

Industrial Advisory Board (IAB) Committee Meeting
ACS National Meeting
Hilton New Orleans Riverside * Durham Room
April 8, 2008, 7:30 AM – 9:15 AM

Chair: Robert S. Moore, Kodak (Retired)
Vice Chair: Ann Salamone, Rochal Industries

In Attendance:

Sue Mecham, Polymer Solutions
Kathleen Havelka, Lubrizol
Erik Hagberg, Archer Daniels Midland
Wayne Ranbom, Arkema
Dana Garcia, Arkema
Karl Haider, Bayer Materials Research
Clay Bunyard, KCC
Peter Grasse, 3M
Erica Martin, Rohm and Haas
Christine Landry-Coltrain, Kodak
Douglas Robello, Eastman Kodak
Bill Daly, LSU
Michael Fevola, Johnson and Johnson
John Pochan, Cornell University
Lesia Linkous, Polymer Division Business Office

Chairman Moore opened the meeting and provided those in attendance with minutes from the Fall Boston 2007 IAB Meeting.

Motion: To approve the minutes from the IAB meeting of Fall 2007. Motion approved unanimously.

Moore welcomed those in attendance and provided informational slides and a program explaining the IAB Purpose, Function, Dues, Officers and Current Members.

Havelka and Salamone updated Members of sessions taking place which are supported by IAB for this Spring 2008 ACS meeting

Sessions

“Entrepreneurship in Polymers for Energy and the Environment” (chaired by Havelka, Grady, Smith and Zarras)

Havelka thanked the Board for its support for both this event as well as the Entrepreneurship event in San Francisco, and welcomed continued partnership in Washington DC for the topic on Globalization. The program is being developed now.

“Polymers for Remediation and the Environment” (chaired by Salamone and Kerbs)

Salamone is pleased to announce the Remediation event taking place Thursday afternoon and welcomed all to attend. Among the notable presenters are Erik Hagberg and Ken Miller. This is a co-sponsored event with the American Chemistry Council, the organization known for the current PR campaign to the general audience.

Awards and Sponsorship

The Student Travel Award sponsorship continues to make a positive impact on young scientists. IAB sponsors 2 \$500.00 awards twice a year. The purpose is to provide direction for future and current industrial awards by fostering graduate student involvement (through travel and presentation awards). Recipients at this meeting are Joseph Lott from Case Western Reserve University and Brian Long from University of Texas-Austin.

The 2008 Industrial Polymer Scientist Award will be presented at the Fall 2008 Meeting to recognize outstanding industrial innovation and creativity in the application of polymer science, conducted by individual scientists/research teams. The recipient will be presented with a plaque and the \$2,000.00 honorarium. The Board welcomed nominations for the award.

The Undergraduate Symposium continues to be a highly successful event at National Meetings, and Martin expressed her thanks for IAB's support and hopes that it will continue to stay active in this initiative.

Education

Salamone explained the details of IPEC: K-12 Education Programming. The purpose of IPEC is to: structure future educational initiatives relative to industrial hiring/continuing education needs, lead the polymer community with K-12 educational programs (IPEC) that the Board funds, and participate in PolyEd. Through Polymer Ambassadors (base of professionals that work with teachers), over 60 thousand teachers and students have been reached so far.

David Bott, Robert S. Moore, Ann Salamone, and Ken Wynne will be organizing the next PSOET in Washington D.C. Emphasis will be placed on polymers and global energy, environment impact of polymers in global energy and transportation. The target audience is for K-12 science teachers as well as ACS Scientists.

ACS Program Format

IAB plans to move Board meetings to Tuesday to better accommodate the ACS Meeting Schedule. This Motion was approved unanimously.

ACS Multi Disciplinary Planning Committee is reviewing the format of the National ACS Meetings. Pochan indicates that emphasis is being placed on how talks are formatted, location of meetings, novel ideas for having a session, and reviewing location set-up. Daly provided that ACS may make Thursday an optional day for programming, so creating an optional setting for Thursday is something that the Polymer Division should consider. Martin and Moore added that this is an opportunity to review areas of programming, like poster sessions, which have seen some neglect in recent years. Landry-Coltrain and Robella agreed that working to find creative Thursday options rather than eliminating the optional Thursday programming is a great way to lead new initiatives.

Company Presentations

Wayne Ranbom, Arkema

Douglas Robello, Eastman Kodak

The event adjourned at 9:30 AM

Respectfully submitted, Lesia Linkous