



**2019/2020 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: Ashley Hampton  
Vice-chair: Steven Ashlock  
Secretary: Dawn Hill  
Program Chair: Kelley Wilkerson  
Trustee: Louis J. Trostel, Jr.  
Board of Directors Liaison: William Headrick  
PCSA Representative: Somnath Mandal; Archana Loganathan

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 2021

Chair: Steven Ashlock  
Vice-chair: Dawn Hill  
Secretary: Kelley Wilkerson  
Program Chair: Robert Hunter  
Trustee: Louis J. Trostel, Jr.

Summary of Meetings and Activities Held/To Be Held (from Oct. 2019 through Oct. 2020):

Quarterly conference calls with ACerS division leaders  
October 2019 – ACerS Board Meeting & ACerS Division Leaders Meeting, MS&T  
October 2019 – Sponsorship of students to MS&T from supplemental funds and annual budget  
March 2020 – Annual Spring Meeting/Symposium with St. Louis Section (canceled)  
March 2020 – RCD Division Officers Meeting (canceled)  
March 2020 – Awards presented at annual meeting: T.J. Planje St. Louis Refractories Award and Alfred W. Allen Award (canceled)  
March 2020 – Sponsorship of students to St Louis Symposium from supplemental funds (canceled)  
October 2020 – MS&T 2020 Joint Symposium with the Manufacturing Division (canceled)

Future Planned Meetings/Activities (from Nov. 2020 – October 2021):

Quarterly conference calls with ACerS division leaders  
March 2021 – RCD Division Officers Meeting & Annual Spring Meeting with St Louis Section  
September 2021 – UNITECR 2021 in Chicago, IL USA  
October 2021 – MS&T 2021 Mini-Materials Camp  
October 2021 – ACerS Division Leaders Meeting at MS&T 2021

New Initiatives/Opportunities:

UNITECR 2021 in Chicago, IL

Sponsorship of students to: St Louis/RCD Annual Symposium in March 2021, MS&T 2021, UNITECR 2021

Usage of annual budget and ACerS supplemental funding to purchase several of the PCSA Materials Science kits for RCD members to distribute in their local communities

Usage of annual budget to promote RCD during UNITECR 2021

Various volunteer opportunities for division officers/members during UNITECR 2021

Action Items for ACerS Board Consideration at October 2, 2020 virtual meeting:

None

Issues/Concerns:

None

Additional Items of Note:

With UNITECR 2021 being in Chicago, the RCD board and division will likely be helping the North American Executive UNITECR Board with various needs throughout 2020-2021 and brainstorming ideas to engage with students/young professional/colleagues

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

Attached.

Submitted By: A. Hampton, Chair, Refractory Ceramics Division