



**2014/2015 Division & Class Report
to the
ACerS Board of Directors**

Division/Class: Refractory Ceramics Division

Current Division/Class Officers:

Chair: Ben Markel
Vice-chair: Josh Pelletier
Secretary: Matthew Lambert
Counselor: Lou Trostel

Incoming Division Officers:

Note: RCD changes officers each March, so the people below will take office in **March 2016**.

Chair: Josh Pelletier
Vice-chair: Matthew Lambert
Secretary: Simon Leiderman
Counselor: Lou Trostel

Summary of Meetings and Activities Held/To Be Held (from Oct. 2014 through Oct. 2015):

Spring meeting March 2015 with St. Louis Section
May 2015 Conference Call
Division Leaders Conference Call, July 2015
August 2015 Conference Call
ACerS Board Meeting and ACerS Division Leaders Meeting, MS&T, October 2015

Use of Supplemental ACerS Funding (\$2500) to support student travel to UNITECR 2015

- Currently contacting faculty at several different universities to determine who is attending
- Promoting the grant money as available to these faculty/organizations for student travel
- Having difficulty finding any US-based faculty/students who were planning on attending
- Continuing to search for qualified candidates, including by using contact lists generated by other organizations (TRI, PSCA, Materials Advantage)

Future Planned Meetings/Activities (from Nov. 2015 – October 2016):

Spring meeting March 2016 with St. Louis Section
Quarterly Conference Calls with Executive Committee

New Initiatives/Opportunities:

Continued Sponsorship of PCSA and Materials Science Kits
Sponsorship of student travel to UNITECR 2015

Develop a Refractory Symposium for MS&T in a non-UNITECR year, in conjunction with AIST

Action Items for ACerS Board Consideration at October 3, 2015 meeting: None

Issues/Concerns: None

Additional Items of Note: None

Financial Statement: Attached

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