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1. NOMINATIONS ARE SOUGHT FOR THE 2009 ELECTION

In the Fall 2009 DIC election, which will be held in November 2009, the following offices will be filled:

- CHAIR-ELECT
- SECRETARY-ELECT
- CHAIR-ELECT, BIOINORGANIC SUBDIVISION
- CHAIR-ELECT, NANOSCIENCE SUBDIVISION
- CHAIR-ELECT, ORGANOMETALLIC SUBDIVISION
- CHAIR-ELECT, SOLID STATE SUBDIVISION
- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER AT LARGE
- COUNCILOR (1)
- ALTERNATE COUNCILOR (1)

2. MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR – Susan Kauzlarich

I'd like to thank the past Chair, Kristin Bowman-James for her outstanding leadership and as I start my year as the current chair, thank everyone who was willing to run for a position on the executive committee. We have a broad participation in the ACS governance and the division provides many important services to our inorganic community; your willingness to donate your time for this service is greatly appreciated. I enjoyed my first duty as division chair at the Salt Lake City spring ACS meeting, running the awards symposium. It was an outstanding program and extremely well attended.

With the current economy, we have been receiving a large number of requests for funding of non-ACS meetings and symposia. We have now instituted a process for requesting funding and will consider requests two times per year, at the spring and fall ACS National Meetings. A form can be obtained from the chair and is due March 1 or August 1 for consideration at the Spring or Fall Executive Committee meeting, respectively. As we optimize this process, we plan to put the form on the web, so that it will be more easily accessible. The form will be available at <http://www.acsdic.org/symposia.htm>.

I thank those of you who nominated candidates for the Young Investigator Award. This year's group was extremely impressive with highly competitive candidates and outstanding letters of recommendation. We hope that you will all come to the symposium in Washington DC. We have a number of awards and the division has been extremely active this year, as you will see from the Newsletter.

I'd like to thank Debbie Crans for an excellent program in Salt Lake City. This will be her last as the Western Program Chair. It was altogether excellent, with a number of exciting and well-attended symposia. Please join me in wishing Debbie the best and thanking her for her 10 years of service to the DIC! Bernadette Donovan-Merkert is organizing the Washington DC meeting and will become the spring Program Chair. Joining on as Program Chair for 2010 is Michelle Millar, SUNY Stony Brook, and she will be the fall Program Chair. Of course, we also have enjoyed a great deal of help from Donna Nelson (Oklahoma) and we thank her for her contributions to the Nanoscience programming. Stan Wong has agreed to take on this service for the next 3 years. As always, I encourage you to consider organizing a symposium and please

send your suggestions, along with the meeting that you would prefer to our chair-elect, Ann Walker.

We are always looking for people willing to run for the offices of the executive committee, for the election that occurs each fall. Please feel free to email our chair-elect, Ann Walker, with suggestions for the committee. I am looking forward to an exciting year, working together with the executive committee, to be of service to the inorganic community.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR-ELECT – Ann Walker

It is an honor to serve in the position of chair-elect for the Division, and I look forward to a productive year during which I will get to know the responsibilities of this position and to work with the chair, Susan Kauzlarich. I plan to continue the spirit of inclusiveness and to work with the other Divisions to put on cross-cutting symposia. Additionally, I plan to continue many of the innovative processes such as the awards committee to oversee the awards such as student travel and the Young Investigator awards. I encourage all of you to consider other ways in which the Division can help support, encourage, and facilitate young scientists in their chosen career paths.

I strongly encourage you to propose a symposium, along with one or more other organizers, especially those which might work well in the context of the larger ACS meeting (see email and form (14 – page 11)). Topics that lend themselves to either small (1.5 day) or large (more than 2 days) symposia or topics that you would like to see in a cross-cutting symposium with other Divisions. Please forward your suggestions for any topics that you feel are important for the Division, for proposals and possible organizers for symposia, and candidates for the next election process for the Division Executive committee. I look forward to serving you during the next two years.

4. MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY – Mike Scott

Members and nonmembers may find information and news from the Division of Inorganic Chemistry at the DIC website (<http://www.acsdic.org>) We have recently posted a new membership form for the convenience of those wishing to join the DIC. The first year of membership is free!

Email is the primary means by which the DIC corresponds with its members. Thus, members are encouraged to maintain current e-mail addresses in their ACS profiles. These profiles are used to generate the regularly updated email lists that the Secretary receives from the ACS. Members may view and edit their ACS profiles by logging in at www.chemistry.org. Current division and subdivision memberships may also be confirmed in the member's profile at this site. The DIC email list is confidential, and is used only to convey DIC news, announce DIC elections, and to inform members of upcoming meetings, and award and funding opportunities. This email list will never be provided to third parties, such as commercial advertisers.

DIC members may belong to one or more DIC subdivisions (at no additional cost). **One must be a subdivision member to vote in subdivision elections.** Subdivision membership can be changed or specified by calling the ACS at 800-333-9511, or by emailing the ACS at service@acs.org, with a request that the appropriate subdivision code(s) be added to one's membership record. All such requests must be accompanied by a membership number. The codes for the subdivisions are:

Bioinorganic	I17
Nanoscience	J17
Organometallic	H17
Solid State and Materials	G17

Finally, the blue books of meeting abstracts are no longer mailed. Instead, DIC members may obtain meeting abstracts by logging in at www.chemistry.org, and following the “Inorganic Chemistry” and then “Abstract Separates” links near the middle of the corresponding webpages. The abstracts for the current meetings will also be posted on the division website prior to the meeting.

5. MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER – Ken Klabunde

The Division of Inorganic Chemistry is financially in good shape, and there are numerous symposia that the Division is supporting. Indeed, the Division members are active in organizing symposia, nominating appropriate people for awards, and nominating students for travel awards.

As of March 1, the account balance was \$322,000, plus deposits of \$99,000 for our portion of ACS dues, plus about \$5,000 in donations. About \$20,000 was spent on symposia for Salt Lake City, and about \$20,000 is planned for Washington DC symposia. Also, many requests are being made for the Pacificchem Meeting in December of 2010.

Regarding dues for the Division:

- (1) Regular members of the Inorganic Division, first year free, after that \$12/year.
- (2) Students, first year free, after that, \$6/year.
- (3) Emeritus members, free.
- (4) Affiliate Members (non-ACS members), \$14/year.

We do not distinguish between student and student affiliate members. We will hold these dues the same for 2010.

II. Proposal for the Executive Committee to Vote on at the Washington DC meeting.

Reimbursement for Travel of Certain Officers:

Although it is expected that officers will seek travel funds from other sources as appropriate, the Division of Inorganic Chemistry will fund the following officers as noted below:

- (1) Chair, fully
- (2) Chair-Elect, up to \$1000
- (3) Program Chairs, fully
- (4) Treasurer, fully
- (5) Secretary, fully
- (6) Membership Committee Chair, up to \$1000
- (7) DIC Award Co-Chairs, up to \$1000 each
- (8) Sub-Division Chairs, up to \$1000

Note: Under certain circumstances, the Chair-Elect may receive additional travel funds, if required. Also, the checks for the Treasurer's reimbursement will be signed by the Chair of the Division.

6. NEWS FROM THE SOLID STATE SUBDIVISION – Barbara A. Reisner

The Solid State and Materials Chemistry Subdivision is pleased to announce that this year's recipient of the 2009 ExxonMobil Solid State Chemistry Faculty Fellowship is Prof. Svilen Bobev from the University of Delaware. He is the 30th awardee of this Fellowship and he will be honored at an award symposium at the upcoming ACS Meeting in Washington DC.

In addition to the ExxonMobil Award Symposium, special symposia on *Synthesis and Applications of Intermetallic Compounds* and *On the Mechanisms of Formation of Nanoparticles* will be of interest to the community. The DIC Young Investigator Symposium will also include the work of several outstanding young investigators that is of interest to solid state and materials chemists.

