

Committee on Committees (ConC)

Mister President-Elect and Members of Council:

The Committee on Committees (ConC) in consultation with committee chairs and staff liaisons, is developing recommendations for 2021 Committee appointments and reappointments for consideration by the President-Elect and the Chair of the Board of Directors.

Earlier this month, ConC held a summit entitled “Promoting Diversity, Inclusion & Respect and Removing Systemic Barriers within ACS Committees” to hear from all committees about their plans and brainstorm approaches to removing barriers within the committee system and ACS. ConC will present these plans, ideas, and actions to the ACS Executive Leadership Team and Board of Directors.

During its virtual meeting, the ConC Subcommittee on Committee System and Structure presented a petition that would harmonize the ACS committee structures, relax the “Councilor only” designation that exists for some of the ACS committees, and standardize committee term limits. ConC voted to accept this petition and expects it to be up for action during Council in 2021.

[SLIDES 1-2] On behalf of the Council, ConC would now like to recognize committee members and chairs who will have served the statutory limit or have otherwise completed their service on committees at the end of 2020. You will find these names on **page 56** of your Council agenda.

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SLIDE #2

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Mamie W. Moy
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[SLIDE 3] The following committee chairs have served the statutory limit on the committee they chair.

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Judith Currano
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Ann C. Kimble-Hill

Jennifer B. Nielson
Carolyn Ribes
James Schiller
Ralph Stuart III
Don L. Warner
Kimberly A. Woznack

We wish to now recognize the following Council members for their years of service on the ACS Council. These names are found on **page 57** of your Council agenda.

[SLIDE 4] - Fifteen (15) Years

Andrea B. Twiss-Brooks
Matthew K. Chan
Catherine (Katie) T. Hunt
Sheila Kanodia
Patricia A. Mabrouk
Sarah M. Mullins
Carolyn Ribes
D. Paul Rillema

[SLIDE 5] - Twenty (20) & Twenty-Five (25) Years

20 Years

David S. Crumrine
Richard Lomneth
Kenneth Showalter
Barry Streusand

25 Years

Christopher Bannochie
Milagros Delgado
Frank J. Torre
Marinda Li Wu

[SLIDE 6] - Thirty (30) Years & Forty-Four (45) Years

30 Years

Thomas R. Gilbert
Willem R. Leenstra
Zaida C. Morales Martinez
Mary Virginia Orna
Robert A. Pribush

45 Years

Roger Bartholomew

All petitions brought before the Council are assigned to a committee with closely related substantive responsibilities. ConC was assigned the Petition to Clarify Amendments to the Standing Rules, which is up for action at this meeting. The Committee supports the petitioner's intent to ensure consistency within the ACS Governing Documents by including the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws in the review process for petitions to amend the Standing Rules. This review is listed as one of their duties in Standing Rule V, but their review was inadvertently omitted in Bylaw XI regarding the procedures for amendments to the Standing Rules.

I now yield the floor to **Donna Friedman**, Chair of the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, for action on the petition beginning on **page 58** of the Council agenda.

ConC is required by Standing Rule II, to review each "Other" Committee and each Joint Board-Council Committee no less often than every five years and to advise the Council and Board of Directors as to whether the committee(s) should be continued.

In fulfilling the Standing Rule mandate, ConC reviewed the Committee on Chemical Abstract Service (CCAS) in 2019. After much discussion at several meetings, listening to the CCAS members, and careful consideration, ConC voted to recommend to the Council and the Board of Directors that they disband CCAS.

[Slide 7] This was a difficult decision and ConC did not make it lightly. We value volunteer time and contributions and hope that committee service is meaningful and impactful. ConC reviewed the charge to the committee, and recognized that most of the duties are covered by the Governing Board for Publishing or CAS.

[Slide 8] Working within a dynamic business environment, CAS has multiple mechanisms for two-way communications with ACS members and customers, and can move faster, with more agility, and with more resources than the existing committee. There are quarterly meetings for governance oversight.

Due to the termination of the in-person Philadelphia National Meeting, ConC requested, and CPC agreed to defer this recommendation until this ACS Fall Council meeting to ensure that it is managed with transparency and respect.

[SLIDE 9] On behalf of ConC, I move, and CPC concurs, that the Joint Board-Council Committee on Chemical Abstracts, subject to concurrence by the Board of Directors, be disbanded.

(President-Elect opens the floor for discussion, and then conducts the vote).

If motion passes Carolyn will read the following:

- Pending the decision of the Board of Directors, ConC will seek new committee appointments for all CCAS members, based on their interests

Finally, those elected to ConC today are strongly encouraged to join us at our virtual closed executive meeting on Thursday, August 20, from 12:00-4:00 pm. You will be sent the meeting information immediately after Council.

Mister President-Elect, this concludes my report.

Carolyn Ribes, Chair

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Committee on Committees

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Committee Chair Recognition



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Councilor Anniversaries – 15 Years



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Shall the Petition to Clarify Amendments to the Standing Rules be approved?

Rationale for Recommendation

- Committee on Committees (ConC) values volunteer time and contributions
- ConC hopes volunteer experience is impactful and meaningful
- Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) has changed: Dynamic and competitive business environment
- CAS uses multiple methods and venues to collect input/feedback
- Committee on Chemical Abstracts Service (CCAS) members worked hard to identify purpose/role and appropriate actions for committee – over multiple years
- Governing Board for Publishing has oversight responsibilities for CAS
- ConC could not define an impactful and meaningful role for CCAS
 - The need for a Council-related committee here has gone away

CAS communications with Members, Governance, and Customers



- Governing Board for Publishing and ACS Board of Directors (quarterly)
- CAS Customer Center inquires (daily)
- Customer Success Representatives in field
- Global event participation, with reps fielding questions, engaging in product demonstrations, etc. (often include thought leaders)
- Membership Division engagement
- SciFinder® member Benefit program
- Customer surveys (informal and formal)
- Brand Feedback and Positions Research
- Alpha and Beta testing
- Direct Customer Voice

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