

by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council of the American Chemical Society, under authority of Bylaws III, VII, and VIII.

Secretary of the Council

# \*BYLAWS OF THE NORTH JERSEY SECTION, INC., OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

The North Jersey Section of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, under the authority of a charter granted July 22, 1925, and in accord with the various provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws of that SOCIETY, hereby adopts the following bylaws governing its conduct as a Section.

## Bylaw I Name

This organization shall be known as the North Jersey Section, Inc., (hereinafter called "Section"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the state of New Jersey as a corporation not for profit, of the American Chemical Society (hereinafter referred to as the "SOCIETY").

# Bylaw II Objects

As a Section of the SOCIETY, this organization is committed to the advancement of chemistry and the promotion of chemical research; as successor to the New Jersey Chemical Society, it retains that Society's devotion to the welfare of its members and to the advancement of chemical industry and chemical education within its jurisdiction, thereby fostering public welfare and education, aiding the development of our country's industries, and adding to the material prosperity and happiness of our people.

# Bylaw III Members, Affiliates, and Dues

<sup>\*</sup>Effective November 29, 2005. Approved, as amended, by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council of the American Chemical Society.

#### Section 1.

- a. The rolls of the Section shall include those MEMBERS and ASSOCIATE MEMBERS (hereinafter called "members") and Society Affiliates of the SOCIETY residing within the territory of the Section, provided that exceptions to this residency rule shall be made in conformity with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.
- b. The rolls of the Section shall also include Local Section Affiliates. An individual who is not eligible for SOCIETY membership may nevertheless be granted Local Section Affiliate status. The granting of such status may be by vote of the Executive Committee, or this action may be delegated by the Executive Committee to appropriate standing committees.
- c. Members, Society Affiliates, and Local Section Affiliates shall have such rights and privileges as are accorded them by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS may not serve as Councilors or Alternate Councilors but may hold other elective positions of the Section. Society Affiliates and Local Section Affiliates may not vote for or hold elective positions except in a Group organized primarily for affiliates; they may not vote on articles of incorporation or bylaws; and they may not serve as members of the Executive Committee.

#### Section 2. Dues.

- a. All members and Society Affiliates on the Section rolls may be assessed such annual Local Section dues as may be set by the Executive Committee.
- b. All Local Section Affiliates shall pay dues of at least \$2.00 per year as may be set by the Executive Committee.

## Section 3. Termination.

- a. Loss of membership or Society Affiliation in the SOCIETY for any cause shall entail removal from the Section rolls.
- b. Nonpayment of dues shall subject a Local Section Affiliate to loss of Local Section Affiliate status.
- c. By two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee, a Local Section Affiliate may be dropped from the Section rolls for cause other than nonpayment of dues, but only after the individual has been given opportunity to answer any charges that may have been brought.

# Bylaw IV Officers and Duties

#### Section 1. Officers.

The officers of the Section, all of whom must be MEMBERS, shall be: Chair, Chair-Elect (who shall serve as Vice-Chair), Secretary, and Treasurer.

