

MINUTES of MACTLAC EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1990
LAKE FOREST COLLEGE
LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS

President Jack Crump called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. in the Glen Rowan house. All members were present. Officers: Jack Crump (President), Anne Sherren (Pres.-Elect and Archivist), Larry Funck (Past-Pres.), Brad Glorvigen (Sec./Treas.), Larry Sherren (placement) and Bill Martin, our host. State Representatives: Larry Scheich (WI), Ross Latham (MI), Ed Lane (MO), Derek Chignell (IL), Pat Fish (MN), Bill Morrison (IN), Clint Rila (IA). This was the last meeting in the term of Drs: Scheich, Funck and Fish.

The minutes of the last two council meetings at Luther College (October '89) were approved without correction.

Brad Glorvigen presented the Treasurer's Reports from Forrest Frank, outgoing Secretary-Treasurer. Several inconsistencies were noted and questions raised. Anne and Brad agreed to consult Forrest at the meeting in order to clarify matters. It was agreed to standardize the treasurer's report each year to cover the period July--June 30.

Jack Crump announced the 39th annual meeting at Albion College. Tentative dates, subject to approval of the college calendar, are October 11-12, 1991. Most participants will be able to be housed in Albion, and Jack offered Executive Council members the opportunity to stay on campus in the conference center.

Potential speakers for the Albion meeting were discussed. Jack suggested Shelia Tobias, author of "They're Not Dumb, They're Different". Anne mentioned Truman Schwartz as a possibility; he could discuss Chemistry in Context.

Anne brought up the possibility of a MACTLAC-sponsored safety course in conjunction with the next meeting. The course is given by the National Safety Council and would take most of two days. Timing, before or after the meeting, might present a problem. Anne agreed to talk to Gene Losey (Elmhurst), who has experience with this workshop. Further discussion was postponed until Saturday.

A question was raised as to the effect of tenure considerations on teaching with regard to the current apparent increased emphasis on research and less teaching in our kindred institutions. It was, however, noted that there has been good attendance of younger faculty members at recent MACTLAC meetings including this year. Also there have been a substantial number of new, young members in the past two years.

The possibility of videotaping major MACTLAC addresses was considered; the consensus was that such material would not be of great use to teachers, but might prove useful to students. It did not seem that much enthusiasm was present among members for beginning this activity.

Dick Ramette of Carleton College was granted Honorary and Emeritus membership. Paul Cook, Carl Osuch, John Ricketts and Sister Mary Maynard Rhodes were also approved for Emeritus status. Only Carl Osuch was in attendance at this meeting. The prepared certificates were signed by Jack; the secretary will mail them.

Larry Ferren gave the placement report (see page 6 of your meeting packet) and a discussion ensued. A budget of \$150 was approved for the next year per Larry's request in order to advance operations as described. It was also suggested that schools contact Larry since he has a list of candidates. Two mailings per year, directed to the Dean or Academic VP, will be sent to MACTLAC schools asking that a list of available positions be sent to the placement officer.

Anne presented the Archivist report as written (page 7 of your meeting packet).

Brad requested permission to purge MACTLAC files, transferring important archival material to Anne at the next meeting, and to do away with the "MACTLAC traveling office" file cabinet, which has been battered and bruised over the years. It is too expensive to ship this heavy cabinet, laden with much unneeded material, in its own crate: \$67 this past summer!! From this point on, the trimmed files could either be mailed cheaply in one box to the new secretary/treasurer or transferred at a meeting, at least in part. The request was approved.

Pat Fish, outgoing state representative from Minnesota, was appointed chair of the Nominating Committee (State Reps) and charged with nominating a President-Elect.

Future meeting sites beyond 1992 were discussed. The basic 3-year rotation system was mentioned: Central, East, West. This cycle is evident in Lake Forest (90), Albion (91) and Grinnell (92). Suggestions for 93,94, and 95 were greater Chicago, Wabash and central Wisconsin or the Twin Cities (MN). More discussion was planned for Saturday.

The meeting was adjourned at noon and council members moved across the hall for lunch. Some discussion took place during lunch concerning the now defunct organization of chem faculty from Ohio liberal arts colleges. Further discussion will occur Saturday about the participation of these faculty in the Albion meeting.

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The luncheon meeting was called to order at noon by new President Anne Sherren. All members were present. Officers: Anne (Pres.), Bill Martin (Pres.-Elect), Jack Crump (Past-Pres. and 1991 Host), Brad Glorvigen (Sec/Treas.) Larry Ferren (Placement). State Reps: Mike Ross (MN), Dean Katahira (WI), Ross Latham (MI), Clint Rila (IA), Ed Lane (MO), Bill Morrison (IN) and Derek Chignell (IL). New reps Dean (Ripon) and Mike (St. John's/St. Ben's) were attending there first meeting; Ed Lane was beginning a 3-year term after filling the final year of Rita Servoss' term.

A discussion occurred for host schools and, in relation, the amount which a host school might be expected to contribute. This has been quite variable in the past and not necessarily related to the size (attendance) of the meeting and the quality of the speakers. It was agreed to examine the idea of a graduated fee for the host college dependent upon various parameters. Brad. G. agreed to look at past data in order to get some comparative figures.

The great attendance of young faculty at this year's meeting was noted.

Larry Ferren inquired as to the possibility of sending a placement service letter to select graduate schools. It was decided to wait one year on this option in order to see how current placement strategies fared.

Brad G. discussed the modified treasurer's report after having consulted with Forrest Frank. It was approved and the new version will be sent to council members along with the coucil meeting minutes.

Future Meeting Sites: Illinois Benedictine College (Lisle) expressed willingness to host the 1993 meeting. Jack Crump said he would talk to John Zimmerman at Wabash (Crawfordsville, IN) concerning the 1994 meeting. Another potential Indiana candidate was Manchester College, which had volunteered in the not so far past. Hamline University (St. Paul, MN) was suggested as a 1995 site, especially because of its new building (completed this Fall). St. Norbert (De Pere, WI, Green Bay "suburb"), which had previously expressed interest, was deemed a good possibility for the next "western" site in 1998. An open invitation to host will be printed in the meeting report from Lake Forest; the desirability of meeting at schools with recently built facilities will be mentioned.

Jack Crump agreed to write and mail invitations to attend the 1991 Albion meeting to appropriate schools in Ohio.

Anne will proceed in exploring the possibility of safety course in conjunction with the next meeting. She will inquire if Gene Losey (Elmhurst College) would be involved in the setup. This morning at the general business meeting members showed a distinct preference for such a safety course to be held after the regular meeting.

Program ideas for Albion were discussed further. One possibility was teacher education: the training of elementary teachers and the re-education of existing teachers. Since it will be the IUPAC centennial of nomenclature development, another possibility would be a major address on nomenclature. Bill Jensen (University of Cincinnati), was suggested as a potential speaker in this area if he has developed a talk on the history of nomenclature. Clint Rila cautioned: "A debate on nomenclature would quickly degenerate into name-calling."

Mixed feelings were expressed about the possibility of offering anything especially directed toward the group of younger women members.

At this point it was obvious that many members were eager to be "on the road again", and the meeting was adjourned shortly after 1 p.m.