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to review the formulation and labeling of their products and that when refrigeration is needed, both shipping cartons and products should be clearly labeled concerning refrigeration.

The New York Department of Health had announced Feb. 28 that two men and a woman from Kingston, New York, were hospitalized with botulism after eating garlic bread that had been spread with a chopped garlic-and-oil mix. FDA said chopped garlic in oil had been implicated in botulism poisoning

in an incident in 1985 in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

FDA challenges soy food claims

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has challenged Ithaca Soyfoods Co.'s nutrition label claims on Tofu-Kan soybean curd and Tofu Tortellini.

In a regulatory letter sent to the company, the agency said Tofu-

Kan, which was labeled "high protein, low calories," lacked nutrition labeling. Tofu Tortellini, which carried a "low calorie" label declaration, does not comply with government regulations which define "low calorie" as no more than 40 calories per serving and no more than 0.4 calories per gram, FDA said.

The Tofu Tortellini also carried a "lactose free" claim which FDA said was misleading since no soybean curd contains lactose. Details: *Food Chemical News*, March 6, 1989, pp. 26-27.

INSIDE AOCS

Carr is elected AOCS president

Roy A. Carr, president of the POS Pilot Plant Corp., Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, has been elected president of AOCS. He is scheduled to take office during the society's annual meeting May 3-6, 1989, in Cincinnati, Ohio. (See Profile section for more information about the new president.)

Carr was elected vice president of the society a year ago. Under AOCS by-laws, he was unopposed for president on the ballots distributed during January and counted on March 14. Ballots were mailed to 3,702 voting members; 1,084 ballots were returned, 1,074 of which were valid.

David R. Erickson, director of technical services for international marketing for the American Soybean Association, St. Louis, Missouri, was elected vice president. Erickson served as AOCS secretary during 1986-88 and was an AOCS Governing Board member-at-large during 1984-86.

J.C. Endres, director of corporate research projects for Central Soya Co. Inc., Fort Wayne, Indiana, was elected AOCS treasurer. M. Deborah Meiners, food technologist for fats and oils at Best Foods, a division of CPC International, Union, New Jersey, was reelected secretary.



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J.C. Endres



M. Deborah Meiners



Robert G. Ackman



Thomas A. Foglia



Peter J. Wan

Those elected to serve two-year terms as Governing Board members-at-large were Robert G. Ackman, professor in the Department of Food Science and Technology and Canadian Institute of Fisheries Technology, Technical University of Nova Scotia, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada; Thomas A. Foglia, lead scientist for the Biochemistry and Chemistry of Lipids Research Unit, USDA's Eastern Regional Research Center, Philadelphia, Penn-

sylvania; and Peter J. Wan, technology manager for lipid science at Kraft Inc., Glenview, Illinois.

Proxy ballots cast were overwhelmingly in favor of two proposed amendments to the Articles of Incorporation. The two amendment proposals—to change AOCS membership qualifications and to extend the treasurer's term of office—won't be officially acted upon until the business meeting at the AOCS 1989 annual meeting in May.

Executive committee studies dues

In a move to have dues cover more of the operational costs of the society, 1988-89 AOCS President Timothy L. Mounts has asked the AOCS Executive Committee to draw up a dues philosophy. The committee, which received that task at the AOCS Governing Board meeting in February in Chicago, is to report its recommendations to the board at its May meeting in Cincinnati.

The committee has been asked to consider having the subscription portion of dues cover the direct cost

AOCS Deadlines

The following deadlines have been set for various AOCS activities. For more information, contact AOCS, PO Box 3489, Champaign, IL 61826-3489, USA, telephone 217-359-2344.

June 30 — Deadline to enroll in the 1989-1990 Smalley Program.

Aug. 1 — Submission of poster abstracts, in double-spaced format and using no more than 200 words, for the 1989 World Conference, to World Conference Poster Chairman Richard F. Wilson, North Carolina State University, Department of Crop Science, 4114 Williams Hall, Raleigh, NC 27695.

Sept. 1 — Early registration cutoff for the 1989 AOCS world conference on processing to be held in Maastricht, The Netherlands. After this date, prices increase. Also, submission of AOCS officer candidate nominations for the Governing Board for 1990-1991.

Sept. 29 — Early registration cutoff for the AOCS/CSMA Surfactants and Detergents Short Course, to be held Oct. 29-Nov. 1, 1989, in Hershey, PA.

of the production and mailing of AOCS journals, and including administration costs in AOCS operations covered by dues. Another suggestion is to include the amortization of the AOCS headquarters building as an administrative cost.

The society's financial report for 1988, before auditing, showed an operating loss of \$220,950, AOCS Treasurer Robert Burton informed the board at the February meeting. The audit, completed in late February, showed an actual operating loss of \$268,000.

In other action at the February meeting, the board:

- established an Annual Meetings Committee, which will include an appointed chairperson, the general chairperson of the two most recent annual meetings, general chairperson of the current annual meeting and all chairpersons named for future annual meetings.

- ruled all sessions at AOCS annual meetings must be chaired or cochaired by an AOCS member.

- raised the price of the new book of methods to \$300, with \$50 of the price earmarked for funding methods projects.

- set up a fee waiver request procedure for nonmember speakers at AOCS annual meetings.

- approved the formation of a Cincinnati AOCS Section pending receipt of acceptable by-laws and a budget plan.

- discussed possible revisions for the next membership directory. The board voted to eliminate the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws, lists of charter members and past officers, and descriptions of various awards from the directory and to place such information in a membership packet. Committee listings will be modified, but the list of approved chemists and certified laboratories will be retained. Service listings of members will be eliminated, but FAX and Telex numbers will be included. There also will be a geographic index of businesses.

- directed staff to prepare a by-

law stating that the society's president and vice president be nonvoting ex-officio members of all committees except those in which they already have voting power.

- said that if the amendment establishing a two-year term for the treasurer is adopted by members, the AOCS treasurer elected in 1989 will serve a two-year term (1989-1991).

- received a report from Executive Director Jim Lyon, who explained that an office reorganization, resulting from a consultant's report, had reduced the number of managers reporting to him to six, from ten, and that the marketing function is now handled by a staff committee under his chairmanship.

- authorized staff to expedite typesetting of *Lipids* manuscripts.

- approved emeritus member status for the following: Edward L. Griffin Jr., Kenneth A. Scott, Peter P. Noznick, Herbert J. Dutton, Norman O.V. Sonntag, Lester M. Wright, Frank G. Dollear, Ralph T. Holman and James V. Lauro.

Obituary

ANTHONY M. SCHWARTZ

AOCS has been informed of the death of Anthony M. Schwartz, 80, of Rockville, Maryland, on Feb. 17, 1989. He had been a member of AOCS since 1950.

Dr. Schwartz received a B.A. in chemistry from Cornell University in 1928 and earned his doctorate in 1931. He was employed at Harris Research Laboratories in Washington, D.C., when he joined AOCS. Gillette later bought the company and he stayed on, working at the Gillette Research Institute in Rockville, Maryland. Upon his retirement in 1973, he set up his own consulting firm in the area of interface and surface chemistry. He was active as a consultant up to his death.

He is survived by his wife, Jane, of Rockville, Maryland, two daughters and two granddaughters.