

MINUTES of the sixty-second meeting of the Directors of the Manufacturing Chemists' Association, Inc., held at the Union Club, New York City, on September 11, 1956, at 11:00 a.m. (EDT).

There were present:

Messrs.	John E. Caskey	R. C. McCurdy
	D. W. Drummond	John E. McKeen
	Fred J. Emmerich	George L. Parkhurst
	Joseph Fistere	John A. Sargent
	A. E. Forster	Robert B. Semple
	D. S. Frederick	H. Greville Smith
	John L. Gillis	Kenneth C. Towe
	R. K. Gottshall	William H. Ward
	John A. Hill	Robert I. Wishnick
	John E. Hull	M. F. Crass, Jr.
	Harry B. McClure	

Alternates: Max A. Minnig (for Robert I. Wishnick)
Thomas E. Moffitt (for R. L. Murray)
Charles S. Munson (for John A. Hill)
James G. Park (for O. V. Tracy)
P. C. Reilly (for C. B. Edwards)
George M. Walker (for Fred C. Foy)

Present by Invitation: A. E. Albright, Jr. - Stauffer Chemical Company
(luncheon only)
William P. Gage - Grace Chemical Research &
Development Co. (luncheon only)
Walter S. Guthmann - Ringwood Chemical Corporation
Marx Leva - Fowler, Leva, Hawes & Symington
F. J. O'Connell - Allied Chemical & Dye Corporation
(luncheon only)
Hans Stauffer - Stauffer Chemical Company

After calling the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. (EDT), Chairman Gillis welcomed the guests and invited them to participate in the discussion.

I. MINUTES OF MEETING.

The Minutes of the July 31, 1956, meeting were duly approved as submitted to the members.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT.

(a) Financial Report, June - August 1956. The financial report for the three months ending August 31, 1956, was reviewed, and

ON MOTION duly made and seconded, it was

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

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(b) Membership Fees. The Treasurer reported that there were five delinquent members as of September 1. These firms have been contacted either by telephone or by letter. The total amount outstanding approximates \$14,000.

III. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

(a) Death of James J. Kerrigan. A report of the untimely death on September 5 of James J. Kerrigan, former MCA Director, was received by those present with deep regret. A testimonial statement, suitably bound in a leather folder, was read by the Secretary and unanimously adopted by a rising vote, after which the testimonial was signed by the individual Directors present. This will be delivered to Mrs. Kerrigan and a signed copy transmitted to the Officers of Merck & Co., Inc. A copy of the text is attached to these Minutes.

(b) Appointment of Alternates. The Chairman advised that the following Board members have requested the appointment of alternates:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Alternate and Company</u>
William P. Drake	Lee H. Clark, Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company
D. S. Frederick	F. O. Haas, Rohm & Haas Company
John A. Sargent	Raymond F. Evans, Diamond Alkali Company
H. Greville Smith	W. T. D. Ross, Canadian Industries Limited
William H. Ward	David H. Dawson, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That all appointments be approved.

(c) Membership Committee. It was reported that applications had been received from the following and that, in the opinion of the Membership Committee, all are qualified for membership under the Association's By-Laws:

National Research Corporation
Purocaine, Inc.
J. R. Simplot Company, Fertilizer and
Mining Division

ON MOTION duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That the applications be approved subject to the 30-day notification to members provided under Article III, Section 4, of the By-Laws.

(d) October 19 Board Meeting in Houston, Texas. The Secretary reported that the Texas Chemical Council staff were well along with their arrangements for the Houston, Texas, meeting in their capacity as host organization. Headquarters hotel will be The Shamrock, and adequate room reservations will be available beginning on the morning of the 18th. On that day a luncheon, golf, reception, and dinner have been arranged. On Friday, October 19, the Executive Committee will meet at 8:30 a.m., and the Directors, members of TCC, and guests will meet for

the regular Board meeting at 10:30 a.m. This meeting will be followed by cocktails and luncheon. The afternoon will be devoted to a series of plant visitation trips, starting in the Houston Area and finishing up at Freeport, where those present will be entertained at dinner by The Dow Chemical Company. On Saturday, the 20th, tickets will be available for the football game which will be played at Houston between Rice and Southern Methodist Universities.

Approximately 50 member firms have operating facilities within the State of Texas, and letters will be dispatched shortly to the Executive Contacts of these firms, inviting each to send a representative to the meeting. Letters will also be sent to the Directors, asking them to indicate the entertainment events in which they are interested.

