



Society of Flavor Chemists Business Meeting (#466) Minutes April 11, 2024

The General Business Meeting (#466) of the Society of Flavor Chemists was held at the Oasis Golf Club and Conference Center in Loveland, OH and virtually on the ZOOM platform. The meeting was called to order by President Bill Aslanides @ 4:32 p.m. EST

Quorum was satisfied.

I. Approval of meeting minutes – Bill Aslanides

1. Approval of the minutes of the January 18, 2024 General Business Meeting

- a. Bill Aslanides asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the January 18, 2024 General Business Meeting as submitted. Motion seconded and Minutes approved.

II. Presentation of Candidates for voting - Membership Committee

- a. Ashley has 8 candidates put forward for voting.
- b. Richelle Yacon- Embassy Ingredients – Apprentice
 - i. Angel Wong spoke on her behalf.
- c. Roxanne Diedrich- Trilogy Flavor- Upgrade to certified
 - i. Steve Askew spoke on her behalf.
- d. Ron Mancenido- Flavorchem- Apprentice

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- i. Lauren Hammerschmidt spoke on his behalf.
- e. Cindy Kelly- Flavor Producers- Apprentice
 - i. David *Wolfenberger* spoke on her behalf.
- f. Victoria Dorkoski- T. Hasegawa- Direct to Certified
 - i. Ibrahima Faye spoke on her behalf.
- g. Minh Nguyen- Sensapure Flavors- Apprentice
 - i. Scott Zimmerman, Doug Gledhill, and Doris Sasaki spoke on his behalf.
- h. Ruby Mendoza Huertero- Gold Coast Ingredients Inc. – Apprentice
 - i. Ken Chu spoke on her behalf.
- i. Joshua Jackson- Sensient Flavors- Apprentice
 - i. Darrel Terry spoke on his behalf
- j. Voting took place and all candidates were accepted. Congratulations to all!

III. Board of Directors Reports

1. Secretary: Scott Michaluk

- a. NO REPORT

2. Treasurer:

- a. Beginning of the year 52,789 currently 89307. A lot is due to the dues coming in.
- b. Still a few are outstanding, but overall most are paid.

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- c. We are reaching out for sponsorships for symposium. This really helps keeps us going for 5 years.
- d. Thank you to all our sponsors so far. We are about half of where we want to be. Please help by asking your companies to sponsor this very important event.
- e. Report for 1/1/24 – 3/31/24
 - \$70,650.47 Checking balance
 - \$18,102.14 Savings
 - \$555.18 PayPal
 - TOTAL STARTING BALANCE = \$52,789.68
 - TOTAL INCOME: \$59,435.82
 - TOTAL EXPENSES \$22,917.71
 - CLOSING FINAL TOTAL = \$89,307.79

3. Vice President: *Justin Kozlowski*

- a. Calendar for 2024 and 2025
 - i. Upcoming may meeting in Newark NJ. May 9th
 - ii. Sept 25, 2024 NJ meeting on Wednesday before Gala
 - iii. Oct 21-23 Symposium in Cincinnati
 - iv. November 14th CSA/Naffs joint venture
 - v. January 16th 2025 California
 - vi. February 20th 2025 in Philadelphia
 - vii. Joint meeting with BSF in March
 - viii. April 10th 2025 back in Cincinnati

4. President: *Bill Aslanides*

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- a. January meeting was great, but really hoping for more local attendance. Please try and encourage local Flavorists and friends of the society to attend meetings.
- b. New Orleans meeting was wonderful. Shared with NAFFS and CSA where we actually made money. In the room there was more than just flavorists and had a really good impact on them. We should try to encourage attendance regardless of membership.
- c. Great traction with SHI. Beginning the process of digitization of old documents.
- d. Scholarship recipients. Jaggard is starting to run low from the estate. Looks like we will need to self fund this if it is to carry on.
- e. We are going to increase due to \$300 for 2025. Expenses have increased a lot and we need to continue to keep meetings going on. This will be the official notice and we will follow up in 2025 with dues increase.

5. Chairman: *Cathianne Leonardi*

- a. Proposed slate for 2024-2025
 - i. Bill Aslanides Chair, Justin Kozlowski President, Scott Michaluk Vice President, Marissa Pasky Treasurer (year 2), Jennifer Tartaglia Secretary (year 1)

IV. Committee Reports

1. Arrangements Committee: *Chris Williams*

- a. No Report

2. Assistant Secretary: *Elsa Howerth*

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- a. 7 people will receive 25 year pin. Please come and support your friends at the May meeting.

3. Audit Committee: *Paul Ricciardi (not in attendance)*

- a. No Report

4. By-Laws Committee: *Mariano Gascon (not in attendance)*

- a. No Report

5. History Committee: *Sharon Tortola*

- a. Digitization has begun as of April 5th at SHI.

6. Library Committee: *Sam Tharpe*

- a. Sits on board of directors at SHI. Collection of books are there. They will be able to be researched in the future.
- b. Sam invites anyone that would like to help or sponsor a book to grab a card or reach out to Sam.
- c. They are preserving our history and there is an opportunity for oral histories as well.
- d. There are also a number of free events that occur at SHI and all are welcome to attend.

7. Media Committee: *Alison Freedman (not in attendance)*

- a. NO REPORT

8. Meeting Committees

- a. **Chicago Program:** *Lauren Hammerschmidt & Greg Griffin (not in attendance)*

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b. **Midwest Program:** *Dave Wolfenberger, Katie Crowley*

i. Thanks to Dave! Please help Katie out. Please reach out to Katie to help out the Midwest committee

c. **East Coast Program:** *Kim Bendickson (not in attendance)*

i. Next meeting invite coming out Monday. Please be on the lookout for it.

d. **West Coast Program:** *Jay Harris (not in attendance)*

i. NO REPORT

9. **Membership Committee:** *Aparna Oak & Ashley Rizzo*

a. No Report

10. **Nominating Committee:** *Cathianne Leonardi*

a. Please see Chairperson's report

11. **Sponsorship Committee:** *Cathianne Leonardi*

a. No Report

12. **Recognition Committee:** *Mary Robertson (not in attendance)*

a. Actively buying pin and awards.

13. **Scholarship Committee:** *Bill on behalf of Megan Nolan (not in attendance)*

a. The winners of the Jogue and Jaggard Scholarship have been selected.

i. Jaggard scholarship recipient is Stephanie Almiquist.

ii. Jogue winner will present at May meeting.

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14. Sponsorship Committee:

- a. Looking for a new lead of this committee

15. Symposium Committee: *John Baughman (not in attendance)*

- a. Biweekly meeting. Events being nailed down. Looking for sponsors.
- b. Pre-symposium event the night before at the hotel.
- c. Lot of people are helping out. Doing a good job keeping an eye on everything!

16. Website Committee: *Elsa Howerth*

- a. Keep track of dues. Relates to the website. We had 40 members that were unpaid, and a reminder went out and there are still about 18 that haven't paid.
- b. We only send 3 reminders before they are put on the drop list. If you are one of the 18 please pay your dues.
- c. Third reminder to go out in another week which will be the last reminder.

V. Unfinished Business – Bill Aslanides

- a. NONE

VI. New Business – Bill Aslanides

- a. Sign up before the deadlines for these meetings. We need accurate counts for food, staff, etc. May meeting notice due out shortly.

VII. Adjournment

- a. President Bill Aslanides thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 5:34 P.M. EST

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Respectfully submitted,

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SFC Secretary 2022 – 2024

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