

Summary of the motions and key items discussed at the

SECOND 2001 COUNCIL MEETING

MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA

for posting on the MSA Website

Attending:

Cornelis (Kase) Klein, President
William Carlson, Past-President
Rodney C. Ewing, Vice-president
James G. Blencoe, Treasurer
David M. Jenkins, Secretary
Michael A. Carpenter, Councillor
Sorena S. Sorensen, Councillor
David L. Bish, Councillor
Jeffrey E. Post, Councillor
Craig E. Manning, Councillor
Kathryn L. Nagy, Councillor
J. Alex Speer, MSA Executive Director

visitors:

Robert Dymek, Co-Editor, American Mineralogist
Lee Groat, Co-Editor, American Mineralogist
Paul Ribbe, RiMG Series Editor
Rachel Russell, Managing Editor, American Mineralogist
Peter Heaney, Meetings Coordinator
Robert Bodnar, Co-organizer of 11th Goldschmidt Conference

Note: Motions and council action items are presented in italics; SoC = Sense of Council, S = Second

The Second meeting of the 2001 Council of the Mineralogical Society of America was held in the Homestead Hotel, Hot Springs, Virginia, May 19, 2001.

ITEMS

1. Call to Order

Cornelis Klein called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM, Saturday, May 19, 2001

2. Executive Committee Actions:

(a) Dana Medal design: C. Klein presented the Dana Medal medallion to council.

(b) Mineralogical Record:

Conversations with Wendell Wilson at the Tucson Gem and Min. show have lead to an agreement whereby MSA and Min. Rec. will exchange 1/4-page ads, establish website links, display each others materials at shows, include a subscription option to the Min. Rec. on annual renewal forms, and will advertise their publications. The agreement is similar to the one made with Rocks & Minerals last year.

3. Reports with no action items or questions were accepted.

4. Secretary's report

S. Sorensen moved to accept the minutes of the 3rd 2000 Council Meeting, the 1st 2001 Council Meeting, and the MSA Business Meeting, as amended. S = M. Carpenter. Motion passed unanimously.

R. Ewing moved that the Secretary should place the main action items of council and the key topics under consideration, with the names and e-mail addresses of the appropriate contact person listed. S = S. Sorensen. Motion passed with 9 for, 1 against, and 0 abstentions.

5. Treasurer's Report.

Member and Institutional subscription rates to the Amer. Mineral. and member dues were discussed.:

K. Nagy moved to adopt the membership and subscription rates for 2002 as proposed by the Treasurer, which sets the 2002 membership dues at \$50 and membership subscription rate for the paper version of the American Mineralogist at \$35 (which includes on-line access to Amer. Mineral.). Student membership dues continue at \$5. Either regular or student members may gain access to the on-line version of the Amer. Mineral. for \$10 if they do not choose to receive the paper version. Institutional subscription rates will be \$530/yr for domestic and \$550/yr for foreign subscribers . S = S. Sorensen. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Report of the Committee on Committees

R. Ewing discussed the procedure by which the list of nominees for various committee membership and chairs was established. He noted that there was active

participation by all members of the Committee on Committees and that there were multiple rounds input from members via e-mail.

Society members interested in serving on committees are welcome to contact Vice President Ewing (rodewing@umich.edu) to express their interest in serving on the many committees of the society.

7. Report of the American Mineralogist Editors:

R. Dymek reported that the American Mineralogist is doing well. He requested names and suggestions for additional associate editors from members of council and introduced Lee Groat as the new co-editor.

The issue of printing in color was discussed.

8. MSA Representation on the IMA Organic Minerals working group:

Suggested representatives were discussed.

9. Short Course Committee:

It was suggested that contact information for organizers for future short courses be listed on the web along with the names of future short courses. This will be done when those web pages are updated in the next few weeks.

10. Third 2001 Council Meeting time and place:

It was agreed that the 3rd 2001 council meeting would be held Sunday, November 4, 2001, in conjunction with the GSA Meeting in Boston, Massachusetts.

11. Benefactor=s Committee:

12. On-line Manuscript Submission and Review:

R. Russell distributed a summary of what on-line manuscript submission and review involves, the costs, and a possible time-line for instigating this system for the Amer. Mineral..

Society members interested in the issue of on-line manuscript submission may contact Vice President Ewing (rodewing@umich.edu) as Publications Director or President Klein (cklein@unm.edu).

13. Handbook of Mineralogy:

C. Klein discussed a proposal from Dick Bideaux to establish web page links to the Handbook of Mineralogy (HM).

Society members interested in this issue should contact President Klein (cklein@unm.edu).

14. Reviews in Mineralogy and Geochemistry:

P. Ribbe reviewed the status of the RiMG volumes, noting that the Mineral Transformations volume was the first RiMG volume, the Sulfates book is now available, and that Jodi Roso was the series editor for Molecular Dynamics RiMG volume. P. Ribbe reviewed the up-coming RiMG volumes.

15. Electronic Publications:

R. Ewing proposed that an ad hoc Task Force be formulated to look at all of the issues surrounding electronic publication.

R. Ewing presented a progress report on efforts to join with the Min. Soc. of Great Britain and Ireland on co-publishing a journal on environmental mineralogy. An ad hoc committee was assembled with the MSA members of this committee consisting of R. Ewing, D. Bish, and J. Speer.

16. Meetings

(a) Financial support to IMA 2002:

J. Post moved that MSA make a contribution to IMA of \$10,000 with the intention that it be used for travel support and that MSA should be recognized as a co-sponsor of the IMA meeting in 2002. S = W. Carlson. Motion carried with 9 for, 2 against, and 0 abstentions.

(b) Welcome from R. Bodnar, co-organizer of the 11th Goldschmidt Conference:

(c) Meeting structure of the society:

K. Nagy moved that MSA should be affiliated with the Spring AGU meeting in 2002 and with the Clay Minerals Society in Spring 2003 if the 2003 Goldschmidt conference meeting in the Fall can not be changed. Furthermore, MSA should discuss with the Geochemical Society about holding joint meetings of the Goldschmidt Conference in the spring with meetings in North America at least every other year. S = D. Bish. Motion passed unanimously.

[Secretary's note: The colorful banners displayed later at the Goldschmidt conference advertising the 2003 Goldschmidt conference in Kurashiki, Japan, on Sept. 7 ó 12 suggest this meeting time is well established].

17. MSA Meetings Committee:

It was the SoC that Peter Heaney be given the authority to propose a slate of candidates to serve on the MSA Meetings Committee to council via e-mail and to propose term limits as well for these representatives.

Society members interested in MSA representation at the meetings of other societies are welcome to contact Peter Heaney, MSA Meetings Coordinator (heaney@geosc.psu.edu)

18. Short Courses

J. Speer provided updates on the status of some of the short courses to take place this year.

19. New business

C. Klein asked if there was any other new business. There was none.

20. Adjournment

D. Bish moved that the 2nd 2001 Council meeting be adjourned. S = J. Post. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

David M. Jenkins, MSA Secretary