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Society of Flavor Chemists Business Meeting Minutes Marriott Newark Liberty International Airport May 9, 2019

The 441st meeting of the Society of Flavor Chemists, Inc. Business Meeting was held at the Marriott Newark Liberty International Airport in Newark, NJ. The meeting was called to order by President Sam Tharpe at 4:46 PM EST.

I. Silent Tribute

President Sam Tharpe conducted a moment of silence for the members who passed away this year.

- Jacobo Fastag Katz – July 12, 2018
- Peter J. Mazeiko – August 10, 2018
- Roger H. Trumm – March 29, 2019

II. Acceptance of the minutes of the previous meeting

A tally of certified and emeritus members was conducted and quorum was achieved. Sam T. asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the April 2019 Business Meeting as previously distributed to membership. The minutes were accepted and seconded.

III. Board of Directors Reports

- 1. Secretary: Chris Williams**
No report

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2. **Treasurer:** *Paul Ricciardi*
 - a. Approximately 28 members are still unpaid for their 2019 dues, and if you haven't paid, please do so soon or you will be dropped. See attached April 2019 Treasurer's Report.
3. **Vice President:** *Elsa Howerth*

No report
4. **President:** *Sam Tharpe*
 - a. Sam thanked membership and the board for their support. Education and scholarship will continue to be at the forefront of the society and he encouraged members to get involved in committees.
5. **Chairman:** *Lisa Vaughn*
 - a. Website updates are in discussion and a Website Workshop at Kerry will be held in May. The goal is to have an update and present to membership at the September meeting.

IV. Committee Reports

1. **Audit Committee:** *Paul Ricciardi for Dieter Bauer*

No report
2. **By-Laws Committee:** *Dolf DeRovira*
 - a. Dolf is going to review the by-laws with the committee and work on updating them with current terminology because they need a modernization update.

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3. **History Committee:** *Sam Tharpe for Ronnie McBurnie*
No report.
4. **Library Committee:** *Sam Tharpe for Aaron Graham*
No report
5. **Media Committee:** *Sam Tharpe for Shane McDonald*
No report
6. **Meeting Committees**
 - a. Arrangements Committee: *Deborah Osborne*
 - i. The contracts for the 2020 meetings are being finalized and these meeting dates will be sent out to allow membership sufficient time to make hotel and meeting registration arrangements.
 - b. East Coast Program: *Sam Tharpe for Scott Michaluk*
No report
 - c. Chicago Program: *Justin Kozlowski*
 - i. The Chicago meeting will be on September 12 with speakers from Nexira and Ingredion to discuss creating stable beverage emulsions and a speaker on LECO GCMS as a tool to increase shelf life in flavors.
 - d. Cincinnati Program: *Sam Tharpe for Michael Weller & David Wolfenberger*
No report

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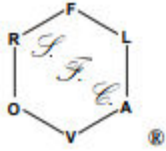
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- e. West Coast Program: *Sam Tharpe for Louise Bone*
No report
7. **Membership Committee**: *Dana Chen for Cathianne Leonardi*
- a. 4 new candidates were on the ballot for voting and were elected.
 - Hedy Kulka spoke on behalf of Katie Beaver (McCormick) – Certified
 - Dolf DeRovira spoke on behalf of Jose Silveira (Flavor Dynamics) – Certified
 - Melis Cakirer (Firmenich) – Certified
 - Dolf DeRovira spoke on behalf of Shelly Kung (Symrise) – Certified
8. **Recognition Committee**: *Sam Tharpe for Mary Foster*
- a. Symposium gifts have been ordered and additional gifts are being evaluated.
9. **Scholarship Committee**: *Bill Choudhury*
- a. Brianne Linne, the 2019 Jaggard Scholarship recipient spoke last month at the Cincinnati meeting.
 - b. Zhuzhu Wang, the 2019 Jogue Scholarship recipient, will speak at tonight's dinner meeting.
10. **Symposium Committee** – *Justin Kozlowski*
- a. The symposium will be held in Princeton, NJ, October 16-17, 2019 at the Hyatt Regency. The program has a great list of speakers and topics which will directly benefit flavorists. Sponsorship opportunities are available and the benefits and costs are listed on the website.

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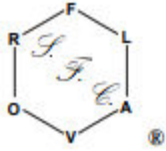
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11. Website Committee – Terry Miesle

- a. The 2020 meeting schedule will be added to the website with hotel and registration information this summer. Terry welcomed Chris Wulff and Glenn Kraemer to the committee.

V. Unfinished Business – Sam Tharpe
None

VI. New Business – Sam Tharpe

- a. A proposal from the floor was suggested that volunteers assist with testing throughout the year, not just at the meetings, to alleviate the wait time and decrease the waiting list. This is a great idea and it will be added to the board agenda for the September meeting to discuss.

VIII. Nominating Committee – Lisa Vaughn

- a. The slate of officers for 2019-2020 was presented:
 - Sam Tharpe for Chairman
 - Elsa Howerth for President
 - Paul Ricciardi for Vice-President
 - Chris Williams for Secretary (2nd term)
 - Cathianne Leonardi for Treasurer (1st term)

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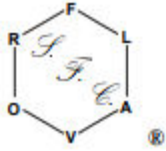
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IX. Election of Officers – Sam Tharpe

- a. The slate of officers for 2019-2020 was presented and the new Treasurer, Cathianne Leonardi was presented for voting. Inspectors of Election were Dolf DeRovira and Deborah Osborne and reported all in favor.
- b. Chairman Lisa Vaughn gave outgoing President Sam Tharpe a plaque for his service. Sam gave a short speech of gratitude to the board and the committees. He then passed the gavel to incoming President, Elsa Howerth.
- c. Newly-elected President Elsa Howerth spoke about her background and beginnings in the flavor industry and her involvement in the Society. She then explained the current state of our finances. We are solvent, but our funds are depleting due to increasing operating costs. Her goal as president is to ensure the sustainability of the Society. She would like to propose a dues increase as the current annual dues of \$75 is outdated. This will help maintain the purpose of our organization which are education and fellowship through our meetings and charity through our scholarships. We do have our flavor symposium which is our only fund raiser that would additionally help our finances for the next five years. So to do this, the by-laws regarding the dues will need to be changed and the by-laws committee will prepare the proposed change. The first reading will be in September and the second reading and voting will be at the symposium in October if everything can be completed in time. Elsa then presented the committee chairpersons continuing on to the new term. Highlighted were Menzie Clarke and Dana Chen who will be co-chairing the Membership Committee, Terry Miesle and Bill Aslanides who will be stepping down from

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the Website Committee sometime after the symposium, and Shane McDonald who will be vacating the Media chairperson position after summer.

X. Adjournment

President Elsa Howerth adjourned the meeting at 5:32 PM EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Williams
SFC Secretary 2018-2020

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