STUDENT UNION
UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
25 October 1973

Minutes of the Steering Committee of the Midwest Region of
American Chemical Society
(Subject to Approval)

The following members were present: See attached list.

Jack Landgrebe, the chairman, called the meeting to order and introduced
the three visitors from ACS Headquarters.

President A. Nixon discussed various recent actions by the ACS in the
employment area which have also been mentioned in C&EN. The ACS is looking
into the possibility of getting more heavily involved in an advisory capacity
to the legislative branch of the Federal Government. There is hope of
establishing individual chemistry advisors to every Senator and Representative.

The chairman then had those present introduce themselves. (Secretary did
not catch all names.)

The minutes were approved as corrected. (William Webb had been elected
Secretary not Chairman.)

Bob Wiley delivered Earl Bloomingdale's report and noted that the 1972
meeting broke even because the University of Missouri made up a deficit of
$284.87.

Bob then reported for himself that preliminary attendance figures were
244 ACS Members, 257 students, 80 exhibitors and 80 one day admission for a
total as of noon of 639.

KU had made available backup funds of $2400 in case of a loss and at that
point ~$600 would be required.

After considerable discussion the consensus seemed to be that the shortage
could be taken from the sinking fund. (Caskey, sec. Larsen, no dissent)

Wiley discussed Midwest Award. The St. Louis Section has supported the
Award to the extent of $2-300/yr in the past. There is a need to establish a
long term commitment. Layloff stated the actual cost ran to $1800-2000/yr.
He suggested contacting the St. Louis Section formally. It is safe to assume
that support will continue at least through next year. Boundaries now match
Conant Award Boundaries.
J. Bauman spoke about the lack of nominee's from Midwest Sections for the J. B. Conant Midwest Award and for the National Award. There were no nominees this year. It is a section responsibility to nominate and a Steering Committee responsibility to evaluate. Deadline this year is 1 January. Necessary forms have been sent out to the sections.

It was moved by J. Bauman to establish a three man Conant Award Committee from the Steering Committee with members having 3 year terms. Initial appointments are to be made by the Chairman for 1, 2 and 3 year terms and subsequent appointments will be filled by the Chairman as the need arises. The Chairman has the responsibility of notifying the National as to the membership and recommendations. Sec. by ?. Passed without dissent.

After considerable discussion of J. Landgrebe's concern that the upper level of the sinking fund should be raised to $5000, a motion to that effect was moved, seconded and passed. (This changes Working Rule #8.)

After even more discussion it was moved, seconded, and passed that "The Chairman of the Steering Committee shall not normally be Chairman of the Meeting occurring the same year." It was noted that the net effect of this motion was no change and it was up to the local section involved.

Chairman Landgrebe then turned to discussion of the motion:

In the event that the sinking fund falls below $1000, the assessment to participating local sections will be at the discretion of the Steering Committee in accordance with the annual subsidy from the A.C.S. to each local section. In the event that the sinking fund exceeds $5000 excess funds will be distributed to the participating local sections at the discretion of the Steering Committee and in proportion to the registration fees collected from persons attending the meeting from that section.

After Layloff moved to table and Wulfman seconded with motion passing it was noted that the main motion had not been made so Layloff and Wulfman proceeded to place the motion up so the tabling was valid. Tabling was to be until next meeting.

Jack Langrebe then turned discussion to future meetings. They are as listed.

1974 - University of Iowa, Iowa City, November 7, 8. Meeting Chairman, D. J. Pietryzk. Program Chairman, J. H. Hall

1975 - SIU - Carbondale, October 30-31, Meeting Chairman, J. H. Hall

1976 - KC-UMKC. Date not available nor chairman. Program CoChairmen, R. L. Venable and S. B. Hanna

1977 - UM-Rolla. Dates of October 5, 6, 7, or 24, 25, 26, or November 9, 10, 11 are under discussion with National. Meeting CoChairmen, R. L. Venable and S. B. Hanna
1978 - University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

1979 - St. Louis

Bill Webb was recognized for his attendance record and re-appointed Secretary.

A unanimous vote of commendation was then made to Ms. Dolores Phillips for her work on the Exhibits.

The meeting adjourned at 2:40.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

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Acting Secretary and
Representative Univ. of Mo.-Rolla