



CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT VI DIRECTOR, 2018-2020



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Academic Record: Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, B.S., 1973; Texas A&M University, Ph.D., 1979.

Honors: ACS Fellow, 2011; Northern Arizona University Gold Axe Educator of Influence, 2014; Colorado School of Mines: Outstanding Faculty Award, Professional Asian Students Engineering Society, 2008; Alumni Association Graduate Faculty Award, 2007; Asian Student Association Outstanding Faculty Award, 2007; Minority Engineering Program Faculty Commitment Award, 2004; West Virginia University Outstanding Graduate Faculty Award, 2004; West Virginia University, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, University Safety Award, 2000; West Virginia University, Outstanding Faculty Award, 1998; Phi Lambda Upsilon.

Professional Positions (for past ten years): Northern Arizona University, College of Engineering, Forestry & Natural Sciences, Dean, 2009 to date, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, Professor, 2009 to date; Colorado School of Mines, Professor, 2001-09, Department of Chemistry & Geochemistry Head, 2001-06.

Service in ACS National Offices: Board of Directors, Director, District VI, 2015-17; Councilor ex officio, 2015-17; Committee on Professional and Member Relations, 2015-16; Committee on Grants and Awards, 2015-16; Committee on Budget and Finance, 2004-13, Committee Associate, 2002-03; Committee on Meetings and Expositions, 1999-01, Consultant, 2001-06, Committee Associate, 1998; ACS Presidential Task Force on Support to Divisions & Local Sections, 2000; Women Chemists Committee, 1989-91, Committee Associate, 1988.

Service in ACS Offices: Member ACS since 1977. *Physical Chemistry Division:* Councilor, 2008-13. *Colorado Section:* Alternate Councilor, 2005-07; Chair, 2003; Chair-Elect, 2002. *Northern West Virginia Section:* Councilor, 1986-01; Nominating Committee Chair, 1985-86; Chair, 1984-85; Chair-Elect, 1983-84.

Member: American Society for Engineering Education; Council of Colleges of Arts & Sciences. *ACS Divisions:* Physical Chemistry and Geochemistry.

Related Activities: ACS Board/Council Policy Committee Task Force on Governance Design, Co-Chair, 2016 to date; ACS Board Task Force on Board Committee Review, 2016; ACS Presidential Task Force on U.S. Employment for Chemists, 2015 to date; ACS Board Governance Agility Framing Group, Chair, 2015-16; ACS Board Program Portfolio Management Oversight Group, 2013-14, Program Review Team Chair, 2013-14; ACS Budget & Finance Committee: Board Task Force on Financial Goals for Meeting & Expositions, 2013, B&F Subcommittee on Financial Impacts of Constitutional Amendments, 2006-10, Chair 2007-10, B&F Advisory Subcommittee, 2007-13, B&F Program Review Advisory Group, 2006-13, Chair, 2010-13, B&F Subcommittee on Program Funding Requests, 2002-06, B&F Task Force on National Meeting Finances, 2002-03; ACS Presidential Task Force on Support to Divisions & Local Sections 2000; Council for Chemical Research Communication and Public Relations Committee, Chair 1999-2000; West Virginia University, Assistant Professor to Professor, 1982-2001, Department Chair, 1990-01, Associate Chair, 1988-90; University of Texas at Austin, Research Associate, 1982; Eastern Michigan University, Assistant Professor, 1981-82; University of Oregon, Postdoctoral Fellow, 1979-81.

STATEMENT

The statements of the candidates represent their opinions and do not necessarily represent the views of the ACS.

It has been my honor to serve on the Board of Directors of the ACS representing District VI and I wish to continue to serve in that role as your advocate. I seek your support to continue my efforts to position the ACS to make strategic decisions that will allow us to pass onto our young colleagues a Society as strong and stable as our predecessors passed on to us. My vision that our members will significantly increase the local relevance of our Society and fortify the global position of our Society remains unchanged. We have made great progress and I will remain dedicated to that vision. I have visited many local sections and attended many regional meetings and have witnessed the dedication of our members. I have seen firsthand what divisions do to keep us at the forefront of generating new knowledge of the highest quality. I have witnessed what members and leaders of CAS, a division of the American Chemical Society, and ACS Publications do to ensure our global position in chemistry information dissemination. And I have

seen the increasing global interest in ACS membership. I will continue to support and work to enhance these efforts.

When I ran for the Board three years ago I promised to focus on jobs for our members. To that end I was appointed to the Presidential Task Force on U.S. Employment of Chemists and worked with my fellow members to develop actions that can help our colleagues secure employment in the field that they love. Whether they are mid-career colleagues looking for a new position or younger colleagues looking for their first position the ACS must be attentive to their needs. It was reported (C&EN, Dec. 12/19, page 41) that the unemployment rate for chemists was 2.6% in 2016 down from 3.1% in 2015 which is great progress, unless you are unemployed. It was also reported that 12.3% of new chemistry graduates were unemployed based on late 2015 and early 2016 data. Clearly there is still more to be done and I will continue to devote my energy to this critical issue.

Our Society is in the process of reconsidering its national governance approach. I Co-Chair a joint Board of Directors/Council Policy Committee task force charged with examining what we do, how we do it, what we do well and not so well, and what modifications might be useful. In my recent comment (C&EN Oct. 31, page 36) I noted that we are an inclusive and deliberative decision making Society living in a world in which information is immediately available to inform decision makers. I remain cognizant of the fact that the ACS is the preeminent scientific society in the world because of the dedicated members who devote countless hours to our Society. Any changes must reinforce continued member involvement in national governance because we are first and foremost a member Society. I commit to you to help our Society become more agile in its national governance approach while keeping member involvement and input at the forefront of the discussions.

As we look to the future we must ensure and articulate the value of ACS membership to our younger colleagues and our students. We must articulate the value of membership and participation to our supervisors and employers. We must articulate our opinion and the value of our opinion to our political leaders. I will continue to ensure that my time as a member of the Board of Directors does not focus on my personal projects, that disappear after I leave office, but rather on direction, tone, commitment and vision that members embrace and view as the future of our Society. We must be member focused, we must be effective in delivering our message, we must be efficient in our operations, and we must continually innovate and improve. We must build our community of members and what our Society provides for its members. To accomplish these goals we must ensure our financial stability. Our Society must be positioned for the future. I ask you to support me so that I can continue to serve our Society and represent you as your Director.