

## Industrial Sponsors' Coordinating Committee Meeting

ACS National Meeting  
Westin Hotel, The Huntington Restaurant  
August 26, 1998, 7:00 a.m.  
Boston, MA

### Attendees:

LaMonte Adams  
Mike Jaffe  
Tom Pacansky  
Joe Salamone  
Bob Stackman  
Carl Wooten  
Ed Vandenberg

The Industrial Sponsors' Coordinating Committee met at the Westin Hotel on Wednesday, August 26, 1998 at 7:00 a.m. in Boston, MA.

The Committee discussed the minisymposium held on "Opportunities in Industry - A Younger Scientist Perspective," organized by LaMonte Adams and Kathleen Havelka. The symposium had approximately 35 in attendance throughout the evening. Six of the 28 Industrial Affiliate Representatives attended the Business Meeting that followed the minisymposium.

Stackman gave an update to the committee on the financial account of the Industrial Research Sponsors'. Pacansky suggested sending an invitation to the Industrial Research Sponsors' to join the Polymer Division.

The committee discussed the next minisymposium to be held in New Orleans for Fall 1999. Mike Jaffe and Joe Salamone agreed to co-chair the symposium with the proposed topic of **"Does the Future of Polymer Research and Development Depend on Entrepreneurs"**. Jaffe and Salamone will confirm the title of the symposium and length before the next ACS National meeting in Anaheim, CA. They may also consider presenting the symposium as a "free workshop" on Saturday, instead of the traditional Monday evening minisymposium. Contributions may be solicited to support speaker travel expenses. Stackman suggested the PRF grant could be considered if the presentations are held as part of a workshop. Speakers giving presentations will not be required to contribute a paper for the Polymer Preprints.

Stackman solicited input on the "Industrial Polymer Scientist Award" which will be established to recognize achievement by industrial scientists. After the proposal is finalized he will present it to the Polymer Executive Committee at the November or January meeting for approval. The award will include a \$2,000 honorarium and travel expenses to an ACS meeting which would include a symposium in honor of the awardee plus a lecture (1 hr.) by the awardee. The award will be presented at the Poly Awards Banquet. Nominations may be solicited in 1999 and the 1st award presented in Spring 2000.

Wooten agreed to collect proposals for the grant on "Improving the Public Perception of Polymers". Stackman gave Wooten one proposal which was submitted.

Adams requested committee members e-mail him with any potential new Sponsors.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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