

### I. Nomenclature, Terminology and Symbols

Following a review of Bulletin 5 Description of Duties for NTS, committee discussion led to a redefinition of several duties, in order to make them more relevant to current SOCIETY mission and vision statements. These changes were incorporated into a newly-developed Committee Operations Manual. Adoption of this manual, and its posting at the NTS website will clarify committee goals, procedures, and member expectations, helping to ensure full participation in committee business by current and future committee members.

Consistent with its revised duties, NTS undertook several new initiatives and studies. In order to determine how NTS could better assist Divisions with programming at National ACS meetings, an Outreach Subcommittee was formed, to identify potential sessions in National ACS meetings where NTS could join as participant, sponsor or co-sponsor. This subcommittee will conduct ongoing monitoring of national programming for regions of NTS interest.

To further its role in nomenclature-related SOCIETY issues, NTS began a review of current instructions to authors concerning nomenclature, terminology and symbols for all ACS journals. Checks for consistency and currency of information will be studied.

Committee consensus was that the presence of NTS members at meetings of other national and international societies with duties that overlap those of NTS would benefit the SOCIETY by extending awareness of ACS to other scientific entities. Funding for such activities was incorporated into the committee budget.

Following a review of proposed “New SI” definitions important to chemists (e.g. mole and kilogram), work was begun on producing a set of documents that would explain the new definitions to ACS members, educators and students. Such pedagogical tools are not currently available, and are not anticipated as forthcoming from other standards setting organizations.

In a closed session, ACS travel policy was reviewed and discussed. This long-standing issue was finally resolved, allowing committee members to plan their travel to national meetings. The policy was approved by ConC, and is now incorporated into the NTS Operations Manual.

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