

MIDWESTERN ASSOCIATION OF CHEMISTRY TEACHERS
IN LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGES

Office of the Secretary-Treasurer
Earlham College
Richmond, Indiana

February 10, 1966

TO: MACTLAC Members in Good Standing

SUBJECT: Report of the Thirteenth Annual Meeting, held at Lawrence University
on October 15-16, 1965

Once again we had excellent weather for our annual meeting and a large group of nearly 200 members and guests enjoyed the excellent hospitality of Bob Rosenberg and his colleagues. The Friday afternoon program consisted, as usual, of discussion groups on a variety of topics. Summaries of these discussions are enclosed for your information. (These summaries are more complete than in previous years, in line with the recommendation of the Executive Council that detailed summaries of the discussions are of interest and value to the entire membership.) The banquet on Friday evening was followed by a presentation from a panel of faculty members from Lawrence on "Freshman Studies at Lawrence: From Plato and the Bible to Einstein and the Genetic Code." This was something of a departure from our usual type of program, but seemed to be very well received by those present. On Saturday morning, Dr. Henry Bent from the University of Minnesota gave an informative lecture on the Charge Cloud or Tangent Sphere model of electronic structure and showed how useful this model can be in elementary chemistry courses. Following this, Dr. Van R. Potter from the University of Wisconsin gave a lecture on "Studies on Responses of Tumor Enzymes to Normal Control Mechanisms."

At the general business meeting on Saturday, the major item of business was the enactment of a series of constitutional changes which had been presented for first reading last year. The most significant of these changes are 1) extension of the geographical area to include the eastern portions of North and South Dakota, Nebraska, and Kansas and 2) elimination of the category of associate membership and the limitation of future membership entirely to teachers in private liberal arts colleges (but acceptance of present associate members as full members). The category of honorary membership was officially established, and the executive council unanimously elected Harry Lewis as the first honorary member. We were delighted that Harry was able to meet with us, and the members present expressed their appreciation to him with a standing ovation. Harry was instrumental in the founding of MACTLAC and has given active leadership to the association throughout its history. The association also voted to increase the annual dues from \$1.00 to \$2.00 in order to permit payment of travel expenses and possible honoraria for speakers at the annual meetings. The report from the MACTLAC Physical Chemistry Manual Project indicated that the first portion of the manual is nearly ready for publication and the second section will consist of a series of loose leaf experiments. William Oelke at Grinnell College is the editor.

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The officers elected for the current year are:

President: Courtland Agre, Augsburg College
President-Elect: John Coutts, Lake Forest College
Secretary-treasurer: Richard Bayer, Carroll College

The newly-elected state representatives, chosen by caucus of the members present from their states are:

Missouri: Marvin Dixon, William Jewell College
Minnesota: William Child, Carleton College
Wisconsin: Paul Barks, St. Norbert College

The state representatives who have another year to serve are:

Indiana: Philip Kinsey, Evansville College
Illinois: Leland Harris, Knox College
Iowa: William Deskin, Cornell College
Michigan: Irwin Brink, Hope College

The 1966 meeting will be held at Luther College, Decorah, Iowa on October 14-15. Adrian Docken will be the program chairman.

The 1967 meeting will be held at Evansville College, Evansville, Indiana.

I would like to remind you that a questionnaire on program suggestions for future meetings was distributed at the meeting in Appleton last fall. If you took it home with you intending to fill it out later, or if you have other suggestions, please send them to Courtland Agre or Adrian Docken.

I am sure that you will all give Dick Bayer, as the new secretary-treasurer, the same help and support which I have received in the last three years.

Sincerely,

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September 1964 - 292
September 1965 - 302
January 1966 - 357
November 1966 - 400