The call for nominations for the 2010 ExxonMobil Faculty Fellowship in Solid State Chemistry will be this September. Please note that the nomination deadline will be moving to January (from March). Inquiries about the 2010 competition can be directed to the subdivision chair-elect, Stephanie Brock (sbrock@chem.wayne.edu).

7. MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAM CHAIRS – Debbie Crans, Bernadette Donovan-Merkert, Michelle Millar, and Donna Nelson

The ACS is replacing the OASYS system for meeting abstract submission with the Program and Abstract Creation System (PACS). PACS is the new online abstract submission system and will be used for the 239th National Meeting in San Francisco, CA. OASYS will still be available for the Washington, DC meeting.

PACS is used by ACS authors, program chairs, and symposium organizers to view, edit, and prepare abstracts within a single system for ACS meeting publications, including the following:

- * CD of abstracts
- * Web abstracts (Personal Scheduler)
- * Preliminary program
- * Technical program
- * Onsite program booklet

New features include single sign-on and the ability to view all your abstract submissions for the meeting using your ACS ID. The PACS system will be open on August 24, 2009 for abstract submission for the San Francisco ACS meeting and the deadline for abstract submission will be in mid-October.

8. MESSAGE FROM THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR – Zi-Ling (Ben) Xue

There will be a change regarding ACS Student Affiliates. They will become Student Members in June 2009 per an amendment of the ACS bylaws last year. In the future, a person actively working toward an undergraduate degree in chemistry or in a related field of natural science, engineering, technology, or science education is welcomed as a student member. The change is intended to make ACS a more inclusive Society. The benefits for student members will remain the same. Current Student Affiliate chapters will continue as Student Member Chapters and their activities on campus will be led by a faculty advisor. It should be noted that student members are undergraduate students, and graduate students are full regular members of the Society.

Student affiliates who will become student members in June will be offered free DIC (Division of Inorganic Chemistry) membership for one year. All other undergraduate students who become members will receive the offer during the standard application process. In fact, all

first time ACS members are offered free DIC membership for one year. (Afterwards the DIC membership fee is \$6 per year for both undergraduate and graduate students and \$12 for regular members. Graduate students also receive a 50% discount on the ACS membership dues.)

I encourage you to help recruit DIC members, especially student members. As you know, benefits for DIC members include access to meeting abstracts, eligibility for Division awards, participation in DIC elections, and opportunities to join four DIC subdivisions (Bioinorganic, Organometallic, Solid-State and Materials, and Nanoscience) at no additional cost. Details are at the DIC website: <http://www.acsdic.org>

DIC Young Investigator Symposium and Student Travel Award Program are two particular awards for DIC members. The Symposium is an annual event at the Fall ACS national meetings and requires nominations. "The candidates must be enrolled as graduate students or hold positions as postdoctoral fellows (academia, industry or government lab), and be no more than one year beyond completion of the Ph.D. at the time of the nomination." For the 2009 Symposium in Washington, DC, in August, "there will be a total of 8 speakers, and each will give a 30-minute presentation. The DIC will provide a \$1000 honorarium for each speaker and a plaque to commemorate her/his participation in the event."

The Student Travel Award is a semiannual program. The awards (up to \$800 per individual) support both undergraduate and graduate students to present research talks or posters at Spring and Fall ACS National Meetings.

At the recent 2009 Spring ACS National Meeting in Salt Lake City, I had an opportunity representing DIC to recruit undergraduate student members at Graduate School Recruiting Events. These were Networking Social (Sunday, March 22, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm) and the Recruiting Breakfast (Monday, 8:00 to 10:00 am). Nearly 25 undergraduate student affiliates signed for DIC membership. Some other students picked the signup sheets to consider the membership. If you have suggestions or comments, please contact me at xue@utk.edu or 865-974-3443 (office).

9. CONGRATULATIONS TO DIC AWARD WINNERS

The Division of Inorganic Chemistry is pleased to acknowledge the following inorganic chemists who will be receiving DIC awards in Washington DC:

2009 Inorganic Nanoscience Award

From a pool of talented and distinguished candidates, a selection committee has chosen Charles M. Lieber, the Mark Hyman Professor of Chemistry at Harvard University, as the winner of the 2009 Inorganic Nanoscience Award, presented by the ACS Division of Inorganic Chemistry, to honor excellent research. The award is sponsored by the University of South Carolina NanoCenter.

