MINUTES OF THE MACTLAC BUSINESS MEETING

HELD AT

CALVIN COLLEGE: GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

OCTOBER 9-10, 1970

Executive Council Meeting, Friday, October 9, 1970: 10:15 a.m.

Present: E. Fuller (President)

Sister Elizabeth Kramer (Wisconsin)

R. Bayer (President-Elect)

D. Steffenson (Michigan)

J. Ganchoff (Illinois)

J. Zimmerman (Secretary-Treasurer)

F. Emmitt Jacob (Iowa)

Order of Business:

1. The minutes of the last Executive Council meeting were read and approved.

- 2. In the absence of Donald Cook, who had been appointed Nominations Committee chairman at the Elmhurst meeting, the Council consented to convene Friday evening as an ad hoc Nominations Committee to select nominees for President-Elect and Secretary-Treasurer.
- 3. In the absence of any Saint Olaf College representation at the meeting, no plans were discussed for the 1971 meeting. [A subsequent phone call to Saint Olaf College revealed that Chairman Hanson, to whom all the correspondence requesting representation had been sent, was on sabbatical leave.] The Secretary-Treasurer was instructed to request that Wesley Pearson, Acting Saint Olaf Chairman, originate local plans for the 1971 meeting.
- 4. Invitations were considered for hosting the 1972 annual meeting. The unique nature of an offer from Marquette University was discussed. The Council came to the consensus that it would be setting an undesirable precedent to stage an annual meeting an an institution sponsoring a major Ph.D. program. The Secretary-Treasurer was instructed to inform Marquette of this decision.

The sentiment to hold the twentieth annual meeting at Monmouth College, the site of the convocation leading to the formation of MACTLAC, led to unanimous approval of Monmouth College as the 1972 meeting site.

- 5. The Secretary-Treasurer presented a financial report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.
- 6. Richard Bayer moved that MACTLAC reimburse the host institution for all meeting expenses up to \$200. The motion was seconded. An amendment that the host institution be permitted to petition for support in excess of \$200 failed to receive a second. The original motion then passed.

7. William Deskin requested permission to address the Council. He relayed the concern of Mrs. Ida Wallace, Washington Executive Secretary of the Associated Colleges of the Midwest, for the declining stature or undergraduate science education in the National Science Foundation. Mr. Deskin requested the release of the MACTLAC mailing list to Mrs. Wallace for use in her campaign in behalf of undergraduate science education.

A motion to place Mrs. Wallace's request for the MACTLAC mailing list before the general business meeting was seconded and passed.

- 8. The Secretary-Treasurer was directed to continue the informal summary letter format of describing the annual meeting in lieu of a more extensive presentation.
- 9. There was a brief discussion of possible modification in the procedures for selecting Honorary Life Membership nominees. Although the need for a nominating committee was suggested, no further action was taken.
- 10. By consensus the Council left the Physical Chemistry Laboratory Manual Fund intact, even though no further expenditures were on the horizon.
- 11. Several council members expressed interest in a survey of the state of chemistry in the independent liberal arts college, vis-a-vis the presentations Harry Lewis had made at past annual meetings.

A motion authorizing up to \$200 support for such a survey was seconded and passed. Edward Haenisch's name was mentioned as the most likely author of such a survey, but it was decided to hold the entire matter until the status of his health became more clear.

12. Courtland Agree appeared at the close of the meeting to announce his availability to discuss the College Chemistry Consulting Service (C₃S) with interested individuals.

General Business Meeting, Saturday, October 10, 1970.

- 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:

Illinois - Quentin Petersen Monmouth Indiana - Stanley Burden Taylor Iowa - Truman Jorden Cornell Michigan - Leonard Worden Kalamazoo

Those State Representatives whose terms will expire in 1971 are:

Minnesota - Richard Werth Concordia

Missouri - Marvin Dixon William Jewell

(elected to fill the last year of Rose McNamee's term)

Wisconsin - Sister Elizabeth Kramer . . Alverno

3. The following slate of officers for 1970-71 was presented:

President - Richard Bayer . . . Carroll
President-Elect - William Oelke . . . Grinnell
Secretary-Treasurer- John F. Zimmerman . . Wabash

4. Arild Miller presented the following resolution:

"In view of the important role played by Harry F. Lewis in establishing MACTLAC, and of his unique and forceful contributions throughout the life of our organization:

Be it resolved that MACTLAC hereby acknowledge its gratitude to Harry Lewis for his part in making MACTLAC what it is.

Be it further resolved that we act in this regard, not by empty words, but by doing what we can to make sure that MACTLAC remains a lively and pertinent institution of which Harry would have been proud."

The resolution was adopted by unanimous consent.

- 5. Arild Miller reported on the year's activities in the MACTLAC Teacher Placement Directory. 260 job applications were received for the 10 positions made known to the Directory. Seven placements were made through this service. Mr. Miller expressed his willingness to continue the Directory, and urged those with positions available to make them known to him. President Fuller extended MACTLAC's appreciation for Mr. Miller's work with the Directory.
- 6. William Deskin moved that the MACTLAC membership list be released to Mrs. Ida Wallace, Washington Executive Secretary of the Associated Colleges of the Midwest. Mr. Deskin explained Mrs. Wallace's intention to use the list to solicit support in her campaign of encouraging National Science Foundation support of undergraduate science education. The motion was seconded. Richard Rammette suggested that requests for supporting letters be limited to departments in lieu of soliciting the entire MACTLAC membership. The motion was passed.
- 7. Members from the Manchester College Chemistry department voiced their concern over the increasing financial burden of maintaining Chemical Abstracts in the small college library. The ensuing discussion revealed that those who had presented this problem to the ACS had met with little real support for the plight of the small institution. By consensus the concern was left as a matter of record for subsequent consideration.

- 8. Richard Ramette announced the availability of a collection of advanced inorganic chemistry questions assembled by James Finholt from MACTLAC member contributions.
- 9. The meeting closed with a rising vote of thanks to Enno Wolthuis and the Calvin College staff for their efforts in organizing an excellent meeting and for the cordial hospitality extended to those in attendance.

Executive Council Meeting: Saturday noon, October 10, 1970.

The following points were raised at this very informal luncheon meeting:

- 1. The State Representatives should play a greater role in the organization - particularly in planning the annual meeting.
- 2. It would be desirable to use a distinctive name tag to identify new members attending an annual meeting.
- 3. A spontaneous discussion group should be a part of the annual meeting.
- 4. Direct contact with Saint Olaf regarding the 1971 meeting should be made as quickly as possible.
- 5. The instrument show at the Calvin College meeting was judged successful.
- 6. No particular interest was shown in reviving Theta Chi Delta, an honorary chemical fraternity. Marvin Dixon had been asked to test the group sentiment in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Zimmerman Secretary-Treasurer MACTLAC