#### Section 2. Board of Trustees.

- a. For the purpose of the laws of the state of New Jersey, the officers shall be Trustees and shall constitute the Board of Trustees.
- b. The Board of Trustees shall have charge of any trust funds and any permanent investments of the Section and shall administer same in accordance with these bylaws and in accordance with the conditions under which any specific funds may have been acquired.
- c. The Treasurer of the Section (who is a Trustee) shall have custody of property entrusted to the Board of Trustees.
- d. In the management of the trust funds and permanent funds, the Board of Trustees shall seek advice of the Financial Committee.
- e. In acquiring, investing, reinvesting, exchanging, retaining, selling, and managing the trust funds and permanent investments of this corporation, the Section Trustees shall exercise the judgment and care under the circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion, and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not in regard to speculation but in regard to the permanent disposition of funds, considering the probable income as well as the probable safety of their capital, and within the limitations of the foregoing standard the Section Trustees are authorized to acquire and retain, exercise options on and vote on every kind of investment, including specifically, but without in any way limiting the generality of the foregoing, bonds, debentures, and other corporate obligations, stocks, preferred or common, and real estate mortgages and other investments which persons of prudence, discretion, and intelligence acquire or retain for their own account, and within the limitations of the foregoing standard, the Section Trustees are authorized to retain property, properly acquired, without limitation as to time and without regard to its suitability for original purpose.
- f. All funds administered by the Section Trustees shall be considered as a General Reserve Fund. The assets held in the General Reserve Fund need not be physically divided among the several funds which comprise it, but the records of the Treasurer shall reflect the division of assets among these funds. The income from these funds shall be available for the use and the operation of the Section except as may be provided otherwise by the terms of a specific allocation, gift, or bequest. The General Reserve Fund shall include inter alia the Indicator Reserve Fund, and the Contingency Reserve Fund.
- g. The Board of Trustees shall have full power to act for the Executive Committee between meetings of that Committee.

## Section 3. Presiding Officers.

- a. The Chair shall be deemed to be the President for the purposes of the laws of the state of New Jersey. The Chair or, in the Chair's absence, the Chair-Elect, or, in the Chair-Elect's absence, the Secretary, shall preside at all meetings of the Section and of the Executive Committee. The Chair shall be an *ex officio* member of all committees. In the event that the Chair is unable to perform the duties of the office, the Chair-Elect shall assume these duties.
- b. The Chair shall submit to the Local Section Activities Committee of the SOCIETY an annual report for the preceding year in time to meet any deadline specified by the SOCIETY.

## Section 4. Secretary.

- a. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Section and of the Executive Committee.
- b. The Secretary shall notify officers, Councilors, and Alternate Councilors of their election and committee members of their appointment and shall send to the Executive Director of the SOCIETY the names of the officers of the Section, the Councilors, Alternate Councilors, and the names of Councilors to be disqualified if the Section's representation is reduced in accordance with the provisions of SOCIETY bylaws.
- c. The Secretary shall issue notices of Executive Committee meetings, conduct necessary correspondence, and perform such other duties as regularly pertain to this office.
- d. The Secretary shall be authorized to employ, with the approval of the Executive Committee, such clerical aid as may be necessary for the discharge of these duties. One or more Assistant Secretaries may be appointed by the Executive Committee. The Assistant Secretaries shall not be considered officers. The Assistant Secretaries shall perform duties assigned to them by the Secretary or in the Secretary's absence by the Chair.
- e. Within ten days after the appointment of the Nominating Committee, the Secretary shall make available the following information to the members of that Committee: the membership files of the Section; names of the officers, Councilors, Alternate Councilors, and Committee Members for the preceding three years; an attendance list of Councilors of the Section at Council meetings during the preceding three years; and an attendance list of the Executive Committee members at Executive Committee meetings of the Section during the year immediately preceding.
- f. The Secretary shall perform the duties entrusted to this office as stated elsewhere in these bylaws.

g. The Secretary shall submit to the Council Policy Committee of the SOCIETY an annual report for the preceding year in time to meet any deadline specified by the SOCIETY.

## Section 5. Treasurer.

- a. The Treasurer shall be charged with the responsibility of collecting all local dues, of obtaining from the Executive Director of the SOCIETY such funds as are available and needed for the conduct of the Section, and of receiving all other monies payable to the Section and shall submit all requests for funds for any fiscal year to the Executive Director of the SOCIETY prior to November 30 of that year.
- b. All monies obtained by the Treasurer for the annual operation of the Section shall be deemed the Treasurer's Reserve Fund. This reserve shall consist of two funds, one of which shall contain all monies obtained, as previously described in these bylaws, and termed here "annual income", and a Contingency Operating Fund appropriated by the Executive Committee from the Contingency Reserve Fund.
- c. The Treasurer shall make all disbursements, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall be authorized to employ, with the approval of the Executive Committee, such clerical aid as may be necessary to the discharge of these duties.
- d. The Treasurer shall, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, place the General Reserve Funds of the Section in income-producing investments.
- e. The Treasurer shall submit to the Council Policy Committee of the SOCIETY an annual financial report for the preceding year, including an itemized statement of receipts and expenditures and investment of funds, in time to meet any deadline specified by the SOCIETY. The Treasurer shall also prepare a report on the finances of the Section at any other time upon request of the Chair or of the Executive Committee or prior to relinquishing office.

