

REPORT FROM NERACS

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The Board of Directors of the Northeast Region of the ACS, Inc., (NERACS) met in San Francisco, CA, on Tuesday, August 12, 2014, on the occasion of the ACS national meeting. In attendance were Richard Cobb (Rochester), Chair; Willem Leenstra (Green Mountain), Vice Chair; Christopher Masi (Central Massachusetts); Wayne Jones (Binghamton), Treasurer; and representatives from all the local sections (except Penn-York) within NERACS: Binghamton, Central Massachusetts, Central New York, Connecticut Valley, Cornell, Corning, Eastern New York, Green Mountain, Maine, Mid-Hudson, New Haven, Northeastern, Northern New York, Rhode Island, Rochester, Western Connecticut, Western New York.

NERACS elections were held; Anthony Noce (Eastern New York) and Wayne Jones were elected Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, for two-year terms in 2015-16.

The final report of NERM 2013 in New Haven was accepted. No NERM is scheduled for 2014; NERM 2015 will take place at Ithaca College on Wednesday-Saturday, June 10-13, with the Cornell Local Section as the host. The proposal from the Binghamton Local Section to host NERM 2016 on Wednesday-Saturday, October 5-8, at the Binghamton Downtown Center was accepted. The Western New York Local Section indicated its desire to host NERM 2018 in Niagara Falls, NY, and both the Maine and Rhode Island Local Sections mentioned their interest to hold NERM 2019 in Portland or Providence, respectively. The Rochester Local Section has its eye on the 2020 meeting.

Because no NERM or Middle Atlantic Regional Meeting (MARM) is scheduled for 2017, a discussion was held with representatives from the ACS Office of International Activities about the possibility of holding an AtlantiChem meeting that year with European, Canadian, and Latin American chemical societies analogous to PacifiChem.

The next annual meeting of the NERACS Board will take place at NERM 2015.