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Minutes of the 2018 Annual Business Meeting

AOCS President Neil Widlak welcomed participants to the 109th AOCS annual business meeting on Sunday, May 5, 2018 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the 2017 Business meeting posted on the website. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as posted.

Widlak then delivered his retiring president's address indicating that the Governing Board spent much of 2017 developing a new strategic plan for AOCS. In doing so, the Governing Board reconsidered the mission of AOCS and, recognizing the importance of plant-based proteins, added "proteins" to the mission statement. Widlak then reviewed the three over-arching goals of the 2018-2020 Strategic Plan that include,

- **ADVANCE EXCELLENCE** to solidify AOCS' scientific and brand authority.
- **FOSTER ENGAGEMENT** to build a global, diverse, and connected member community.
- **FACILITATE TRANSFORMATION** by proactively identifying and advancing innovation.

The next order of business was the passing of the gavel. Widlak passed the AOCS gavel to incoming President Len Sidisky, and Sidisky presented Widlak with the Past President's key.

President Sidisky gave his incoming address to the membership. Sidisky discussed how he has personally benefits from being a member of AOCS stressing the importance of society in developing and sharing technical knowledge. Sidisky stated that a re-examination of how we deliver exceptional value to our members will be a central component of implementing the strategic plan.

Sidisky then introduced the Kaufmann Memorial Lecture Award in memory of Hans P. Kaufmann, ISF founder. Sidisky announced the recipient of this year's Kaufmann Memorial Lecture Award, Dr. Kazuo Miyashita from Hokkaido University in Japan.

Dr. Kazuo Miyashita delivered his lecture entitled, *Fish Oil Oxidation: What is the Problem?* Following the lecture, Sidisky presented Dr. Miyashita with a medal and certificate commemorating the occasion.

Sidisky invited Dr. James House, Professor and Head of the Department of Food and Human Nutritional Sciences at the University of Manitoba to present a lecture entitled, *Positioning Plant Proteins to Consumers: What Innovations are Needed Along the Value Chain?*

Following these lectures, Sidisky presented AOCS Fellow Awards to Rotimi Aluko, Professor in the Department of Food and Human Nutritional Sciences at the University of Manitoba, and the Assistant Director of the Richardson Centre for Functional Foods and Nutraceuticals; Nurhan Dunford, Professor in the Department of Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering at Oklahoma State University, and has a joint appointment with the Robert M. Kerr Food and Agricultural Product Center as an oil and oilseed specialist; Daniel K.Y. Solaiman, Research Molecular Biologist and Lead Scientist at the Eastern Regional

Research Center of the Agricultural Research Service, USDA; and Xuebing Xu, General Manager of Wilmar Global Research and Development Center, Shanghai, China.

Sidisky asked all AOCS Award winners to join him on stage to be acknowledged.

Sidisky then adjourned the meeting.