#### Section 6. Audit.

At the end of the fiscal year, or at any other time on retirement of the Treasurer, the Chair shall appoint an expert accountant, or other qualified, disinterested person or persons, to audit the records of the Treasurer and shall report the results of such audit to the Executive Committee.

#### Section 7. Other Duties.

The officers shall perform such other duties as are assigned to them by the Executive Committee.

# Bylaw V Councilors

Section 1. Councilors.

Councilors corresponding in number to a number assigned to the Section from year to year by the Council Policy Committee of the SOCIETY shall represent the Section on the Council of the SOCIETY as provided by the Constitution.

Section 2. Candidates for election as Councilors may concurrently also be Candidates for offices with the local section.

Section 3. Alternate Councilors.

A sufficient number of Alternate Councilors shall be chosen at each annual election as provided for elsewhere in these bylaws so that the anticipated total number of Alternate Councilors holding office on the following January 1 shall equal the number of Councilors authorized at the time of election.

Section 4. If any Councilor is unable to attend a meeting of the Council, an Alternate Councilor may be chosen by the Executive Committee from the list of elected Alternate Councilors, and a certificate shall be prepared by the Secretary, in which the absent Councilor and the Alternate Councilor substituted shall be named.

# Bylaw VI Executive Committee

#### Section 1. Executive Committee.

The officers of the Section, the last past Chair, the elected Councilors and Alternate Councilors, the Chair of each Group and each Subsection specifically so authorized by the Executive Committee, and the chairs of standing committees shall constitute an Executive Committee, which shall conduct all business of the Section except that specifically delegated to officers, elected Councilors, Alternate Councilors, committees, or the Section as a whole. It shall meet on call of the Chair or on petition of five members of the Executive Committee. Any elected officer or Director-at-Large of the SOCIETY who is a member of the Section shall also be a member *ex officio* of the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Quorum.

Twenty percent of the membership of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum at meetings of this body.

#### Section 3. Order of Business.

- a. The regular order of business at meetings of the Executive Committee shall be as follows:
  - (1) Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting of the Section and of the Executive Committee.
  - (2) Reports of officers.
  - (3) Reports of committees.
  - (4) Miscellaneous business.
  - (5) Adjournment.
- b. The regular order of business may be set aside by the Chair with the consent of the majority of the members present.

Section 4. A roll call vote of the Executive Committee shall be called for provided that thirty percent of the members of the Executive Committee present and voting demand this.

# Bylaw VII Official Publication

#### Section 1. Official Publication.

The official publication of the Section shall be *The Indicator*, which is published jointly with the New York Section under a contract agreement (hereinafter called "Contract"). *The Indicator* shall be mailed to both members and affiliates and shall be the official medium for notice of regular meetings, nominations for office, results of elections, proposed changes in these bylaws, and any other matters authorized by the Executive Committee.

Section 2. As provided for in the Contract, the Section shall select a representative to serve on a joint Indicator Advisory Committee. This representative shall be appointed by the Section Chair for a term of one year beginning January 1. These duties shall be to represent the Section in all matters dealing with the management of *The Indicator*, to maintain for the Section a suitable medium for publication of its material, and to perform such other duties as may be required under the Contract.

## Bylaw VIII Election of Officers and Councilors

## Section 1. Term of Elective Officers.

a. A Chair-Elect shall be elected each year and take office the following January 1. At that time or at such earlier time as a vacancy in the office of the Chair occurs, the retiring Chair-Elect shall succeed to the office of Chair.

b. A Secretary shall be elected in 1950 and in each third year thereafter, and a Treasurer shall be elected in 1952 and each third year thereafter, and each shall take office for a three-year term the January 1 following election.

