



**\*BYLAWS OF THE  
IDAHO SECTION  
OF THE  
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY**

**BYLAW I  
Name**

This organization shall be known as the Idaho Section of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY.

**BYLAW II  
Objects**

The objects of the Section is 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 at Idaho Falls.

**BYLAW IV  
Members and Affiliates**

Sec. 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.

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Sec. 2. The Section may have Local Section Affiliates as authorized in the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. The Section will welcome as an affiliate, anyone interested in the aims and objects 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, Secretary and Treasurer.

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 of the Section, the immediate Past Chair, the Councilors, and Alternate Councilors.

Sec. 4. All officers, Councilors, Alternate Councilors and other persons elected by the members shall be chosen from the MEMBERS.

#### **BYLAW VI Manner of Election and Terms of Office**

Sec. 1. The Chair-Elect and the Treasurer shall each serve for one year. The Secretary shall serve for two years. Terms of office shall begin on January first. The Chair-Elect shall succeed to the office of Chair upon the completion of his term of office.

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

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 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.

Sec. 4. A nominating committee shall be appointed in July, and it shall nominate at least one candidate for each office, the list to be included in the notice of the September meeting of the Section. Additional nominations may be made at the September meeting, by petition of not less than ten per cent of the membership. Voting shall be by mail, and completed by October 15. A voter may write additional names on his ballot.

#### **BYLAW VII Duties of Officers and Executive Committee**

Sec. 1. The duties of the officers shall be 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 and shall appoint all committees authorized in these Bylaws or by 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**

There shall be the following standing committees:

- a. Membership
- b. Program
- c. Publicity

### **BYLAW IX Meetings**

Sec. 1. Section shall hold not less than four regular meetings each year, one to be held in September, at times and places designated by the Executive Committee.

Sec. 2. The Section may hold special meetings at the call of the Executive Committee, or at the request of ten 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 transpire at such meetings.

Sec. 3. Due notice of all meetings shall be sent to each member and National Affiliate of the Section. A quorum for all meetings of the Section shall consist of fifteen per cent of the members of the Section. In the absence of a quorum, all meetings shall adjourn to a date.

Sec. 4. At the regular meetings of the Section, the order of business shall be as follows:

- a. Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.
- b. Reports of standing committees.
- c. Reports of special committees.
- d. Special Orders (having priority by two-thirds vote to suspend rules).
- e. Unfinished business and General Orders (the latter having simple priority by previous vote).
- f. New business.

The foregoing order of business may be suspended by a majority vote of the members present at a regular meeting. The rules of order in the conduct of Section meetings, not specifically provided in these bylaws, shall be Robert's "Rules of Order."

Sec. 5. 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 a date.

### **BYLAW X**

#### **Dues**

Sec. 1. All members of the Section, except members in emeritus status of the SOCIETY, and National Affiliates may be assessed such annual Local Section dues as may be set by the Executive Committee.

Sec. 2. The local dues of Local Section Affiliates shall be set by the Executive Committee in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. Failure to pay such dues in advance shall automatically terminate the affiliation.

### **BYLAW XI**

#### **Affiliation**

At the discretion of the Executive Committee, the Section may affiliate with the Idaho Falls Technical Council, Inc. in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

### **BYLAW XII**

#### **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 second meeting of the Section after notice of the proposed amendment is given, the amendment may be adopted by two-thirds of the votes of the members present (see definition of quorum, under Meetings, these bylaws). The amendment shall become effective upon approval by the Council unless a later date is specified.

### **BYLAW XIII**

#### **Dissolution of Section**

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 used for the advancement of chemistry in the area covered by the Section. In the event that this procedure is not practical, or there still remain unexpended funds, such funds shall be conveyed to the SOCIETY for the general purposes of the SOCIETY.