

This petition was APPROVED as amended at the April 3, 2019 Council meeting in Orlando and CONFIRMED by the Board of Directors April 19, 2019; ACS members RATIFIED the Constitution changes October 30, 2019. EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 2019. Contact C&B at bylaws@acs.org if you have any questions or comments.

FINAL

Petition to Streamline the ACS Governing Documents

**Constitution Articles I-XIX
Bylaws I-XIV
Standing Rules I-IX**

Petition

We, the undersigned Councilors and members of the American Chemical Society, hereby petition to amend the SOCIETY's Constitution and Bylaws and create the Standing Rules; see attachments (additions underlined; deletions ~~struck through~~).

**REVISED
VERSION
FOR
COUNCIL
ACTION**

The following streamlined documents (Constitution and Bylaws) and the Standing Rules show the proposed changes to each document. Also included is a summary document of changes to the Constitution and Bylaws.

These amendments shall become effective after the Council approves the changes, the Board confirms the changes, and the members ratify the Constitutional changes.

Explanation

As a result of a Joint Board-CPC Task Force on Governance Design, a project was undertaken to reorganize the fundamental governing documents of the Society: the Constitution and Bylaws. The objective was to preserve the current governance structure and all current provisions, while creating a third document—Standing Rules. The manner in which the Standing Rules can be modified will have the additional benefit of engaging more committees and members in the design and execution of ACS governance. Organizationally, these three documents should work as a hierarchy. The Constitution should define; the Bylaws should authorize, and the Standing Rules should operationalize. In general, moving from Constitution to Bylaws to Standing Rules on any topic should provide progressively more detail and become progressively easier to amend.

The Task Force avoided making substantive changes, choosing to move blocks of text among the documents. A summary of changes to the Constitution and Bylaws is included. Committees are no longer named in the Constitution and Bylaws; rather, essential functions of the Council are named; committees responsible for those functions are named in the Standing Rules, which also includes committee duties. A procedure has been created for amending the Standing Rules, which is in the Bylaws, and the committees responsible for the functions are generally tasked with being curators for those rules. A new term is created—Units—meaning Local Sections, Divisions, and International

Chemical Sciences Chapters, which was added to Constitution Article X. The Society is permitted to create other units as necessary.

Besides edits for clarity and consistency and corrections, changes to the revised petition include the following: the Constitution and Bylaws Function was renamed the Governing Documents Function to make it clear that this function is responsible for reviewing changes not only for the Constitution and Bylaws, but also the Standing Rules. In Bylaw III, it was clarified that committees may include but are not limited to education, finance, science, and public or professional affairs. In Bylaw X, it was clarified that any amendment to the Bylaws requires a minimum of two-thirds (2/3) vote of voting Councilors for approval. In Bylaw XI, any amendment to the Standing Rules requires a majority (not a two-thirds) affirmative vote by the committee responsible for a function, which is current practice for these types of changes.

The outcome of this process is to make the first two documents significantly smaller, while moving the bulk of the detail and thus the bulk of the language into Standing Rules.

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(This petition has been referred to the ***Council Policy Committee**, Committees on Nominations and Elections, Divisional Activities, Local Section Activities, Meetings and Expositions, Membership Affairs, Society Committee on Education, Society Committee on Budget and Finance, and Committee on Constitution and Bylaws.) ***Committee having primary substantive responsibility**

FINAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL IMPACT

The Society Committee on Budget and Finance has examined this petition and concludes that it will have no impact on the finances of the Society (\$0).

FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

The Committee on Constitution and Bylaws agrees that the proposed amendments meet the intent of the petitioners to reorganize the ACS Governing Documents and create Standing Rules that include more details and are easier to amend than the Constitution and Bylaws. C&B made edits for consistency and clarity, corrections, and changes as described in the explanation section.

A two-thirds (2/3) vote of Council is required for approval of amendments to the Bylaws. If approved by Council, the amendments will become effective upon confirmation by the Board of Directors.

