

Industrial Sponsors' Coordinating Committee Meeting

ACS National Meeting
Marriott Hotel, The American Grill
Anaheim, California
Wednesday, March 24, 1999, 7:00 AM

The Industrial Sponsors' Coordinating Committee met at the Marriott Hotel on Wednesday, March 24, 1999 at 7:00 AM in Anaheim, California.

Attendees:

Bill Daly
Mike Jaffe
Ray Ottenbrite
Tom Pacansky
Joe Salamone
Bob Stackman
Ed Vandenberg

The Committee discussed the **Minisymposium and Panel Discussion** to be held at the New Orleans ACS Meeting. The Minisymposium will be co-chaired by Mike Jaffe and Joe Salamone on "Does the Future of Polymer Research and Development Depend on Entrepreneurs?" The Symposium will be held on Tuesday, August 24, 1999, 2:00-5:00 PM followed by an invited social hour. Mike Jaffe will turn in the names of speakers to Warren Ford by May 1, 1999.

A Call for Nominations has been distributed for the "**Industrial Polymer Scientist Award**" to recognize achievement by industrial scientists. One nomination has been received to date by the Polymer Business Office. The deadline for nominations is July 31, 1999. After Richard Ikeda collects the nominations, he will turn them over to the Awards Committee (chaired by Alan English) for final selection.

Ed Vandenberg informed the committee that Lamonte Adams has completed his one-year term as **membership chair** for the committee. Members suggested that Ed Vandenberg contact Valery Shears from Iowa State University to see if she has an interest in serving as chair for the committee.

There was a discussion on the program for "**Improving the Public Perception of Polymers.**" Carl Wooten had difficulty in getting C & EN to publish an announcement for the program and suggested that the committee provide financial support for publicity. It was suggested that the Poly Newsletter and Web Site be considered as advertising options. Bob Stackman and Ed Vandenberg agreed to look for individuals to chair this program.

Planning for a **Minisymposium and Panel** Discussion for the Washington 2000 ACS Meeting was discussed. "Polymer Materials for the Next 21st Century" was suggested. Potential participants include Jim Economy, Alan Vogel, Paul Arjunan, and Asshrat Ahan. The program will be discussed further at the New Orleans ACS Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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