Mister President and members of Council, the Society Committee on Budget and Finance met on Saturday. The Committee reviewed the Society’s 2014 probable year-end financial projection which calls for a Net Contribution from Operations of $14.4 million, or $752,000 higher than the Approved Budget. Total revenues are projected at $497.2 million. This is $1.1 million or 0.2% unfavorable to the Approved Budget. The projected shortfall is primarily driven by lower-than-budgeted Electronic Services, Registration Fees, and Advertising revenues. Total expenses are projected at $482.8 million, which is $1.9 million or 0.4% favorable to the Approved. This variance is the result of lower-than-budgeted expenses across multiple categories primarily in the Society’s information services divisions (CAS and Publications). The Probable 1 projection was developed using May 31 actual financial results. Based on more recent information through July, management believes this projection will be exceeded.
SLIDE 3 – SOCIETY PROGRAM PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT (SPPM)

At Saturday’s meeting, B&F received a brief status report on the new Society Program Portfolio Management Process. In 2014, ACS will spend about $43 million on Society Programs within the Membership & Scientific Advancement Division, the Education Division, and the Office of Public Affairs. The goal of the new SPPM process is to maximize the impact and benefits that Society Programs deliver to ACS members and the chemistry community while optimizing the allocation of resources among the program portfolio. Implementation of the SPPM process will begin following this meeting. An introductory slide presentation providing more background on the new process is located on the ACS website under the Governance tab. In addition to this introductory presentation, an SPPM Handbook will be available online on October 1.

Note there are also two articles on Society Program Portfolio Management included in the August Councilor Bulletin.

SLIDE 4 – AT WWW.ACS.ORG

For additional information related to the Society’s finances, go to the ACS website, click on ‘About Us’ and then click on ‘ACS Financial Information’.
SLIDE 5 – ACS FINANCIAL INFORMATION

This slide is a snapshot of the landing page for the ACS Financial Information link showing a variety of financial information including resources such as F.A.Q.s; a financial overview of the Society; a Glossary of Financial Terms; and Net Asset information. It also includes the Society’s audited financial statements and IRS Form 990 filings. We hope you find this information useful.

Mister President and Members of Council, this concludes my report.

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Society Committee on B&F