## Section 2. Term of Councilors and Alternate Councilors.

Approximately one-third of the Councilors and one-third of the Alternate Councilors shall be chosen by ballot at each annual election and shall assume their duties on January 1 of the following year. Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall discharge their duties for three years or until their successors shall have been elected and have assumed office.

- a. Whenever it may become necessary to synchronize the three-year periods of office for Councilors so that the number of Councilors to be newly elected for a three-year term shall more nearly approximate one-third of the total Councilors, the Board of Trustees may designate any actual or impending vacancy as an unexpired term and determine that such term shall expire the following January 1 or one, two, or three years thereafter.
- b. The three-year periods of office for Alternate Councilors may be synchronized in a manner identical to the procedures for Councilor rotation.

## Section 3. Nominating Committee.

Not later than March 1 the Chair shall appoint a Nominating Committee. The Committee shall nominate at least two candidates for each elective office and for each place to be filled on the Council and may nominate additional candidates for the Council. Candidates for an elective office may also, at the discretion of the Committee, be nominated for the Council. The Committee shall report to the Executive Committee prior to forwarding the nominations to the Secretary, which shall be no later than April 10<sup>th</sup>. Subsequently, these nominations shall be published in the Indicator. It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to make certain that all candidates chosen by this Committee and all those nominated by petition are eligible and will serve if elected.

## Section 4. Nomination by Petition.

Members of the Section may send to the Secretary additional names of candidates for office until July 1 but not earlier than June 1, and such names of candidates nominated by petition shall be placed on the ballot if they are nominated by at least twenty-five members of the Section, provided that such candidates are willing to serve if elected and are otherwise eligible. Section 5. Ballot.

a. The Secretary shall prepare an election ballot on which shall appear under designation of their respective candidacies and in order chosen by lot the names of all candidates thus nominated and found willing to serve. The Secretary shall send to each member a printed copy of this ballot not later than October 7. Additional ballots shall be furnished by the Secretary upon request.

b. The ballot shall be divided into two parts. The first part shall contain the names of the candidates for any section offices for which there are vacancies and the necessary voting instructions for these offices; the second part shall contain only the names of the candidates for Councilors and the necessary voting instructions for these offices.

## Section 6. Election Procedure.

a. Not later than October 15, the Chair shall appoint at least three disinterested Tellers.

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- (1) Each member shall vote for no more than one candidate for each elective office and for a number of Councilors no greater than the sum of Councilor vacancies impending and unexpired Councilor terms to be filled at the time the ballot is printed. The ballot shall indicate that members may vote for less than the total number of vacancies.
- (2) Each member shall mark the ballot in the usual manner, seal it in a plain envelope marked "Ballot", place this in another envelope bearing the member's name and mail it to the Secretary. The Secretary shall deliver, unopened, to the Tellers all ballots received before October 21.
  - The election may alternatively be conducted by any future electronic voting procedures as may be approved by the SOCIETY.
- (3) The Tellers shall count the ballots thus received, checking against the list of active members provided by the Secretary the names of all those voting. Not later than October 28, the Tellers shall report the count of the vote to the Secretary.
- c. The Secretary shall declare the candidate for the respective office receiving the largest number of votes elected to that office. The candidates for Councilor receiving the largest numbers of votes shall be elected to any Councilor vacancies; the remaining candidates for Councilor receiving the largest numbers of votes shall be elected to any unexpired terms for Councilor; the remaining candidates for Councilor receiving the largest numbers of votes shall be elected to any vacancies for Alternate Councilor; and the remaining candidates for Councilor receiving the largest numbers of votes shall be elected to any unexpired terms for Alternate Councilor.
- d. The Secretary shall notify the newly elected officers immediately after their election and shall announce the results of the election in the January issue of *The Indicator*.
- e. In case of a tie vote in any office or for Councilor or Alternate Councilor, the Executive Committee shall make final selection and announce its choice in *The Indicator* at the earliest possible date.