(e) November Directors' Meeting. Because of the fact that the 6th Semi-Annual Meeting has been scheduled for November 20 in New York City, it was agreed that the Executive Committee and Directors' meetings would be held the preceding day. Full information concerning time and place of these meetings will be dispatched in due course.

(f) Membership Directory. Copies of the revised 1956-57 printed listing of Officers, Directors, Committees, and Members were handed to those present.

IV. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS.

The Board of Directors approved the following Committee appointments:

- (a) General Safety Committee.
G. L. Gorbell, Monsanto Chemical Company, as Chairman.
S. F. Spence, American Cyanamid Company, as Vice Chairman.
- (b) International Trade and Tariff Committee.
William J. Quinn, Merck & Co., Inc., replacing John J. Horan.
- (c) Tank Car Committee.
William Odinotski, Shawinigan Chemicals Limited, replacing C. K. Lockwood.
- (d) Education ad hoc committee.
William H. Ward, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., as Chairman.
Bromwell Ault, Interchemical Corporation.
R. B. Fiske, American Cyanamid Company.
R. K. Gottshall, Atlas Powder Company.
Walter S. Guthmann, Ringwood Chemical Corporation.
Kenneth H. Hannan, Union Carbide and Carbon Corporation
O. V. Tracy, Enjay Company, Inc.
Ex officio: Marx Leva (Counsel).
Cleveland Lane (Secretary of committee).

V. STAFF REPORT -- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

(a) Education Program. The President reviewed the progress made to date with respect to the enlarged educational program, including contacts with educators and consultants, plans for facilities and staff, and the excellent national publicity which has been accorded this project by press media. He also reported receipt of a substantial amount of correspondence evincing interest in the program. Those present pointed out the necessity of coordination of effort with other organizations engaged in similar activities. Further, that the membership be kept advised periodically of progress made. The Treasurer reported that invoices had been sent out to those member firms which had previously pledged financial support to the program for fiscal 1956-57.

(b) Chemical Progress Week. The Chairman pointed out that the American Institute of Chemical Engineers will celebrate its 50th Anniversary in 1958. That organization has suggested to MCA that in case a 1958 CPW is held that consideration be given to the theme "chemical engineering progress in the United States." Mr. Semple stated that the Public Relations Policy Committee would give consideration to this suggestion during its study of the entire CPW question as it relates to future years.

(c) International Labor Organization. The Secretary reported informally on the ILO experts meeting which he attended during August in Geneva. Results of the meeting and decisions made were generally favorable to the positions advocated by the U. S. on the many technical details considered. The list of approximately 200 dangerous substances adopted and the labeling and textual treatment accorded each were generally in keeping with requirements of the Interstate Commerce Commission for U. S. shipments. The MCA precautionary labeling scheme was endorsed and much of its content adopted for ultimate use by the ILO on a world-wide distribution basis. Further, because of the fact that the U. S. is the only nation which has chemical safety data sheets available (through MCA), the ILO office was requested to proceed with the compilation of summaries based upon the MCA system for printing and distribution to its 80-odd member countries. In this effort, ILO will lean heavily upon, and look for guidance to, MCA.

(d) National Fire Protection Association. General Hull discussed a memorandum from the MCA General Safety Committee, requesting Association consideration of increased financial support to the National Fire Protection Association. This consideration was requested in view of the increased attention being given by our Committee to fire hazard problems and the development of a fire protection code for the entire industry.

At the present time approximately 75 MCA members belong to NFPA, a few of them making substantial annual contributions. NFPA does not have a corporate dues structure, however, and the membership fee, either corporate or individual is set at the nominal figure of \$12.50 per year. As a result, most of our member firms pay only nominal amounts. It was further pointed out that a number of other trade organizations make annual contributions to NFPA in amounts exceeding the MCA current annual contribution of \$100.

During the discussion, it was again the consensus of those present that the Association should not deviate from its traditional practice of not contributing to outside organizations. Recognizing the importance of the NFPA program, however, the staff was authorized to dispatch letters to the Executive Contacts of member firms calling their attention to the importance of the NFPA program and urging individual members to increase their annual contributions to that organization.

(e) 6th Semi-Annual Meeting, November 20. Mr. Hans Stauffer, Chairman of the holdover Program Committee, stated that progress had been made and that a meeting of his Committee would be held immediately following luncheon to finalize the program.

(f) Chemical Safety Data Sheet SD-64, Lead Oxides. Those present were handed copies of this new Chemical Safety Data Sheet.

