

# Association of Consulting Chemists & Chemical Engineers, Inc.

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## MEETING NOTES February 23, 2023

*Key issues are summarized below. Each principal provided inputs. The meeting was free flowing since we are still in transition and there are new lessons learned on tasks to be done. This report tracks the Agenda.*

### INTRODUCTION

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#### **NEWSLETTER : Richard Goodman**

It was agreed that the immediate past president would take on the task of writing the newsletter [4x per years]. Thus, Richard Goodman would be the first person in this role. He would be followed by Al Sagarese in 2025. Joe Porcelli and Al Sagarese recommended that MS Publisher be dropped since it is more powerful than ACCCE needs, plus the software is complex to use and relatively expensive. Steve Duerr maintains a list of those who have paid for the ads. Richard is happy to organize and supply a WORD document of all the articles, the proposed schedule of events and confer with Steve on whose ads are to be included. Lori Powers will take the WORD docs and put it into the overall format, including all the ads, the logo, etc.

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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#### **FINANCE: Steve Duerr**

Bookkeeping is reconciled to bank statements through 1/16/23. No bills have been paid because no bills have been received. All expected ads have been paid. There remains 5 members who have not paid their dues. If their \$375 dues are paid, then our income will be very close to our budgeted expenses. Should the \$375/each not be paid, then our income will be only \$500 less than our budgeted expenses. Steve was on holiday at the time of the meeting and subsequently provided this input.

#### **MEMBERSHIP: Heather Wahab**

Heather was not present; therefore, Al Sagarese has outlined a few initial thoughts.

- 1] Ask those at the meeting to provide Lori Powers [our admin person] with at least 3 to 10+ names and emails so that we can ask them to join ACCCE.
- 2] There would be no membership costs for 12 months. We ask only a \$25 fee to add their profiles on the website.
- 3] We would come up with 'reasons' for joining and benefits of belonging to a 100-year-old organization [e.g., collaborating on projects, giving talks to the membership, etc.]

Dick Schauer has done a great job. He has moved on and is helping Heather in her transition.

#### **LINKED-IN: Marvin deTar**

The ACCCE Linked-In site is getting some attention. Linked-In runs analytics on the number of times the website is contacted by other Linked-In users. This past month there were 17 desktop visitors and 2 mobile visitors. Also, this month 95 contacts to the website were made. I will

post all the speakers programs that the ACCCE is doing and provide links to the ACCCE Zoom speakers programs so more viewers can see the programs.

**PROGRAMSS: John Fetzer**

Presentations are planned for March and May. Greg Mehos will be speaking on Storage and Flow of Bulk Solids at 7 pm Eastern on March 28th. [See New Business below]. Marvin De Tar is presenting a talk on consulting that he is first delivering to the Cleveland local ACS. For later talks, the idea of helping other consultants is a likely topic, which might bring in new members.

**NEW BUSINESS**

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**PRESENTATION: Greg Mehos.**

This presentation on March 28<sup>th</sup> at 700 pm est will be hosted by Greg using his ZOOM and MAC. He has over 5,000 Linked-In followers, which he will advise of the meeting. He needs to coordinate with Marvin [~500 Linked-In contacts] and with Lori Powers, who has about 100 new names on Constant Contact as well as current ACCCE members. The format of the announcement will track prior announcements.

**OTHER**

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David Manuta mentioned that Ohio is a major industrial hub. Railroads and highways densities are among the highest in the entire country. These factors should continue to spur new assignments for both new and older consultants. More to follow.

**NEW BUSINESS**

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NEXT BOARD MEETING is set for March 21<sup>st</sup> at 700 pm est.