

**APS Exec/Fac Conference Call
December 19, 2005 – 9:00 AM CT**

Present: Jim M., Ray M., John A., Randy R., Jan L., Danise B., Steve N., Barb M., Marci S,
Absent: Tom E., Allison T., Wayne W, Rose G., Erik S.,

1. **Quebec Meeting:** Reviewed and discussed new rates and pricing options; **Motion: Staff open up a multi-currency account at Wells Fargo and also buy \$150,000 in Canadian currency at the current exchange rate** – vote called; passed unanimously

-preference on the lower cost rooms to be given to students and postdocs and to include those groups with bus passes as part of the room cost.

Motion: approve buy-down plan (APS contributes \$50,000 to this) including rate structure and bus passes for the university facilities – as “lower cost” rooms – vote called; passed unanimously

-Jan will communicate on the scheduled conference call with the officers of the CPS and MSA our plan and that APS alone is taking the financial responsibility for this meeting

2. **Midyear plans – 2006:** Dates are February 22-25, 2006 meeting 2 full days (Feb. 23 & 24) and ½ day the morning of the 25th; approx. 8-11. Departures should be in the afternoon that day.

-Marci to send schedule from 05 to John for review

Invitees: Doug Jardine, Margo and other EIC's not on council, Stella Coakley or Jacque Fletcher (PPB), George Lackhoff; Berkeley, ??; Madison, and ?? from the public policy branch of the Am. Chemical Society

-We will cover their transportation and meals but no honorarium.

Focus topics:

I. Connecting effectively with the public (OPAЕ)

II. Journals Issues

-updates from staff on back-issues and Atypon, etc.

-update from Rowe committee

-update on status of F&N and B&C

-tropical ag journal; PMN Strategic Advisory Board - possibly inviting Dennis Gross?

-update from Rose on APS Press

III. Financial Strategic Planning

-Barb M. with Erik and Randy

-need to request updates as part of call for midyear reports

Need a written report from the centennial committee, more discussion and a plan from them.

-John will invite Cleo to midyear

-need to engage undergrads and grad students; make meeting program more attractive to students

-more travel awards or advertise them more broadly

-highlight meeting content specifically for students and undergrads

-educate faculty

-under grad poster competition

-establish a separate undergrad registration fee

Planned focus of the leadership forum in Quebec is Volunteerism; helping them work more effectively and efficiently

The next scheduled call is January 10, 2006 at 9:00 AM CT

Call adjourned