

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**  
**Analytical Chemistry Division, Canadian Society for Chemistry**  
**Hamilton Convention Centre, Webster C Room**  
**Monday June 1, 2009 17:20 to 18:20**

Rob McLaren called the meeting to order at 17:20 pm.

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

Agenda was approved (motion K. Waldron, second C. Lucy)

**2. Minutes from Previous Meeting**

The minutes from the previous ACD AGM meeting (Edmonton, May 26, 2008) were distributed and adopted (motion U. Krull, second N. Toltl)

**3. Business arising from minutes:** None.

**4. Report from the Chair (R. McLaren)**

RM acknowledged the hard work put forth by PBM who organized an excellent analytical divisional session at the 2009 CSC meeting in Hamilton. The meeting brought a record attendance of participants (>2070).

RM acknowledged the recipients of this year's major analytical awards: McBryde (HPL Queens), Maxxam (LL U Alberta), Beamish (AC Lakehead), and Harris (HZ U Alberta). Various graduate and undergraduate award winners from the previous year were also acknowledged as published in the newsletter.

RM suggested that the support for student conferences be increased from \$150 to \$250 per conference. U Krull put forth the motion and it was seconded by N Toltl. Motion carried.

RM mentioned that the newsletter went out again this year in the fall (student) and spring (general) assembled by K Thurvide, who would be doing it again in the coming year. He requested that any material for the newsletter please be forwarded to him for potential news items in future issues.

A round of applause was held in honor of K Yeung's family who just had a baby arrive.

**5. Treasurer's Report**

MM distributed and presented the financial report of the ACD for the previous year's activities. He noted that the CSC has been encouraging divisions to uniformly give their business to Scotia Bank. The ACD did so, but the monthly charges were considerably larger than BMO. Since Scotia Bank refused to reduce their charges, MM moved all funds back to BMO and no longer deals with Scotia Bank. This was enthusiastically supported by all. MM indicated that money had been spent on typical items throughout the year. He noted that 4 poster awards were paid out, plus one from the electrochemical society meeting in Edmonton that was a satellite meeting to the CSC. Overall, MM noted that the surplus the division has had in previous years is starting to be spent down a bit at last and that in general the balance looks good. The report was accepted (motion C Lucy, second U Krull).

**6. Analytical Rep for CSC 2009 Hamilton Report (P. Britz-McKibbin)**

PBM noted that a record attendance was recorded at this years meeting. Over 2000 at the time of the meeting. This was notable relative to the last 20 years. PBM noted that 8 major sessions and 1 general

session were organized, which provided 20 sessions overall. 215 abstracts were received (143 oral, 72 poster). PBM thanked the session organizers and chairs for their help and offered 2010 organizers the advice to try and raise money early in the coming year. RM thanked PBM for organizing a successful session for the ACD and the members gave a round of applause for his efforts.

### **7. Analytical Rep for CSC 2010 Toronto Report (MT)**

RM had reiterated what Mike Thompson had earlier indicated at the executive meeting. He said that several topics were tentatively being put forward for the analytical division sessions in Toronto in 2010. While the details are still being worked out, the sessions so far are roughly categorized as:

- Advances in chromatography / industrial analysis
- Biomarker detection
- Analysis of single cells
- Advances in micro-array analysis
- Micro-analysis
- Analysis of biomaterials
- General session

RM noted that he could possibly organize something along the lines of Analytical Atmospheric Chemistry [*post-note: it was noted after the meeting that Osthoff and Murphy were organizing a similar session; such session was deferred to Osthoff*]. MM noted that an electrochemical session was still needed. The organizers are still open to suggestions from any areas.

### **8. Report from the CSC / CIC AGM**

RM noted that the conference had over 2000 attendees this year. B Lennox was named as the new incoming president of the CSC. The previously held ACS/CSC joint membership plan has been terminated. RM said that some lost revenues in membership was noted and that efforts were being put forward to increase recruiting. It was noted that McMaster University is paying their undergraduate's membership fees for them as they graduate. A call was put forth to encourage undergraduate and graduate students to enroll as members of the CIC analytical division and to specify the latter since funding comes from our divisional enrollment as well.

**9. Nominations to the Executive:** No new nominations were put forward.

### **10. Other Business**

R McCreery asked if there had been any noted financial consequences to the CIC society as a result of the falling economy. R McLaren said that no specific concern was expressed at the meeting of the CIC AGM.

C Lucy reported that at the Can. J. Chem. Editorial board meeting it was announced that the NRC press is separating from NRC. All journals are still slated to stay, but the impending changes to come are as yet uncertain in this matter.

The meeting was adjourned (motion M McDermott, second K Waldron)

*Minutes were recorded by the acting secretary Kevin Thurbide, for Ken Yeung.*