(g) Tank Car Mileage Allowance. The Secretary reported that, although formal announcement had not been made, our Traffic Committee had received assurance from the railroads that its request for an increased tank car mileage allowance had been granted. Details will be finalized within the next month or so. Estimated savings to MCA members alone range between \$3 million and \$4 million per year.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the staff transmit to the Traffic Committee the appreciation and commendation of the Board of Directors for this constructive and successful effort on behalf of the chemical industry.

(h) Safety Awards Granted MCA. For the third successive year, the National Safety Council has selected MCA to receive its Associations Award for the excellence of its over-all safety program. This award will be presented at the national meeting of the NSC in Chicago during October.

A second award, that of the American Society of Association Executives, will be presented to MCA in New York City on September 20. This award is presented annually to a major trade association, whose income exceeds the sum of \$150,000 per year, on the basis of service to members, the industry, and the general public. The MCA entry in this case was also based on the general safety program.

ON MOTION duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: That the commendation of the Directors be expressed to the members of the MCA General Safety Committee for their valuable contributions as evidenced by the foregoing awards.

(i) Foreign Trade Hearings. A special subcommittee of the House Ways and Means Committee will hold hearings in Washington during the period September 17 - 28 to receive testimony on the adequacy of present laws relating to customs,

tariff, and foreign economic policy. Headed by Representative Boggs, the subcommittee has invited organizations from many interested industries to testify. Following discussion, the Board affirmed a recommendation of the International Trade and Tariff Committee that MCA participate jointly in the hearings with SOCMA. Draft of the testimony to be presented under this joint arrangement will be cleared with the Executive Committee prior to delivery.

(j) Recruitment of College Personnel. In accordance with a prior request of the Board of Directors, the Industrial Relations Advisory Committee gave lengthy consideration to college recruitment practices, and, following the preparation of several drafts, a statement of policy was cleared by Counsel and circularized to the Directors on August 24. Mr. F. J. O'Connell, Chairman of the Industrial Relations Advisory Committee, appeared before the Board at luncheon and presented the subject in detail. After conclusion of Mr. O'Connell's remarks, the matter was discussed generally at some length, and a consensus was established that the Board endorse the statement in principle, recognizing that many changes in text would undoubtedly have to be made in order to obtain the concurrence of college placement officials and other interested industry organizations. It was agreed that, because of the importance of the subject to industry, the matter not be retained as an exclusive MCA activity, but that efforts be made to obtain general interest and sponsorship. Our Committee will discuss the statement with other industry organizations and with the Association of College Placement Officials, and will proceed to arrange a panel presentation on the subject at the 6th Semi-Annual Meeting to be held on November 20, 1956.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was unanimously resolved to adjourn.

M. F. Crass, Jr.
Secretary

APPROVED: John L. Gillis
Chairman

Attachment

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Text of testimonial statement unanimously adopted by a rising vote by the Board of Directors, Manufacturing Chemists' Association, Inc., on September 11, 1956:

It was with deep sorrow and a sense of profound loss that the Directors of the Association learned of the passing, on September 5, 1956, of their respected friend and associate, James J. Kerrigan. He had appeared cheerful and confident at the 84th Annual MCA Meeting on June 7, and during the summer months had actively progressed with members of the staff certain Association matters in which he was interested. His death, therefore, came as a shock to his MCA associates, since he had never admitted to them the serious nature of his ailment.

Jim Kerrigan's life and career constitute a testimonial to the American tradition and a reaffirmation to youth of the opportunities inherent under free enterprise and our republican form of government. Of humble beginnings, his inherent ability, initiative, and high personal character carried him to a pinnacle of industrial leadership. His was the success story which has typified America for generations. He utilized this personal success in helping to improve the lot of his fellow men through scientific, charitable, educational, and religious endeavors.

Holding a place of prominence in the chemical and drug industries, Jim Kerrigan was in a position to be of substantive aid to his country and to his fellow citizens. He made the most of this opportunity. His contributions and achievements were manifold and far-reaching, bringing him citations from his Government and honors from many sources, including his church. Accolades such as these merely spurred him on to further endeavors.

In all of his manifold activities and contacts, however, he retained the humility of spirit which endeared him to his associates and commanded their respect. He was a kindly and spiritual man, with deep understanding and warmth of heart. He has left to his associates a rich heritage which should serve as a pattern to us all.

The Directors of the Manufacturing Chemists' Association take this means of expressing their sincere tribute to their friend and associate, and, by unanimous action, direct that this Resolution be forward to Mr. Kerrigan's family, with a copy to the Executive Officers of Merck & Co., Inc., as an expression of their sympathy and as a testimonial to his memory.

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