



**2017/2018 Division & Class Report
to the
ACerS Board of Directors**

Division/Class: Refractory Ceramics Division

Current Division/Class Officers: (complete as appropriate for your Division or Class)

Chair: Simon Leiderman
Vice-chair: Ashley Hampton
Secretary: Steven Ashlock
Trustee: Louis J. Trostel, Jr.
ACerS Board Liaison: Dana Goski
PCSA Representative: Phylis Makurunje

Incoming Division Officers: (complete as appropriate for your Division or Class)

Note: most Divisions change officers at the ACerS Annual Meeting in October (MS&T). If your Division changes officers at another time, please indicate when incoming officers will begin their terms: March 2019

Chair: Ashley Hampton
Vice-chair: Steven Ashlock
Secretary: Dawn Hill
Trustee: Louis J. Trostel, Jr.

Summary of Meetings and Activities Held/To Be Held (from Oct. 2017 through Oct. 2018):

November 2017 – St. Louis Section invitation to RCD for their annual fall meeting
Quarterly conference calls with ACerS division leaders
March 2018 – Annual Spring Meeting/Symposium with St. Louis Section
March 2018 – RCD Division Officers Meeting
March 2018 – Awards presented at annual meeting – T.J. Planje St. Louis Refractories Award and Alfred W. Allen Award
October 2018 – ACerS Board Meeting & ACerS Division Leaders Meeting, MS&T
October 2018 – Sponsorship of graduate students to MS&T from supplemental funds (\$2000)
October 2018 – MS&T 2018 Mini-Materials Camp

Future Planned Meetings/Activities (from Nov. 2018 – October 2019):

Quarterly conference calls with ACerS division leaders
November 2018 – St. Louis Section invitation to RCD for their annual fall meeting
March 2019 – RCD Division Officers Meeting & Annual Spring Meeting with St Louis Section
September/October 2019 – MS&T 2019 Mini-Materials Camp
September/October 2019 – ACerS Division Leaders Meeting at MS&T 2019

New Initiatives/Opportunities:

1. Jointly organize training seminars on refractory materials at both AIST May 2019 and MS&T 2019 with FIRE (Federation for International Refractory Research and Education). Projects to be spearheaded by RCD member James Hemrick.
2. Usage of annual budget and ACerS supplemental funds to purchase PCSA Materials Kits to distribute to school requested.
3. Usage of annual budget and ACerS supplemental funds to pay for GGRN fees.
4. Likely sponsorship of students to both MS&T 2019, UNITECR 2019 (Japan), and/or the St Louis Section/RCD Annual Symposium in March 2019.

Action Items for ACerS Board Consideration at October 13, 2018 meeting:

None

Issues/Concerns:

None

Additional Items of Note:

Financial Statement: (Including year-end summary of expenditures from the Division's Funds)

Attached.

Submitted By: A Hampton, Vice-Chair, Refractory Ceramics Division