BYLAWS OF THE
CENTRAL ARKANSAS SECTION
of the
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

Bylaw I. Name

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the Central Arkansas Section of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, and hereinafter referred to as “the Section.” The said AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY hereinafter is referred to as “the SOCIETY.”

Bylaw II. Objects

Section 1. The object of the Section is the encouragement and advancement of chemistry in all its branches; and by its meetings, reports, papers, discussions and publications, to promote scientific interest and inquiry.

Bylaw III. Territory and Headquarters

Section 1. The territory of the Section shall be that assigned to it by the SOCIETY. The headquarters of the Section shall be in Little Rock.

Bylaw IV. Members and Affiliates

Section 1. The rolls of the Section shall include those MEMBERS, ASSOCIATE MEMBERS, and National Affiliates of the SOCIETY residing within the territory of the Section, provided that exceptions to this rule shall be made in conformity with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

Section 2. The Section may have Local Section Affiliates as authorized in the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

*Effective February 25, 1980. Approved, as amended, by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY.
Section 3. The members and affiliates shall have such rights and privileges as are accorded them by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

Bylaw V. Organization

Section 1. The officers of the Section shall be a Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and the Councilors and Alternate Councilors as may be provided by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. Only MEMBERS shall be eligible for holding office.

Section 2. The Chair-Elect and Secretary shall be elected annually for a term of one year and shall serve until their successors are duly elected. The Treasurer shall be elected for a term of two years and shall serve after his term until the successor is duly elected. Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall be elected for a term as provided by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. The Chair, Chair-Elect, and Secretary shall take office at the December meeting or on January 1 of each year. The Treasurer shall take office on January 1. Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall take office as provided by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. Upon completion of the Chair’s term of office, the Chair-Elect shall succeed to the office of Chair.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Section and immediate Past Chair.

Section 4. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Chair, the Chair-Elect shall assume the added 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 the next annual election, at which time the Section shall choose a member to fill out the unexpired term, if any. In the event the office of Chair-Elect is filled by such interim appointment, the Section shall elect both a Chair and Chair-Elect at its annual election.

Section 5. Not later than September 15 of each year, the Chair shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three or more members not officers of the Section to provide nominees for the elective offices named in Section 1 of this Bylaw. The Nominating Committee shall choose a slate of at least two candidates for each office, and shall report at the October meeting.

Section 6. Election of officers shall be by mail ballot of the members of the Section and the results shall be announced at the November meeting.

Bylaw VI. Duties of Officers

Section 1. The duties of the several officers shall be such as usually pertain to their offices together with those required by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

Section 2. The Secretary shall make an annual report and such other reports as may be requested from time to time, distribute the minutes and meeting announcements to the membership by
mail, and be responsible for all other official correspondence of the Section. The Treasurer shall make an annual report, and such other reports as may be requested from time to time.

Bylaw VII. Committees

Section 1. There shall be such committees as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the affairs of the Section. The committees shall be appointed from time to time by the Chair.

Section 2. There shall be a Nominating Committee as provided for in Bylaw V, Section 5, of these bylaws.

Bylaw VIII. Meetings

Section 1. The Section shall hold not less than eight regular meetings each year at places designated by the Chair-Elect.

Section 2. A quorum for meetings shall consist of 9% of the members. Before each meeting the Secretary shall inform the Chair of the number which is required for a quorum.

Section 3. The parliamentary procedure for all Section meetings not specifically provided for in these bylaws shall be subject to Robert’s “Rules of Order.”

Bylaw IX. Dues

Section 1. All members of the Section, except MEMBERS in emeritus status of the SOCIETY, and National Affiliates may annually be assessed such local dues as the Section itself may determine.

Section 2. Local Section Affiliates shall pay annual dues of two dollars ($2.00).

Bylaw X. Amendments

Section 1. These bylaws may be amended in the following manner:

a. The proposed amendment shall have first been submitted in writing to the Secretary.

b. The Secretary shall read the proposed amendment to the members of the Section at a regular monthly meeting held prior to the mail ballot.

c. Two-thirds of all members voting shall be required to approve the amendment.
d. The amendment shall become effective upon approval by the Council unless a later date is specified.

**Bylaw XI. Dissolution**

Section 1. Upon the dissolution of the Section and the discharge of its debts and the settlement of its affairs, any funds and property of the Section remaining thereafter shall be duly conveyed to the SOCIETY for the general purposes of the SOCIETY.