

**SAS GOVERNING BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2010 4:30 P.M.  
RALEIGH MARRIOTT, RALEIGH, NC  
CHANCELLOR ROOM**

President-Fred LaPlant Present  
President-Elect - Curtis Marcott Present  
Past President - Jon Carnahan Present  
Secretary - Katherine Bakeev Present  
Treasurer - Paul Bourassa Present  
Membership Coordinator - Gloria Story Present  
Web Editor - Ron Williams Present  
Local/Technical Section Affairs Coordinator - David Heaps Present  
Parliamentarian - Diane Parry Present  
Journal Editor-In-Chief - Peter Griffiths Present  
Journal Editor - Michael Blades Present  
Newsletter Editor - David Butcher Present  
Student Representative - John David McElderry Present  
SAS Executive Director - Bonnie Saylor Present  
Governing board member 2010-2011 - Steve Barnett - Present  
Governing board member 2010-2011 - Robert Lascola - Present  
Governing board member 2010-2011 - Karla McCain - Present  
Governing board member- 2010-2011- Mike Morris - Present  
Governing board member- 2010-2011 -John Wasyluk - Present  
Governing board member 2009-2010 Mary Kate Donais - Present  
Governing board member 2009-2010 Mark Druy - Absent  
Governing board member 2009-2010 Pavel Matousek (International Delegate) Present  
Governing board member 2009-2010 Lynne Taylor - Present  
Governing board member 2009-2010 Sandra Thompson - Absent  
Regional section delegate - Rina Dukor - Present  
Regional section delegate - John Jackovitz - Present  
Regional section delegate - Greg Klunder - Present  
Regional section delegate - Larry Nafie - Present  
Regional section delegate - Debbie Peru - Present  
Regional Section delegates:  
Chicago - Doug Shrader - Present  
Cincinnati - Rajiv Soman- Present  
New England - Richard Crocombe- Present  
New York - Debbie Peru - Present  
Piedmont - David Butcher- Present  
Snake River - Peter Griffiths- Present  
United Kingdom - John Chalmers- Present  
Technical Section Delegates  
Atomic - Debbie Bradshaw - Present

CNIRS - J. Clay Harris- Present  
Coblentz – no representation  
Forensics - no representation  
Process- no representation  
Student Section Delegate -  
University of Wisconsin- Milwaukee- John Frost - Present  
Allen Press - Ed MacMillan Present  
Journal – Rebecca Airmet Present  
SAS Office: Stephanie Iocco Present  
Victor Hutcherson Present

The meeting was called to order by Fred LaPlant at 4:32 PM.

Fred LaPlant made introductions of officers elected in the recent SAS election. Mary Kate Donais (not present at time) was introduced as newly elected president-elect. Jon Carnahan is the outgoing president. Paul Bourassa has been re-elected as the treasurer.

The meeting rules of order were read by Diane Parry, Parliamentarian.

A motion to approve the minutes from the October 20, 2009 Governing Board Meeting was made by Mike Morris and seconded by John Jackovitz. The minutes were approved unanimously

A motion was made to approve all the Executive committee report together by Mike Morris and seconded by John Chalmers. The EC reports were approved unanimously.

John Chalmers motioned to approve all the national SAS Committee reports. The motion was seconded by Steve Barnett. All the national SAS committee reports were unanimously approved.

The delegate reports (FACSS and Chemical heritage foundation) were submitted; a motion to approve these was made by Mike Morris and seconded by John Jackovitz. The delegate reports were approved unanimously.

#### Unfinished Business

A. SAS Website

Ron Williams/Mary Anne Ohlhoff

A brief update on the SAS website given by Ron Williams. The overview is that one can now renew SAS membership from the website and since June the new company doing the website work has made lots of progress. The search engine on the website is now functioning. Links to local sections are not yet working. The A pages of the journal, including all focal point articles will be available as free access from the website.

B. Applied Spec Ad Updates

Ed MacMillan

FACSS is time when Ed MacMillan has opportunity to talk with the vendors. Based on his

interactions thus far, the advertising looks like it will be good for 2011. 2009 was a banner year for advertising. 2010 was a tough year, but we did see solid support (increase in support from Bruker & Horiba), though overall there was ~ 10% decrease in ad revenues. Ed requests that we all thank vendors for their support. The journal production schedule will be revised so that Pittcon issue will come out in mid-February (this is March issue). Peter Griffiths asks that we acknowledge Rebecca Airmet for her efforts in allowing us to advance our productions schedules. Fred LaPlant lead the Governing board in thanking Ed for his efforts.

