

Governing Board

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Meeting in two sessions during the Philadelphia Fall Meeting, the AOCS Governing Board acted on a variety of committee reports and recommendations which are of immediate interest to all AOCS members.

AOCS President R.T. Holman opened the meeting by summarizing activities of the Executive Committee meeting in August. Among the major items the Executive Committee presented for Board information and approval were the following: (A) the AOCS President has scheduled visits to all active local sections during the 1974-75 meeting year; (B) the Executive Committee has established the First World Conference on Oilseed and Vegetable Oil Processing Technology, scheduled for March 1976 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands; (C) in a discussion of policy regarding publication of technical committee reports, the Executive Committee discussed budget concerns and precedence regarding such publications.

The Governing Board subsequently decided to publish in the *Journal* a recently completed report of the Nomenclature Committee.

The Executive Director reported to the Board on various areas of AOCS operations and projects. He noted that, through August, the Society showed a slight excess of income over expenses and cautioned that the Society is beginning to feel the effects of inflation in virtually all operating areas. He told the Board that costs of paper for *JAOCs* and *Lipids* had increased twice during the past 6 months and that the latest increase would total ca. \$1200/year.

On the recommendation of the Executive Director, the Board decided to establish, on a trial basis beginning with the Dallas meeting, a placement service for AOCS members, students, and others attending AOCS national meetings.

The Executive Director also reported that additional space in the AOCS headquarters has been leased, resulting in ca. \$3000/year in revenue.

The Treasurer F.B. White presented the 1975 budget to the Board. As approved, the budget calls for over \$500,000 in projected revenues and a net gain of ca. \$22,000. He also reported that the Finance Committee is engaged in the development of a 5 year projection of income and expenses.

The Board also discussed the bylaw amendment to remove from Article IX all reference to two meetings/year. As a result of the discussion, it was decided that, should the amendment pass, a referendum will be presented to the membership to determine whether the Society will hold one or two national meetings each year. The referendum will be binding on the Governing Board.

In response to a suggestion that the Society might strengthen its base of membership by making it possible for nontechnically trained and oriented members of the industry to vote and hold office in the Society, Holman appointed an ad hoc committee to study the implications of such an easing to voting membership prerequisites. J.G. Endres will chair the committee. F.A. Norris and W.E. Link will serve as committee members.

The Board decided to invite Institute for Fat Research to meeting jointly with AOCS in 1980 at a U.S. site yet to be determined. President Holman was authorized to talk with the Japan Oil Chemists' Society about possible future joint meetings.

The Board heard reports from general chairmen and technical program chairmen for several AOCS national meetings. Reporting were A.N. Wrigley (Philadelphia, 1974), Harold Dupuy (New Orleans, 1976), E. Sallee (Cincinnati, 1975), and T. Smouse (Dallas, 1975).

The Uniform Methods Committee reported to the Board that the Committee is working on procedures whereby significant and legitimate methods of other societies can be included in the *Official and Tentative Methods of the American Oil Chemists' Society*. The committee also is considering the possibility of listing alternate "in house" methods in the book.

The Ways and Means Committee reported initial plans for taking steps to retire the mortgage on the AOCS headquarters building. The committee is to report final plans to the Executive Committee in January 1975.

The AOCS Foundation informed the Board that Vig Babayan and the Executive Director had been instructed to develop an informational brochure to outline the purposes, goals, and projected activities of the Foundation.

The Membership Committee presented for Board approval applications for over 220 new AOCS members. On the recommendation of the committee, Don S. Bolley and Walter Bollens were granted AOCS emeritus membership status.

The Publication Committee reported several editorial staff changes and announced that the second AOCS monograph, a work on the analysis of lipids and lipoproteins edited by E.G. Perkins, is well along in production and should be in print in early 1975.

On the recommendation of the Society Improvement Committee, the Board took three actions: (A) to review the Meetings Manual to stress strongly the need for technical program balance; (B) to establish, beginning in fall 1975, an informal special interest luncheon at national meetings; and (C) to establish in fall 1975, special poster session presentations by speakers at national meetings.

The Education Committee reported on upcoming short courses listing a "Glycolipids" Short Course in Aspen, Colo., and a "Surfactants" Short Course in Hershey, Pa., for 1975. It also was decided to cosponsor a course on "Drugs Affecting Lipid Metabolism" in 1977. The Education Committee is also to prepare a list of individual speakers in specific subject areas for distribution from the Campaign office.

The Meetings Planning Committee recommended, and the Board approved, the following sites for future national meetings, contingent on the results of the member referendum on the frequency of national meetings: San Francisco (Spring 1977), Atlanta (Spring 1978), and St. Louis (Fall 1978).

The Local Sections Committee reported to the Board that several steps were being taken to improve national-local liaisons. Among the activities undertaken by the committee are a study of possible concurrent national-local dues billing; local section honored student programs; the development of a speakers' bureau listing; and joint membership drive efforts. In an effort to keep local sections informed of national activities, it was agreed to provide section officers with summaries of the minutes of Governing Board and Executive Committee meetings. ■