#### Section 7. Vacancies.

- a. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Chair, the Chair-Elect shall assume the duties of the Chair for the unexpired term. All other vacancies shall be filled by the Executive Committee by interim appointment for the period up to January 1 following the next annual election, at which election the Section shall choose a MEMBER to fill out the remaining unexpired term, if any. In the event the office of Chair-Elect is vacated the appointee to take the position shall have the title of Vice-Chair and shall not succeed to the office of Chair unless so elected.
- b. Should it ever be necessary to reduce the number of elected Councilors, the Councilors receiving the fewest votes at the most recent election shall be the ones removed. Councilors thus removed shall become Alternate Councilors for the remainder of their term of election.
- c. The Secretary shall maintain a roster of all Councilors and Alternate Councilors within each three-year class in an order determined by the number of votes received. Vacancies in the office of Councilor or Alternate Councilor shall be filled as soon as they occur by reference to the voting results in the year in which the resigning Councilor or Alternate Councilor was elected. The person who just failed to be elected in that year shall become an Alternate Councilor for the remainder of the term and each Councilor and (or) Alternate Councilor below the resigning person shall move up one position in that class. This method of selecting replacements shall also apply when an Alternate Councilor is elected to Councilor before the term has expired. The Secretary shall make these replacements without further authorization, but the Executive Committee shall have final authority if the above provisions are inadequate for any particular case.

## Bylaw IX Recall of Elected Officials

Section 1. The elected officials of the Section (officers or elected Executive Committee members) are subject to recall for neglect of duties or conduct injurious to the SOCIETY.

Section 2. The recall of an official shall be initiated when a signed petition, indicating in writing the specific charges and reasonable substantiating evidence, is submitted to the Chair from at least five (5) voting members of the Section. In the event the Chair is the official in question, the Chair-Elect shall receive the petition and shall assume the duties of the office of Chair with respect to this issue until the issue is resolved.

Section 3. The Chair shall without delay determine that the petitioners are aware of the gravity of their actions and the procedures to be followed. The Chair shall seek an alternate resolution to the problem and a withdrawal of the petition at this time. In the absence of a resolution to the problem, the Chair shall present the issue to the Executive Committee as a new business item at the next Executive Committee meeting.

- a. The Executive Committee shall promptly continue the recall process or dismiss the petition as ill founded or find an alternative solution to the problem. The Chair shall promptly inform the petitioners and the official of the decision of the Executive Committee.
- b. If the proceedings continue, the Chair shall assign the duties of the official to another qualified member of the Section until the issue is resolved.
- c. If the proceedings continue, the official shall be offered an opportunity to answer the allegations in the petition before the Executive Committee.

Every reasonable effort shall be made to contact the official throughout this procedure. That effort shall include a certified letter to the last known address on the official SOCIETY membership rolls. Upon notification, the official shall have thirty (30) days to make a written response to the allegations. The Executive Committee shall decide whether to proceed after studying the official's response. The Chair shall inform the official and the petitioners of the decision of the Executive Committee.

If no contact with the official can be made after a reasonable effort, the Executive Committee may remove the official in question with a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee.

- d. If the proceedings continue, the official shall choose one of the following options:
  - (1) The official may resign.
  - (2) The official may request a recall vote in the same manner as the original election, which must be consistent with the Section bylaws. The voting membership shall be informed, through brief written statements prepared by the Executive Committee and the official, of the issues involved with the recall vote. Both statements shall be given to the voting membership before the vote is taken.
  - (3) The official may request a hearing and a recall vote by the remaining members of the Executive Committee. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee shall be required to recall the official.
  - (4) The official may choose not to respond and thus forfeit the position.

