*BYLAWS OF THE
SIOUX VALLEY SECTION
of the
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

BYLAW I—Name

This organization shall be known as the Sioux Valley Section of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY and hereinafter referred to as “the Section”; provided furthermore, that said AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY be hereinafter referred to as “the SOCIETY.”

BYLAW II—Object

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 interests and inquiry.

BYLAW III—Headquarters

The Section shall have its headquarters at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

BYLAW IV—Territory

The Section shall have such territory as is allotted to by the SOCIETY.

BYLAW V—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.

有效日期：1995年1月5日。根据委员会对宪章和章程的修正，由美国化学学会理事会代表委员会批准。
Section 2. High school chemistry teachers, undergraduate college students, and others who have not met the minimum qualifications for membership in the SOCIETY and who are not National Affiliates may be enrolled as Local Section Affiliates upon payment of annual dues and approval by the Executive Committee within the provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

BYLAW VI—Organization

Section 1. The officers of the Section shall be a Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer. The offices of Secretary and of Treasurer may be held by the same person.

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

Section 3. Only MEMBERS of the SOCIETY may serve as Councilors, Alternate Councilors, or Temporary Substitute Councilors. MEMBERS and ASSOCIATE MEMBERS of the SOCIETY may serve in all other elective offices.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Section, the Councilors, Alternate Councilors, and the Immediate Past Chair.

BYLAW VII—Manner of Election and Terms of Office

Section 1. The Chair-Elect, the Secretary, and the Treasurer shall be elected annually for a term of one year beginning January 1, or until their successors are elected. The Chair-Elect shall succeed to the office of Chair when the term expires.

Section 2. The Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall be elected for a term of three years beginning on January 1. Councilors and Alternate Councilors must be MEMBERS of the SOCIETY.

Section 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 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 4. The Chair shall appoint a Nominating Committee of not less than three members not officers of the Section to provide nominees for the elective offices named in Sections 1 and 2 of this bylaw.

Section 5. The Nominating Committee as provided in Section 4 of this bylaw shall present its report of nominees to a Section meeting held at least 28 days prior to the last fall meeting. By
majority vote of members present, additions or deletions may be made to the list of nominees at this meeting. Not later than 20 days prior to the last fall meeting the Secretary shall provide all members of the Section with a mail ballot listing the names approved by the Section meeting. Members may substitute nominees of their own selection by writing in other names on the ballot. Members shall sign their names on an outside envelope and the ballot shall be enclosed in an inner unmarked envelope which the voters shall seal. All ballots cast shall be so mailed to the Secretary.

Section 6. All valid ballots cast as provided in Section 5 of this bylaw received by the Secretary on or before noon of the Monday preceding the last fall meeting shall be opened and counted at the last fall meeting by three Tellers appointed by the Chair. Election shall be by plurality of all valid ballots cast for the office. In the case of a tie vote for any elective office, the members present at the last fall meeting shall forthwith proceed to decide between the tie candidates by majority vote.

Section 7. The Nominating Committee shall nominate only persons who have agreed to serve if elected. The Secretary shall obtain such an agreement from any additional nominees before placing their names on the ballot.

**BYLAW VIII—Duties of Officers and Executive Committee**

Section 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.

Section 2. The Chair of the Section shall serve as Chair of the Executive Committee and shall appoint all committees authorized in these bylaws, by the Executive Committee, or by action of the Section.

Section 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 IX—Committees**

Section 1. There shall be the following standing committees:

- Educational Activities
- Awards
- Membership
- Public Relations

Section 2. The Section may create or dissolve additional committees by majority vote at any meeting.
Section 3. The Chair of each committee shall be a member of the Section. Section affiliates may be appointed to serve on any committee.

Section 4. The members of all standing committees shall be appointed by the Chair of the Section for a term of one year, beginning June 1, or until their successors are appointed.

**BYLAW X—Meetings**

Section 1. The Section shall meet regularly upon due notice at such times and places as may suit its convenience, provided that at least three meetings, one of which shall be known as the annual meeting, shall be held each year.

Section 2. The Section shall have special meetings at the request of a majority of the Executive Committee.

Section 3. A quorum for regular and special meetings of the Section shall consist of eleven members of the Section. In the absence of a quorum, regular and special meetings shall adjourn to a date.

Section 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 a date.

Section 5. The rules of order in the conduct of Section meetings not specifically provided in these bylaws, shall be Robert’s “Rules of Order.”

**BYLAW XI—Dues**

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

Section 2. The annual dues of Local Section Affiliates shall be set by the Section and shall be not less than two dollars except that dues for Local Section Affiliates who are regularly matriculated undergraduate students in a chemical science or a discipline closely related to chemistry shall be not less than one dollar.

**BYLAW XII—Amendments**

Section 1. These bylaws may be amended in the following manner:
a. The proposed amendment shall be first submitted in writing to the Executive Committee. If approved by a majority of the members of the Executive Committee, it shall be submitted to the members for vote.

b. A return-letter ballot inclusive of a suitable explanation of the amendment shall be sent by the Secretary to all members of the Section and 20 days thereafter the Secretary shall close the voting and count all valid ballots received.

c. Three-fourths of the votes cast shall be required to approve the amendment.

Section 2. If an amendment is proposed by a petition signed by 25% of the membership of the Section, the Executive Committee shall present the amendment to a vote of the Section as provided for in Sections 1,b and 1,c of this bylaw. The Executive Committee may make necessary editorial changes but may not change the intent of the proposed amendment.

Section 3. Immediately after determining that the Section has approved the amendment, the Secretary shall transmit the amendment and supporting documents to the Executive Director of the SOCIETY. The amendment shall become effective upon approval by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council, unless a later date is specified.

**BYLAW XIII—Dissolution of the Section**

Upon the dissolution of the Local Section 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 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.