Madam President and Members of Council:

During their meeting, the Committee on Committees (ConC) began developing its recommendations for 2020 Committee Chair appointments and reappointments for consideration by the President-Elect and the Chair of the Board of Directors. The committee also discussed the petition up for action by Council. ConC voted to endorse the Petition to Streamline the ACS Governing Documents.

ConC also participated in an orientation session that was held this past Saturday for new Councilors and Alternate Councilors to better acquaint them with the Council and its structure, and to also encourage them to consider service through one of the Society’s 32 Council-related Committees.

On behalf of the Council, ConC would like to take this opportunity to recognize all new Councilors. **Please stand now and be recognized.**

The ACS Bylaws require that ConC review each Joint Board-Council and Other Committees of the Council no less often than every five years and advise the Board of Directors and Council whether they should be continued. In fulfilling the Bylaw mandate, performance reviews for two committees have been completed.

[SLIDE 1] On behalf of ConC, I move and CPC concurs that the Committee on Nomenclature, Terminology & Symbols be continued, and that the Committee on Senior Chemists, subject to concurrence by the Board of Directors, as required, be continued.

[SLIDE 2] As part of ConC’s continuing effort to learn about the composition of our committees, broaden ACS member awareness, and provide an update on the survey conducted in 2016, the second committee demographic survey was launched on February 25. The survey was sent to over 750 committee participants of the 32 Council-related committees. As of April 2, ConC is pleased to announce that the survey currently has a participation rate of 70%.

If you are on a committee and have not already completed the survey, we ask that you take 5 minutes to do so. The survey will remain open until April 11, 2019. ConC would also like to emphasize once again that is not our intention to make the diversity topics listed in the survey the basis for an assignment on an ACS Committee, but to support our ACS Core Value of “Diversity, Inclusion, and Respect”.

[SLIDE 3] As a reminder, the online preference form opened March 18 and will close on June 7, 2019. If you are interested in serving on an ACS Committee in 2020, please go to this secure site [https://www.yellowbook.acs.org](https://www.yellowbook.acs.org) to complete your preferences.

A form for recommending ACS members for committee service is also found on page 123 of the Council agenda. Although not everyone can be appointed to a committee, we can assure you that you will receive thorough consideration for an assignment.

On the same secure website, you can also access the **2019 Yellow Book**. The online version of this book includes, slide navigation at the bottom, an active table of contents, and ‘search’ and ‘zoom’ features. As a reminder and in compliance with the CPC Policy, this is not a
downloadable document and there are no live email links. Please check your contact information for accuracy. Contact secretary@acs.org with any comments and/or questions you may have.

Madam President, this concludes my report.