BYLAWS OF THE
HURON VALLEY SECTION
of the
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

BYLAW I
Name

This organization shall be known as the Huron Valley Section (hereinafter referred to as the “Section”) of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY (hereinafter referred to as the “SOCIETY”).

BYLAW II
Objects

The objects of the Section are the encouragement and advancement of chemistry in all its branches, the increase and diffusion of chemical knowledge, the promotion of scientific interests and inquiry, and the stimulation of the professional interest and promotion of the well-being of its members.

BYLAW III
Territory and Headquarters

The territory of the Section shall be that assigned to it by the SOCIETY. The headquarters of the Section shall be in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

BYLAW IV
Members and Affiliates

Sec. 1. The rolls of the Section shall include those MEMBERS, STUDENT MEMBERS, and Society 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.

*Effective June 30, 2009. Approved, as amended, by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY.
Sec. 2. The Section may have Local Section Affiliates as authorized in the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

Sec. 3. Members and Affiliates shall have such rights and privileges as are accorded them by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

**BYLAW V**

**Organization**

Sec. 1. The officers of the Section shall be a Chair, Chair-Elect, Treasurer, and Secretary.

Sec. 2. The Section shall have Councilors and Alternate Councilors as provided in the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

Sec. 3. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers, the Immediate Past Chair, Councilors, Alternate Councilors, and other committee chairs of the Section.

Sec. 4. Officers, Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall be elected from MEMBERS of the Section.

**BYLAW VI**

**Manner of Election and Terms of Office**

Sec. 1. Elected officers, except the Secretary, of the Section shall serve for a term of one year, beginning January 1 or until their successors are elected. The Secretary shall serve for a term of two years. The Chair-Elect shall succeed to the office of Chair upon completion of his/her term of office.

Sec. 2. Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall be elected for a term of three years beginning January 1.

Sec. 3. 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 of elected officers 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 elect a MEMBER to fill out the unexpired term, if any.

Sec. 4. The Chair shall appoint a Nominating Committee, which shall provide a slate of officers for the election for each position to be filled. The Secretary shall submit the report of the Nominating Committee to the members. Members of the Section may make additional nominations.

Sec. 5. A confidential and fair ballot containing the names of the nominees shall be distributed to the members. Members shall return their choices by the date indicated for anonymous return to the Secretary, who shall count the ballots and announce the results.
BYLAW VII
Duties of Officers, the Immediate Past Chair and Executive Committee

Sec. 1. The duties of the officers and the Immediate Past Chair are described in the *ACS Huron Valley Section Officers’ Handbook*, along with those customarily performed by such officers, together with those responsibilities prescribed by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY and by these bylaws and such other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the Executive Committee.

Sec. 2. The Chair of the Section shall serve as Chair of the Executive Committee.

Sec. 3. The Executive Committee shall be the governing body of the Section and as such, shall have full power to conduct, manage, and direct the business and affairs of the Section in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY and these bylaws.

BYLAW VIII
Committees

Committees other than the Nominating Committee may be appointed as needed by the Executive Committee.

BYLAW IX
Meetings

Sec. 1. The Executive Committee shall have the power to set the time and place of the meetings of the Section.

Sec. 2. The Section may hold special meetings at the call of the Executive Committee or at the request of 30 members of the Section. The notices of special meetings shall state the exact nature of the business to be transacted and no other business shall take place at such meetings.

Sec. 3. Due notice of all meetings shall be sent to each member and affiliate of the Section. A quorum for all meetings of the Section shall consist of 30 members of the Section. In the absence of a quorum all meetings shall adjourn to another date.

Sec. 4. The Executive Committee shall meet upon due notice to its members at the call of the Chair or at the request of a majority of the members of the Committee. In the absence of a quorum, which shall be a majority of the members of the Executive Committee, called meetings of the Executive Committee shall adjourn to another date.

Sec. 5. The annual business meeting of the Section shall normally be held in the fall.

BYLAW X
Amendments

Sec. 1. A proposed amendment to these bylaws must first be submitted in writing to the Executive Committee. If it is approved by a majority of the Executive Committee, the Secretary
shall furnish all members of the Section with copies of the proposed amendment at the time when notice of the next meeting of the Section is given.

Sec. 2. At the next meeting of the Section, the proposed amendment shall be open for discussion. A ballot on the proposed amendment shall then be sent to each member. To be valid, a ballot marked by a member must be received by the Secretary by the date indicated on the ballot. The date indicated for the receipt of the ballot should be no less than twenty-one days of the ballot distribution. The ballots will be tallied by the Secretary. To be adopted, a proposed amendment must be approved by two-thirds of those voting.

Sec. 3. An amendment adopted by the Section members shall become effective upon approval by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council, unless a later date is specified.

**BYLAW XI**

**Dissolution of Section**

Upon the dissolution of the Section and the discharge of its debts and the settlement of its affairs, any assets of the Section remaining thereafter shall be conveyed to such organization then existent, within or without the territory of the Local 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 Local 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.