**Committee on Nominations and Elections**

# Oral Report to Council

**Boston – August 19, 2015**

Madam President, Ladies and Gentlemen of Council:

The results of this morning’s election are as follows and the numerical results will be announced in the Councilor Talking Points and placed in the spring San Diego Council agenda book:

The five candidates elected to the Committee on Committees for 2016-2018 are Christopher J. Bannochie, Michelle V. Buchanan, Alan B. Cooper, Donna G. Friedman, Carolyn Ribes, and a sixth candidate, Jetty Duffy-Matzner is elected for a two-year term, 2016-2017.

The four candidates elected to the Council Policy Committee for 2016-2018 are Frank D. Blum, Mary K. Carroll, Lisa Houston, and Lee H. Latimer.

The five candidates elected to the Nominations & Elections Committee for 2016-2018 are Mary K. (Moore) Engelman, Roland F. Hirsch, C. Marvin Lang, Les W. McQuire, and Donivan R. Porterfield.

If possible, the newly elected members of N&E should meet briefly at the conclusion of the Council meeting at the N&E table in the back of the room.

We received positive feedback on the improved format of the Town Hall Meeting for Directors-at-Large conducted Sunday. We’ve seen an increase in the number of questions submitted and the number of evaluations returned, and are appreciative of those who participated. As a reminder, for all Town Hall Meetings, questions can be submitted in advance at nomelect@acs.org

Ballots for the 2015 fall national election will be mailed on October 2nd with a voting deadline four weeks later on October 30. Members will have the option to vote electronically or by the traditional paper ballot. To encourage voter participation, our election vendor, VR Election Services, will send out an email in September to ACS members offering them the option of receiving their ballot electronically. Those members who opt in to receive their ballot electronically will not receive a paper ballot. The election vendor will send two email reminders during the voting period to all eligible voters who have not voted as of those scheduled e-mail dates.

The candidates who will appear on the ballot for the 2015 national election for President-Elect, 2016, are G. Bryan Balazs and Allison A. Campbell.

For Directors-at-Large (2016-2018), the candidates are Lee H. Latimer, Willem R. Leenstra, Ingrid Montes, Mary Jo Ondrechen, and Thomas W. Smith.

For District I Director (2016-2018), the candidates are Thomas R. Gilbert and Laura E. Pence.

For District V Director (2016-2018), the candidates are John E. Adams and Kenneth P. Fivizzani.

N&E requests that all Councilors encourage fellow members to participate in the upcoming national election. All ACS members will vote for President-Elect, Councilors will vote for Directors-at-Large, and members of the appropriate districts will vote for District Directors. You can view candidate information on acs.org under “Elections”.

In its executive session, the committee developed slates of potential nominees for President-Elect-2017 and Directors of Districts II and IV for 2017-2019, as well as a slate of potential candidates for Director-at-Large, for 2017-2019. The pertinent biographical information will appear in the Council agenda book for the 251st ACS national meeting in San Diego, and posted on acs.org under “Elections”.

N&E received reports from its subcommittees on Candidates Services and Communications, Elections (Procedures and Processes), and on Leadership Sustainability. The committee voted not to take a position on the Procedures for Expulsion of a Member.

N&E solicits names of Councilors for consideration for service on elected committees. We ask that each Councilor please submit your suggested names on the form located on page 48 of the Council agenda to any N&E member, or you can send your suggestions by email to the committee at nomelect@acs.org. These forms are also available at the N&E tables as you exit the Council meeting.

Please remember to return your clicker to the check-in desk when requested to do so. If you need to leave prior to the close of business this morning, please remember to return your clicker to the check in desk, with an ACS staff member.

Madam President, this concludes my report.