Lieber's lab has pioneered the synthesis of a broad range of nanoscale inorganic materials, the characterization of the unique physical properties of these materials and the development of methods of hierarchical organization of semiconducting nanoscale wires, together with the demonstration of applications of these materials in nanoelectronics, nanocomputing, nanophotonics, renewable energy, biological and chemical sensing, and neurobiology.

Prof. Lieber will receive the award, which consists of a plaque and \$3,000, at the ACS national meeting in Washington.

2009 ExxonMobil Solid State Chemistry Faculty Fellowship

Svilen Bobev, an assistant professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at the University of Delaware, will receive the 2009 ExxonMobil Solid State Chemistry Faculty Fellowship at the ACS National Meeting in Washington DC in August 2009. The award, administered by the ACS Division of Inorganic Chemistry is made possible by generous support from the ExxonMobil Foundation, and recognizes significant contributions to solid state chemistry by an untenured faculty member at a U.S. institution.

Bobev received B.S. and M.S. degrees in Chemistry from the University of Sofia in Bulgaria. Under the direction of Slavi Sevov, he earned a Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of Notre Dame in Indiana in 2002. For his postdoctoral work, Bobev chose the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico, where he was a recipient of the prestigious Director's Fellowship and worked at both the Manuel Lujan Jr. Neutron Scattering Center (LANSCE) with Alan Hurd and at the Condensed Matter and Thermal Physics Group (MPA) with John Sarrao. As a postdoctoral fellow, Bobev also worked with Susan Kauzlarich of the University of California, Davis as a junior scientist awardee of the Institute for Complex Adaptive Matter (ICAM). In 2004, Bobev began his academic career as an Assistant Professor at the University of Delaware. He is also the recipient of the 2009 Margaret C. Etter Early Career Award of the American Crystallographic Association.

Bobev's research focuses on important issues related to the understanding of the relationship between composition, structure, and electronic structure in complex intermetallic compounds. His work provides valuable insights into the principles governing the structure and the physical properties of these materials. While investigating the structural relationships and magnetism in compounds of the lanthanide elements, Bobev and his coworkers have discovered numerous new materials. Bobev's group has recently begun a project on the development of new intermetallic systems for thermoelectric applications because they believe that a breakthrough can be achieved by bringing together the desirable heat and charge transport properties of semiconductors and the magnetism and the correlated electron behavior of the *d*- and *f*-elements.

Colleagues describe Bobev as having tremendous creativity and productivity. They comment on his exceptional synthetic high-temperature chemistry skills and his deep understanding of the interconnections between structure and properties.

A symposium in honor of Bobev's award will take place at the Fall 2009 ACS National Meeting and will feature talks by Bobev, Mercuri Kanatzidis (Northwestern University), Susan Kauzlarich (University of California, Davis), Arthur Mar (University of Alberta), Gordon Miller (Iowa State University), and Slavi Sevov (University of Notre Dame).

10. CONGRATULATIONS TO DIC MEMBERS ELECTED AS ACS FELLOWS

The ACS Fellows Program was created by the Board of Directors in December 2008 "to recognize members of the American Chemical Society for outstanding achievements in and contributions to Science, the Profession, and the Society." Unlike ACS national awards, the distinguished honor of a Fellows designation will go to those who have distinguished themselves in multiple areas, including promoting the science, the profession, and service to the American Chemical Society. Ultimately, the body of Fellows is intended to reach approximately 1-2% of ACS membership.

We congratulate all of the members of the Inorganic Chemistry Division who were selected as part of the first class of ACS Fellows!