C. SAS Day at FACSS

Gloria Story

The 2009 & 2010 SAS member events were both very-well attended, and viewed as resounding successes. Gloria presented 2 choices for the Reno 2011 FACSS SAS member event: fencing club which will include tournaments following some basic training; boat ride on Lake Tahoe  
A vote by show of hands shows boat trip to be the favored option,

D. Symposia at PITTCON

All

2011 SAS-sponsored sessions at Pittcon will be chaired by Peter Griffiths and Gary Heiftje. The EC had discussed 3 symposia sessions for 2012 Pittcon (Orlando). SAS needs to be careful to not overlap with other symposia at Pittcon, and this may be the case with biophotonics/bioimaging. Pavel Matousek, FACSS program chair for 2011 points out that biomedical topics and forensics will be boasted for 2011 FACSS. The action is that SAS communicate with the Pittcon 2012 program chair. We need to have our proposals accepted and will hope to have invited symposia as they have been in 2009, 2010, and 2011.

E. FACSS Surplus Funds

Bonnie Saylor

Surplus funds remain within FACSS coffers, earmarked for sponsoring groups such as SAS. There are guidance on how the funds can be used. Currently SAS has 12K credit (from Memphis FACSS). Mike Morris suggests that SAS underwrite student registration if they present a poster on Sunday evening session with a review process of the posters so that not all submissions are awarded. Lynne Taylor recommends a graduate student symposium be supported. Numerous people suggest that the funds not all be used in one year. Travel funds for undergrads were also suggested. Action: EC to define how much of the funds will be spent in 2011. The SAS should choose activities that will have the highest impact for FACSS.

New Business

A. Journal Honorarium

Fred LaPlant

Peter Griffiths & Mike Blades were excused during discussion of their honorarium. An increase of \$1600 was recommended by the EC on Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>. Rina Dukor makes a motion to call the question. Larry Nafie seconded. There was a unanimous vote to close discussion. John Jackovitz moves that we vote to accept the EC recommendation. Debbie Bradshaw seconds this. Rina Dukor proposes an amendment to increase the honorarium to \$2000 (1250/750). John Jackovitz and Debbie Bradshaw accept the amendment. There is an unanimous approval of \$2000 increase in honorarium for the journal editors.

B. Relationship between the Journal and the Society Peter Griffiths

Peter Griffiths & Mike Blades have worked diligently in improving the impact factor of the journal. The publications committee has had discussions on more clearly (and narrowly to cover photonic spectroscopy) defining the aim and scope of the journal. A proposal for this will be made by Peter and Mike with the intent that it be distributed by e-mail to move the discussion forward.

C. Spectroscopy Society of Japan Peter Griffiths

On recent trip to Japan Peter Griffiths became aware that The Journal of the Spectroscopical Society of Japan publishes high quality review papers, all in Japanese. Peter will follow up a discussion with them to then publish these in English with the Applied Spectroscopy.

D. Journal Editor Position Fred LaPlant

Peter Griffiths will be stepping down as Editor in Chief of the Journal at the end of his present term, June 2012. Mike Blades has expressed willingness to be a nominee for this position. The governing Board with round of applause acknowledged Peter Griffith's contribution in his role.

E. Presidential Terms Peter Griffiths

The EC has recommended that a draft change to the by-laws be made by the Constitution and By-laws committee to make the presidential term 2 years. The draft proposal will then be promoted to the Governing Borad for approval

F. SAS Logo and T-Shirt Contest Fred LaPlant

This item tabled at this time.

G. Constitution and Bylaws Vote Jon Carnahan

There is a proposed by-laws change to Article XIV: (Committees) that a newsletter committee be created. Dave Butcher, newsletter editor discusses justification for the creation of this committee. Nomination to this committee will be made as per existing by-laws. Doug Shrader moves to accept the by-law change, with a second by Steve Barnett. The by-law change was agreed unanimously.

H. Budget Review and Approval Paul Bourassa

Paul Bourassa reviewed the auditors' report and brings the GB's attention to increase in assets from 2008 to 2009. Review of budget for 2010 shows that the spending projections for 2010 are below budget. The EC voted to recommend that budget be accepted by GB. Rina Dukor moves to accept 2011 proposed budget. John Jackovitz seconded the motion. The 2011 budget was unanimously approved.

I. FACSS Site Selection Vote All

At the EC meeting on Oct 16th Jim Rydzak & Ian Lewis made presentations for the 2013 FACSS site with a strong recommendation for Milwaukee. The EC is recommending to FACSS

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that

Milwaukee be 2013 site. Greg Klunder moves that the board accept recommendation. John Wasylyk seconded. The recommendation of Milwaukee for the site of the 2013 FACSS meeting was unanimously approved.

Tour speaker: Steve Barnett

Steve Barnett suggests that some funds be made allowing local sections to invite speakers from adjacent sections – increasing networking with members not in such a distance. NY and NE sections have hosted webinar-based section meetings and extended invitations to other sections to attend. There is interest in using this mechanism more broadly to increase participation at local section meetings and interaction between members.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by David Heaps and seconded by John Jackovitz. The meeting was adjourned by Fred LaPlant at 6:41PM.