

CPC Vice-Chair Report to Council
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Mr. President and Members of Council:

At this time I ask that the Councilors and Alternate Councilors who are attending their first Council meeting stand and be recognized.

The Long Range Planning Subcommittee hosted a Strategy Café for Councilors last evening. The focus of the session was to connect Councilors and share thoughts on three change drivers that affect the strategic direction of the Society: conferences and events reimagined, globalization of chemistry, and chemistry's changing workforce. More than 40 attended. The subcommittee also reviewed a proposed newly designed Councilor site on the ACS Network.

The CPC working group on Future Council Representation met Monday. The group discussed setting deadlines for future deliverables, the importance of including various representatives to inform discussions, and the possibility of meeting face to face in 2019 outside of the national meeting timeframe.

The Board-CPC Task Force on Governance Design is reviewing its final report. It is our hope that the Board and CPC will accept the report and work to implement the recommendations of the task force. The Council-related portions of the report are in parallel with the ongoing efforts of the CPC Working Group on Future Council Representation. The first phase of the recommendations, the streamlining of the governing documents effort, is moving ahead with the petition in the Council agenda for consideration.

The Subcommittee on Petitions, Constitution and Bylaws met on Monday to discuss the three petitions on the Council agenda: two for action, and one for consideration. CPC subsequently considered and took appropriate action on Tuesday. CPC voted to endorse the Petition on Affiliation with Other Technical Organizations, and the Petition to Remove Restrictions for International Chemical Sciences Chapters. CPC also voted to endorse the Petition to Streamline the ACS Governing Documents. While this petition is presently up for consideration, CPC believes a timely endorsement of this petition is appropriate and important.

The Councilor Divisor, which sets representation on Council by Local Sections and Divisions for 2020-2023, must be established by May 1, 2019. A task force will be set up to begin work on this early next year.

Mr. President, this concludes my report.

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