided upon by the Executive Committee.

The review of manuscripts will be much like that used by *JAOCS*, with manuscript traffic being coordinated by the editorial office exactly as it is for *JAOCS*. The associate editors will be chosen by the end of October but a new editor will not be named immediately. (Dr. Baldwin will serve as the editor of *Lipids* with the approval of the Governing Board until a permanent editor has been chosen.)

Dr. Baldwin and the Journal Committee had devoted considerable time to seeking a workable set of standards for defining the specific scope of *Lipids*. It was decided that instead of separating papers on the basis of basic and applied research, papers of industrial or commercial orientation will be put in *JAOCS* and those of more academic or theoretical interest will be put in *Lipids*. During lengthy discussion the Governing Board tested these categories to their satisfaction.

The Board voted unanimously to accept Dr. Baldwin's report.

It was noted although the Executive Committee had recommended that meeting revenue should cover the cost of publication of Technical Program titles and abstracts and that such revenue was included in the budgets which the Board had approved, the Board had not actually voted that this be done.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee that these publication costs be charged against convention revenue.

The Executive Committee had recommended that the Society discontinue financial support of the MacGee Honored Student Program. It was felt that, in view of the difficulties in balancing our budgets in recent years, we could not justify continued use of Society funds for this purpose.

The Board voted unanimously that C. H. Hauber seek outside financial support of \$2000 per year for this program. Regardless of the result of these efforts, financial support up to \$1000 per year is committed from AOC'S operating funds only through the year 1966.

A former member of the Society, Rodolfo J. Vergara, applied for reinstatement of his membership. The Board voted unanimously to reinstate Mr. Vergara.

The Board adjourned at 5:20 pm.

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lowered to 140F (60C). The water bath is removed, the flask wiped dry, vacuum removed, motor stopped, and flask removed by loosening the clamp at the stand, making sure the rubber stopper with the ball joint is secured with a wire hoop against dropping on the agitator. The oil is then filtered, following standard AOC'S procedure, pouring the oil from the flask by the neck that holds the thermometer.

Fish oils are so sensitive to oxygen that the recommended procedure calls for passing nitrogen in the flask after cooling the oil and over the Buchner funnel used for filtering. This can be accomplished by installing a T in the vacuum connection and connecting to an inert gas cylinder after the oil is cooled to the desired temperature.

Should the bleaching committee report favorably on the vacuum bleaching procedure as outlined, there is available recommendations for equipment, drawings and procedures for multiple vacuum bleaching to cover most oils, fats and waxes.

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### 1966 SHORT COURSE ANNOUNCED

The Education Committee, under the chairmanship of N. H. Kuhrt, announces the 1966 Short Course Program will be held at Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan.

With the title "Processing Quality Control of Fats and Oils," this Short Course promises to offer to the fats and oils industry the most recent technological developments and future trends. Registration will be August 28th, with four days of lectures: Aug. 29-Sept. 1, 1966.

Chairman at the host University is LeRoy Dugan, Jr., Associate Professor of the Food Science Department. Acting with him on the Short Course Committee are Mrs. L. S. Crauer, De Laval Separator Co., as co-chairman; L. Going of Procter and Gamble, and W. Q. Braun, Wilson and Co.