Daryle Busch	Charles Casey	Malcolm Chisholm	James Cowan
Debbie Crans	Glenn Crosby	Marcetta Darensbourg	Michael Doyle
Richard Eisenberg	John Fackler	John Gladysz	Harry Gray
Robert Grubbs	M. Frederick Hawthorne	Morton Hoffman	Catherine Hunt
Herbert Kaesz	R. Bruce King	Charles Lieber	Cynthia Maryanoff
Gerard Parkin	Thomas Rauchfuss	Robin Rogers	Edward Solomon

11. DIC STUDENT TRAVEL AWARDS WINNERS

Award Winners for the 2009 Spring ACS Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah

Student	Institution	Advisor
<i>Paul Barron</i>	University of Nebraska Lincoln	Wonyoung Choe
<i>Brenda Dougan</i>	University of Tennessee, Knoxville	Ziling (Ben) Xue
<i>William T. Eckenhoff</i>	Duquesne University	Tomislav Pintauer
<i>Jaime A. Flores</i>	University of Texas, Arlington	H. V. Rasika Dias
<i>Christopher E. Hamilton</i>	Rice University	Andrew R. Barron
<i>Zhen Huang</i>	University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign	Roman Boulatov
<i>Youngmin Kim</i>	Texas A&M University	Francois Gabbai
<i>Alan Kleiman-Schwarsstein</i>	University of California, Santa Barbara	Eric W. MacFarland
<i>Tianbiao Liu</i>	Texas A&M University	Marcetta Y. Darensbourg
<i>Elizabeth Montalvo</i>	University of California, Irvine	William J. Evans
<i>Debra J. Salmon</i>	University of Arizona	Katrina Miranda
<i>Robert D. Schmidt</i>	North Carolina State University	David A. Shultz
<i>Anthony P. Shaw</i>	Columbia University	Jack R. Norton
<i>Timothy Berto</i>	University of Michigan	Nicolai Lehnert
<i>Sumit Chakraborty</i>	University of Cincinnati	Hairong Guan
<i>Michael Kember</i>	Imperial College London	Charlotte K. Williams
<i>Leigh Anna Otley</i>	University of New Mexico	Richard Kemp & Timothy Boyle
<i>Kristie Ruddick</i>	University of Memphis	Charles Edwin Webster
<i>Jonathan Axtell</i>	Villanova University	Deanna Zubris
<i>Jill Davidson</i>	University of Vermont	Rory Waterman

Award Winners for the 2009 Fall ACS Meeting in Washington, DC

Student	Institution	Advisor
<i>Jennifer Chen</i>	University of Toronto	Geoffrey Ozin
<i>Jian Cui</i>	Texas Christian University	Robert Neilson
<i>Samuel Delp</i>	North Carolina St. University/University of VA	T. Brent Gunnoe
<i>Bennett Greenwood</i>	Brandeis University	Christine Thomas
<i>Amanda Hickman</i>	The University of Michigan	Melanie Sanford
<i>Ryan Holland</i>	University of California, San Diego	Joseph O'Connor
<i>Nicoleta Hurubeanu</i>	Dartmouth College	Russell Hughes

<i>Lawrence Keniley, Jr.</i>	Florida State University	Michael Shatruk
<i>Matthew McLaughlin</i>	University of Rochester	Patrick Holland
<i>Amanda Morris</i>	Johns Hopkins University	Gerald Meyer
<i>Riya Mukherjee</i>	Kent State University	Nicola Brasch
<i>Joseph Rivers</i>	The University of Texas, at Austin	Richard Jones
<i>Zhongliang Shen</i>	The University of Chicago	Richard Jordan
<i>Laura Whelan</i>	The University of Arizona	Dennis Lichtenberger
<i>Daoli Zhao</i>	University of Cincinnati	William Connick

DIC provides \$800 to each of the Travel Award winners to support their attendance at the national meeting. Please encourage students to apply! The deadlines are Jan. 15th for the Spring ACS National Meeting and June 15th for the Fall ACS National Meeting each year. Application information is posted at <http://www.acsdic.org/awards.htm>.

