Oral remarks

Committee on Technician Affairs (CTA)

Jennifer McCulley, Chair

Madam President and Members of Council, you may have read in the August 12 issue of C&E News, many of the stakeholders of the CTA committee are not only unaware of the benefits of ACS membership, attending national meetings, and our committee but do not “self-identify” as a technician.

During the 2019 Fall Meeting the committee focused on progression towards its vision, “The essential resource for Chemical Technical Professionals” and mission statement, “Support and Advance the Chemical Technical Professional Through Career Development and Recognition”.

Key activities of the three subcommittees in 2019 and at the Fall meeting at San Diego includes the following:

At the 2019 spring meeting, we recognized a chemical technical profession, Laura Nielsen at Phillips 66, with the National Chemical Technician Award.

**Awards and Recognition Subcommittee** continued at the San Diego meeting, the Leadership Development System Course Award covering the cost for one or two chemical technical professionals, who live within 200-miles of the location of each national meeting, to take an ACS Leadership Development System course at the meeting.

The committee selected the recipient the 2019 ChemLuminary, ***local section*** *“Best Event or Activity Organized by, or Benefiting, the Applied Chemical Technology Professional Community”* award, recognized at the ChemLuminary Award Ceremony.

CTA co-sponsored eight events at this meeting. These sponsorships serve not only to increase awareness of CTA but also build stronger connections with other parts of ACS, a critical component for a successful committee.

**Professional Development Subcommittee and Stakeholders Outreach Subcommittees are** planning and researching the next activities in career development and benefits of ACS membership for the chemical technical professional.

Contact us at **cta@acs.org** and join our **LinkedIn group: ACS Committee on Technician Affairs (CTA**) and follow us on **Twitter @cta\_acs**.

This concludes my report.