

A G E N D A

Executive Committee Meeting
10:30 A.M., Thursday, June 3, 1943
Assembly Room 4-M, The Waldorf-Astoria Hotel
Park and Lexington Avenues, New York City

- I. Minutes of Meeting
- II. Treasurer's Report
- III. Business Conditions Report No. 43
- IV. Annual Meeting and Union Dinner - Charles S. Munson
- V. Request of Association of American Railroads to Tank Car Owners for information on cost of operation.
 1. Question at issue appears to be a reduction in the $1\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ mileage allowance.
- VI. Office of Price Administration
- VII. Manpower Shortage in the Chemical Industry
 1. Conference with L. A. Appley, May 25
- VIII. Miscellaneous

WARREN N. WATSON

Secretary

The regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Manufacturing Chemists' Association of the United States was held in Assembly Room 4-M, The Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City, on Thursday, June 3, 1943, at 10:30 A.M.

The following members were present:

Messrs. Lamnot du Pont, Chairman
L. T. Feale
Charles Belknap
H. L. Derby
C. F. Hosford, Jr.
H.O.C. Ingraham
August Kochs
C. D. Marlatt
J. W. McLaughlin
George W. Merck
Charles S. Munson
Warren N. Watson, Secretary

Absent: E. M. Allen
R. H. Dunham
T. P. Walker
H. I. Young

I. MINUTES OF MEETING

The minutes of the May meeting were duly approved as sent to the members.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

1. The audit of Phagan, Tillison and Tremble of the Treasurer's books for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1943 was reviewed, and

On motion, duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That the report be accepted and placed on file.

The report shows an excess of income over expenditures for the year ending May 31, 1943 of \$5,019.94. Total budget appropriations for the year 1942-43 were \$33,700.00 and expenditures totaled \$31,267.34, leaving the underexpended balance at \$2,432.66. Surplus funds totaled \$22,561.21 on May 31, 1943.

2. At the suggestion of the Chairman, the Secretary was requested to send a list of assessments for the present fiscal year to each member of the Executive Committee.

III. BUSINESS CONDITIONS REPORT NO. 43

Business Conditions Report No. 43 was reviewed.

IV. ANNUAL MEETING

The arrangements for the Annual Meeting and the Union Dinner were reviewed by Mr. Charles Munson, Chairman of the Program Committee.

Mr. H.O.C. Ingraham, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, submitted a report of that committee which will be presented at the Annual Meeting for action.

V. ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS' REQUEST TO TANK CAR OWNERS

The Committee was advised that on May 10 the American Association of Railroads sent a detailed questionnaire covering costs of operation to private tank car owners.

It appears that the objective is to reduce the $1\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per mile allowance to owners of private tank cars. It is estimated that the chemical industry now receives a million and a half dollars per year mileage allowance, which, according to our detailed study, in about 1934 was far below the actual cost of maintenance and operation. The M.C.A. Tank Car Advisory Committee will meet in New York on June 4 to consider this question. It may be decided to send out a cost questionnaire in order that we can compile our own operating cost data for appropriate submittal.

The issue may be decided by the Association of American Railroads by July 1, consequently expedition is necessary if we are to assemble our data for presentation of the case. The Tank Car Advisory Committee was therefore authorized to proceed in the handling of this case; however, the summarized costs are to be presented to the Executive Committee as soon as assembled and before presentation to the Association of American Railroads.

VI. OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION

Problems arising from shortage of chemical personnel in the O.P.A. were reviewed, and in response to their request for additional men to serve with them, efforts are to be undertaken to locate appropriate individuals.

VII. MANPOWER SHORTAGE IN THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

On May 25 a conference was held with Mr. L. A. Appley, Executive Director of the War Manpower Commission, which included Mr. August Richard, Lt. Col. W. F. Sterling, Lt. Comdr. R. B. Colgate, and Mr. J. W. Reynolds, Deputy Director of the Chemicals Division of the WPB, and Mr. W. N. Watson, to consider the recommendations submitted from the Chemical Advisory Committee for relief on the manpower shortage in the chemical industry.

Mr. Appley has requested his staff to study the situation and report to him in about ten days. The Committee will be advised of any decision taken by the War Manpower Commission.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Technical Committees

a. The appointment of Mr. L. L. Hedgepeth of the Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company to membership on the Poisonous Articles and Miscellaneous Packages Committee and the Metal Barrels and Drums Committee was approved.

b. Following the resignation of Mr. H. W. MacArthur, Chairman of the M.C.A. Traffic Committee, Mr. C. H. Beard, Vice-Chairman, automatically becomes chairman of the Traffic Committee for the remainder of Mr. MacArthur's term ending December 31, 1943. Mr. Beard's appointment as chairman of the Traffic Committee was accordingly approved.

2. Association Of British Chemical Manufacturers. A letter from the Association of British Chemical Manufacturers concerning patents was referred to the M.C.A. Patent Committee for consideration and recommendations for action.

3. Frank McDonough. Mr. Derby mentioned that notice had been sent to member executives concerning the passing of Mr. Frank McDonough, President of the New York Quinine and Chemical Works, Inc. General services will be held on June 4. Secretary Watson was authorized to send an appropriate resolution to the company and to Mr. McDonough's family.

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There being no further business before the meeting, it was

On motion, duly made and seconded

VOTED: To Adjourn.

Adjourned accordingly.

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Approved

Chairman

WARREN N. WATSON

Secretary

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