12. 2009 YOUNG INVESTIGATOR SYMPOSIUM

This DIC symposium honors talented young inorganic chemists, and provides a high-profile forum for them to present their research results. The fifth Young Investigator Symposium will be held on Sunday afternoon of the Fall 2009 ACS meeting in Washington DC. The 8 speakers listed below will each give a 30-minute presentation. The DIC will provide a \$1000 honorarium for each speaker and a plaque to commemorate her/his participation in the event.

Young Investigator	Title	Research Advisor
<i>Bennett R. Streit</i>	Mechanism and reactivity of the heme dependent enzyme chlorite dismutase	Prof. Jennifer L. DuBois <i>Notre Dame</i>
<i>Heather R. Lucas</i>	Insights into the primary copper(II) and copper(I) binding site of α -synuclein	Dr. Jennifer C. Lee <i>National Institutes of Health</i>
<i>Allon Hochbaum</i>	The chemistry and physics of thermoelectric nanowires	Prof. Peidong Yang <i>UC Berkeley</i>
<i>Brandi M. Cossairt</i>	Synthesis and reactivity studies of AsP ₃ and related tetrahedra	Prof. Christopher C. Cummins <i>MIT</i>
<i>Karen L. Mulfort</i>	Metal-organic frameworks as H ₂ storage materials: Implications of cation doping on uptake and binding	Prof. Joseph T. Hupp <i>Northwestern</i>
<i>Bozhi Tian</i>	Single nanowire photovoltaics	Prof. Charles M. Lieber <i>Harvard University</i>
<i>Pingwu Du</i>	Visible light-driven hydrogen production from water using platinum(II) polypyridyl complexes	Prof. Richard Eisenberg <i>University of Rochester</i>
<i>Jennifer I. L. Chen</i>	Amplified photochemistry with slow photons	Prof. Geoffrey A. Ozin <i>University of Toronto</i>

13. MEETINGS AND SYMPOSIA

Washington DC Meeting - August 16-21, 2009

Special Inorganic Symposia

Young Investigator Symposium

Sunday, August 18, 2009

Synthesis and Applications of Intermetallic Compounds

Organizers: Julia Y. Chan, Raymond E. Schaak, and Arnold M. Guloy

Monday and Tuesday, August 18 & 19

The New Faces of Biomimetic Coordination Chemistry

Organizer: Patrick L. Holland

Monday, August 17, 2009

Inorganic Nanoscience Award Symposium

Award Winner: Prof. Charles Lieber

Organizer: Stanislaus S. Wong

Tuesday, August 18, 2009

ExxonMobil Solid State Chemistry Faculty Fellow Award Symposium

Award Winner: Prof. Svilen Bobev

Organizer: Barbara A. Reisner

Tuesday, August 18, 2009

Symposia Co-sponsored by the Division of Inorganic Chemistry

Sunday, August 16, 2009

Metal-Containing and Metallo-Supramolecular Polymers and Materials

Sponsored by: POLY

Cosponsored by: COLL, INOR, ORGN, PMSE, and GLOBAL

Monday, August 17, 2009

Interacting with the U.S. National Science Foundation

Sponsored by: INOR

Cosponsored by: ANYL, BIOL, CATL, CHED, COMP, ENVR, FLUO, FUEL, GEOC, ORGN, YCC, CARB, and GLOBAL

Tuesday, August 18, 2009

Probe Development in Molecular Imaging and Therapy

Sponsored by: INOR

Cosponsored by: NUCL

Sensing and Destroying Chemical Warfare Agents and Pesticides

Sponsored by: INOR

Cosponsored by: GLOBAL

Wednesday, August 19, 2009

Applications of Crystal Structure Information in Chemical Education

Sponsored by: CINF

Cosponsored by: CHED, INOR, and YCC

Probe Development in Molecular Imaging and Therapy

Continuation from Tuesday

14. SYMPOSIUM TOPICS

I would like to suggest the following symposium topic(s) (and organizers) for Symposia in the Division of Inorganic Chemistry for ACS National Meetings in the year 2011.

Topic:

Organizer (please print):

Phone:

E-mail:

Fall or Spring Meeting 2011:

Email your suggestions to Ann Walker at dicsymposia@acsdic.org

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