

MINUTES OF THE MACTLAC BUSINESS MEETING

HELD AT

ELMHURST COLLEGE: ELMHURST, ILLINOIS

OCTOBER 10-11, 1969

Executive Council Meeting, Friday, October 10, 1969: 10:15 a.m.

Present: W. Deskin (President) G. Hindman (Missouri)  
Donald J. Cook (Indiana) D. Steffenson (Michigan)  
E. Fuller (President Elect) W. Wolsey (Minnesota)  
J. Ganchoff (Illinois) J. Zimmerman (Secretary-Treasurer)  
H. Gates (Wisconsin)

E. Wolthuis, K. Piers and H. Broene (Calvin College - 1970 host)

Order of Business:

1. The minutes of the last Executive Council meeting were read and approved.
2. President Deskin appointed Wayne Wolsey as Chairman of a nominating committee, comprised of the state representatives, to select candidates for President-Elect and Secretary-Treasurer.
3. Plans for next year's meeting at Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan were discussed. The 1970 meeting was set for October 9-10. Enno Wolthuis will act as Program Chairman.
4. Invitations were considered for hosting the 1971 annual meeting. Consideration of the geographical distribution of the immediate past and possible future sites and the sentiment to hold the 1972 meeting at Monmouth College were the two main factors entering into the discussion of a 1971 host institution. St. Olaf College was selected as the site of the 1971 meeting.
5. The Secretary-Treasurer presented a financial report, a copy of which is attached to the minutes.
6. There was a brief discussion of the type of report to be issued for the meeting. By consensus it was agreed to continue the brief summary letter format in lieu of returning to a more rigorous coverage of the various discussion groups.
7. The Secretary-Treasurer outlined the content of a letter from Dr. Arild Miller, Director of the MACTLAC Teacher Placement Service, which described the 1968-69 operation of the Service. Dr. Miller reported he had received 148 applications for the 16 positions he had listed in his placement directory. Dr. Miller indicated a willingness, in spite of the increased work load demanded by the Service, to continue as Placement Director.

There was some question about the usefulness of the Placement Service, but in view of Dr. Miller's willingness to serve as Director, it was decided to keep the service and continue its operation.

8. The Secretary-Treasurer was directed to forward a copy of the revised membership list to those members requesting a copy. The availability of the listing was to be announced in the Elmhurst meeting summary sent to all members in good standing.
9. The Secretary-Treasurer raised the question of membership status of those members whose current place of employment fails to meet the MACTLAC membership requirements. It was taken by consent that any member who joined MACTLAC via an association with a MACTLAC institution should have the option of retaining his membership on becoming employed at a non-eligible institution.

General Business Meeting, Saturday, October 11, 1969.

1. The minutes of last year's meeting were read and approved.
2. The following new state representatives to the Executive Council were appointed by a caucus vote of the members present from their respective states:

Minnesota	-	Richard Werth . . . . .	Concordia
Missouri	-	Rose McNamee . . . . .	Fontbonne
Wisconsin	-	Sister Elizabeth Bruner . .	Alverno

Those state representatives whose terms will expire in 1970 are:

Illinois	-	John Ganschhoff . . . . .	Elmhurst
Indiana	-	Donald J. Cook . . . . .	DePaul
Iowa	-	F. Emmitt Jacob . . . . .	Drake
Michigan	-	Daniel M. Steffenson . . . .	Albion

3. On behalf of the nominating committee, Wayne Wolsey presented the following slate of officers for 1969-70:

President	-	Edward Fuller . . . . .	Seloit
President-Elect	-	Richard Beyer . . . . .	Carroll
Secretary-Treasurer	-	John F. Zimmerman . . . . .	Wabash

4. The assembly stood in a moment of silent tribute in honor of the memory of Ben Petersen, a MACTLAC Honorary Life Member. A memorial statement is attached to these minutes.
5. Dr. Deskin informed the group that Edward Haenisch, another Honorary Life Member, was recuperating from surgery and that he would appreciate hearing from his many MACTLAC friends. President Fuller was directed to write Ed a letter conveying MACTLAC's wishes for a speedy recovery.

6. Dr. Jack Coutts presented a report for the committee appointed to study possible action MACTLAC could undertake in response to the diminished governmental support of the Undergraduate Research Participation program. Response to a questionnaire dealing with URP participation in MACTLAC institutions was reported to be too sparse to be of value. Dr. Coutts expressed the belief that the most effective response was for individual institutions to personally expose their Congressmen to the problem.
7. A round of applause was offered in appreciation for the excellent meeting accommodations arranged by Rudolph Frieppke and his staff.

Executive Council Meeting: Saturday noon, October 11, 1969.

1. Wayne Wolsey expressed the sentiment that the nominations committee chairman should be appointed before the annual meeting in order to provide more time to consult with prospective nominees. President Fuller nominated Donald J. Cook as chairman of the 1970 nominations committee. The Secretary-Treasurer was directed to inform the membership that nominations were being solicited prior to the annual meeting.
2. The Secretary-Treasurer was directed to look into the possibility of establishing a permanent record of MACTLAC minutes and other MACTLAC items of historical interest.
3. Considerable time was spent discussing President Fuller's question, "What changes, if any, should be made in MACTLAC to better meet the needs of its members?" There was a consensus that the annual meeting continued effectively to meet the founders' purpose of bringing Midwestern liberal arts college chemistry teachers together for a mutually beneficial sharing of ideas.

Two concrete suggestions for further consideration grew out of the discussion. First, it was suggested that the annual MACTLAC meeting could provide a format for a "short course" exposure to some "new topic" of interest to the college chemistry teacher.

The second suggestion was that we draw on the expertise of those MACTLAC members who have experience in reviewing grant proposals to form a corps of volunteers to aid members submitting proposals, particularly departmental proposals, for the first time. A volunteer would be available to review a proposal and to make suggestions for changes he felt were necessary for the proposal to meet the granting agency requirements. The goal of such a service would be to help insure that a proposal could stand on its merit and not be turned down because of an oversight on a technicality of format, content, style, etc.

John F. Zimmerman  
Secretary-Treasurer MACTLAC