Section 4. The vacancy provisions of these bylaws shall be used to fill a vacancy caused by a recall process. The membership of the Section and the Executive Director of the SOCIETY shall be informed of the results of the recall process and the replacement of the official.

# Bylaw X Standing Committees

Section 1. Program Committee.

- a. There shall be a standing Program Committee consisting of the Chair-Elect as *ex officio* member and representatives of the Subsections and Groups to be appointed by the incoming Section Chair.
- b. This Committee shall coordinate the programs of all meetings within the Section.

## Section 2. Other Committees.

The Chair may establish, subject to approval of the Executive Committee, other standing committees whenever the Chair may believe such committees are needed for dealing with problems of other than a temporary nature.

#### Section 3. Termination of Committees.

The Chair may abolish, subject to approval of the Executive Committee, any standing committee established under the provisions given elsewhere in these bylaws\_without the necessity for amending these bylaws if in the Chair's opinion such committee is no longer needed.

## Section 4. Committee Reports.

Each of the standing committees shall report on call of the Chair. Not later than January 15, each committee shall make a written report to the Chair of work accomplished during the period of its activity. Each committee shall present requests for funds for the ensuing year to the Executive Committee not later than a date to be set by the Financial Committee.

# Bylaw XI Meetings

## Section 1. Meetings.

- a. There shall be at least one official business meeting of the entire Section each year to be called by the Chair and announced in advance in *The Indicator*.
- b. A special meeting at any time and place within the territory of the Section may be called by the Chair, and the Chair shall call a special meeting if requested in writing by two percent of the total membership at least two weeks before the time proposed for such a meeting. Advance notice of special meetings shall be given in *The Indicator* or, in emergency, by the Secretary by mail.

## Section 2. Order of Business.

- a. The regular order of business at the business meetings of the Section shall be as follows:
  - (1) Announcements by the Chair.
  - (2) Business of the meeting.

- (3) Adjournment.
- b. The regular order of business may be set aside by the Chair with the consent of the majority of the members present.

## Section 3. Quorum.

Twenty-five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at an officially called meeting of the Section.

Section 4. Parliamentary Procedure.

Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall be followed in all matters of parliamentary procedure insofar as they are in conformity with the provisions of these bylaws.

# Bylaw XII Amendments

#### Section 1. Amendments.

- a. When proposed amendments to these bylaws shall have been found acceptable by the Executive Committee, the Secretary shall notify all members of the proposed amendments by means of publication in *The Indicator*.
- b. Proposals for amendments submitted and signed by at least fifty members shall not be subject to approval by the Executive Committee, but it shall be the duty of the Secretary to submit such proposals promptly to the membership by means of publication in *The Indicator*.

## Section 2.

- a. Bylaw amendments shall be voted at a business meeting of the Section after publication of the proposed amendment(s), as well as notice of the time and place for such meeting. The amendment may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.
- b. Amendments shall become effective upon approval by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws acting for the Council unless a later date is specified.

# Bylaw XIII Groups and Subsections

## Section 1. Groups and Subsections.

- a. On petition of what it shall deem a sufficient number of members, the Executive Committee may establish (1) Groups for those members and affiliates who wish to plan separate programs in a specific branch of chemistry, and (2) Subsections for those whose interests are related because of geographical location.
- b. Groups and Subsections shall elect their own officers, including a Chair and Chair-Elect, and appoint their own committees and may make any rules for their government not inconsistent with these bylaws. Such rules and amendments thereto shall be referred to the Bylaws Committee of the Section for comment prior to adoption, and copies shall be filed with that Committee on adoption.
- c. Subject to approval of the Board of Trustees, Groups and Subsections may assess dues and raise or collect funds and shall exercise control of all monies including those apportioned to them by the Section.
- d. Subsections shall be assigned a definite territory.
- e. Members and affiliates of the Section shall be eligible to join Groups and Subsections, hold office, and vote in Groups organized primarily for affiliates, but only members shall be eligible to vote and hold office in all other groups.
- f. Meetings of Groups and Subsections shall be open to all members and affiliates of the Section except, of course that any subscription or assessments being paid by the Group members for a particular meeting must be paid by all those attending.
- g. As of January 25<sup>th</sup> of each succeeding year, the Chair or presiding official of each Group and Subsection shall make a formal report of the past year's activities, excluding a financial statement, to the Executive Committee.
- h. Each Group and each Subsection shall submit an annual financial report to the Treasurer of the Section in acceptable form no later than January 25<sup>th</sup> of each year for the January 1 December 31 reporting period of the previous year.

