Executive Committee hears committee reports

At its midwinter meeting held in Chicago in January, the AOCS Executive Committee heard several committee reports and discussed a variety of present and planned Society activities.

AOCS Treasurer Frank White informed the committee that the Finance Committee was studying ways to reduce AOCS costs and to generate new and additional sources of revenue. He and the committee spent some time discussing ways to control AOCS meetings' costs and recommended a new slide projection system to provide immediate low cost registration lists at national meetings.

As director of publications, A.R. Baldwin told the group that S. Koritala had replaced Robert Reiners as abstract editor of *JAOCS*. He also discussed the possibility of adding an in-house editor to the headquarters staff who would be given the responsibility for gathering, writing, or otherwise preparing new types of material for publication in the *Journal*. It was noted that such a position is not currently affordable in the AOCS budget but may be considered in the future.

Unit publication of national meeting symposia as a means of attracting additional advertising to JAOCS also was given careful consideration. It was noted that there is some conflict between the desire to increase advertising revenue by this activity and the desire to publish papers as rapidly as possible. The situation is still under consideration.

In a discussion of the AOCS Membership Directory, Executive Director James Lyon was directed to explore the possibility of returning to a city/state geographical reference to replace the area code reference used in the latest edition. Lyon also is considering the addition of a cross-reference of members by company affiliation.

Frank Norris reported on the work of the Nominating and Election Committee. A list of candidates for the 1975-76 term appeared in the February 1975 issue of *JAOCS*.

William Link reported on the Membership Committee activities and informed the Executive Committee that R.R. King, N.T. Joyner, A.G. Thompson, and F. Scofield had applied for and, since they met the qualifications, been granted emeritus membership status.

Lyon distributed a letter from R. Hlavacek regarding the Ways and Means Committee's efforts to develop a fund raising effort. Hlavacek asked for information and support from the Executive Committee and Governing Board in the committee's work.

AOCS President R.T. Holman, who presided over the meeting, reported to the group on his recent trip to Japan during which he discussed with the officers of the Japan Oil Chemists' Society the possibility of a future joint meeting in the U.S. He then reviewed his presidential visits to AOCS local sections, the status of *Lipids*, and committee appointments.

Holman also reported that the National Dairy Council has offered limited financial support for a symposium at the 1975 Fall Meeting in Cincinnati. The committee considered several possible ways to use these funds and the implications this might have on other symposia and on future meetings.

T.H. Applewhite, general chairman of the AOCS sponsored World Conference on Oilseed and Vegetable Oil Processing Technology, appeared before the Executive Committee to discuss the conference program. A more detailed account of the proposed program appears elsewhere in this issue.