#### Section 2. Apportionment of Funds to Groups and Subsections.

The apportionment of funds to Groups and Subsections shall be on a yearly basis and at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

## Bylaw XIV Backeland Award

Section 1. An award may be presented by the North Jersey Section biennially. The Award is known as the Leo Hendrick Baekeland Award of the North Jersey Section, Inc., American Chemical Society. The date of the founding thereof was September 1944, and the first award was made in May 1945. Its purpose shall be made to commemorate the technical and industrial

achievements of Leo Hendrick Baekeland and to encourage younger chemists to emulate his example. It shall consist of a gold medal and \$5,000. The Award shall be made by a Jury, as set forth below, to an American chemist who is not yet 40 years old prior to January 1 of the year of the Award and who is adjudged worthy of the Award. It shall be given in recognition of accomplishment in pure or industrial chemistry, as characterized by the initiative, creativeness, leadership, and perseverance of the individual and indicated by published or unpublished evidence. "Accomplishment" for the purpose of this Award is understood to be that which is of unusual individual merit for one below the age specified and is not to be judged in comparison with the work of more mature chemists.

Section 2. The Jury for the Award shall consist of the Chair-Elect of the Section and four members of the Section. The Chair-Elect shall be Chair of the Jury and shall appoint the other jurors. The Chair-Elect shall select them, giving consideration to representing the various chemical disciplines, e.g. as represented by the various divisions of the SOCIETY and to represent both industrial and academic interest.

Section 3. The Award shall be made by a vote of the Jury for the Award to an individual qualified as outlined in Paragraph A. The final selection shall be made at a meeting of the Jury. Four jurors shall constitute a quorum for the selection.

Section 4. The Jury of Award shall meet upon call of the Chair and shall conclude its considerations at least five months preceding the date selected for the presentation of the Award. The individual to whom the Award is to be made shall be notified thereof immediately in writing by the Chair.

Section 5. In the event a suitable candidate is not elected for the calendar year during which an Award would normally be made, the Jury shall be discharged.

Section 6. The recipient of the Award shall deliver an address at the time of the presentation to the members of the Section and to their guests.

Section 7. The Jury of Award shall have power to decide any question not specifically outlined in these rules.

## Section 8. Nomination of Candidates.

- a. The Chair of the Baekeland Award and other members of the Baekeland Award Committee shall be appointed by the Chair of the Section. The Committee shall publicly solicit the nomination of worthy candidates for the Award and announce the conditions for acceptance of a nomination by the Jury. It shall attempt to provide the Jury with a selection of nominees with industrial and/or academic backgrounds. Members of the Committee may make nominations as individuals, but may not be members of the Jury for the Award.
- b. Biographical and bibliographical material in support of a nomination shall be submitted by the nominator. One copy of the nomination shall suffice. Reprints of the nominee's publications are not required, but if submitted must be sent in sets of six

for consideration. The deadline for submission of nominations shall be stated by the Baekeland Award Committee in the public solicitations.

c. The members of the Jury for the Award may be neither nominators nor nominees.

# Bylaw XV Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the Section, any assets of the Section remaining thereafter shall be conveyed to such organization then existent, within or without the territory of the Section, as is dedicated to the perpetuation of objects similar to those of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, or to the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, so long as whichever organization is selected by the governing body of the Section at the time of dissolution shall be exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended or under such successor provision of the Code as may be in effect at the time of the Section's dissolution.