Dr. V. Dean Adams
Chair

SUMMARY of changes to the Constitution and Bylaws (streamlined)

CONSTITUTION

Article I, ~~Name, Seal, Colors, and Insignia~~
 Sec. 1: no change
 Sec. 2: moved to Board Regulations
 Secs. 3-4: moved to Bylaw I

Article II, ~~Objects~~ Purposes
 Sec. 1: slight edit (see header)
 Secs. 2-3: no changes
 Sec. 4: new text (edited) from model bylaws

Article III, Composition of the SOCIETY: edited

Article IV, Membership
 Sec. 1: edited
 Secs. 2-3: moved to Standing Rules

Article ~~V~~, Affiliates and Associates:
 Secs. 1-2: moved to Standing Rules
 Secs. 3-4: moved to Standing Rules

Article ~~VI-V~~, Officers
 Sec. 1, a, 2, b, 3, c: slight edits
 Sec. 1, b: new
 Secs. 2 a, 3, a, b: no changes

Article ~~VII-VI~~, Council
 Sec. 1, a (sentence 1), b: edited
 Sec. 1, a: parts moved to Sec. 1, b and Standing Rules
 Sec. 1, b (original), Sec. 2, Sec. 3, b-j, Sec. 5:
 moved to Standing Rules
 Sec. ~~2~~ 3, a and new b: edited
 Sec. 3, b-j (orig.): moved to Standing Rules and edited
 Sec. 4: moved to Bylaw III

Article ~~VIII-VII~~, Board of Directors
 Secs. 1, 5-6: edited
 Sec. 2: no changes
 Sec. 3-4: moved to Board Regulations

Article ~~IX-VIII~~, Publications
 Sec. 1: edited
 Secs. 2-4: moved to Board Regulations

Article ~~X~~, Manner of Election: moved to Standing Rules

Article ~~XI-IX~~, Meetings of the SOCIETY
 Sec. 1, 2, a: slight edits
 Sec. 2, b-c: no changes

Article ~~XII~~, Units, Committees, and
 Other Bodies of the SOCIETY (New)

Articles ~~XIII-XIV~~ (Local Sections, Divisions
 and International Chemical Sciences Chapters):
 moved to Bylaws IV-VI

Article ~~XV~~, Student Chapters: moved to Bylaw VII

Article ~~XVI-XI~~, Finances
 Secs. 1, 3: edited
 Sec. 2: no changes
 Secs. 4-5: moved to Standing Rules

Article ~~XVII-XII~~, Bylaws: edited

Article ~~XVIII-XIII~~, Amendments to
 the Constitution: edited

Article ~~XIX-XIV~~, Effective Date: edited

BYLAWS

Bylaw ~~I~~, Colors and Insignia (new)
 Secs. 1-2: moved from Article I
 Secs. 1-3 (original): moved to Standing Rules

Bylaw ~~I-II~~, Membership
 Sec. 1: edited
 Secs. 2-5: moved to Standing Rules

Bylaw ~~II~~, Affiliates and Associates:
 Secs. 1-5: moved to Standing Rules

Bylaw III, Council
 Secs. 1-2: new
 Secs. 1-2 (orig.), 3-5: moved to Standing Rules
 Sec. 3: moved from Article VII

Bylaw ~~IV~~, Publications: moved to Board Regulations

Bylaw ~~V~~, Manner of Election: moved to Standing Rules

Bylaw ~~VI~~, Meetings of the SOCIETY:
 moved to Standing Rules

Bylaw ~~VII-IV~~, Local Sections
 Secs. 1-7 (some edited): moved from Article XII
 Secs. 1-14 (orig.): moved to Standing Rules
 Sec. ~~4~~ 8: no changes

Bylaws ~~VIII-V~~, Divisions
 moved from Article XIII; some subsections edited;
 Secs. 1-7 (orig.), 10: moved to Standing Rules
 Sec. ~~8-9~~ 7-8: no changes

Bylaw ~~IX-VI~~, International Chemical Sciences Chapters
 Section (new): moved from Article XIV
 Secs. 1-8 (orig.): moved to Standing Rules

Bylaw ~~X-VII~~, Student Chapters
 Section (new): moved from Article XV
 Secs. 1-2 (orig.): moved to Standing Rules

Bylaw ~~XI~~, SOCIETY Affiliation with Other Technical
 Organization
 Secs. 1-2, 4-5: moved to Board Regulations
 Sec. 3: moved to Standing Rules

Bylaw ~~XII-VIII~~, Position Statements
 Intro., Secs. 1-2, 4: edited
 Sec. 3: moved to Board Regulations

Bylaw ~~XIII-IX~~, Finances
 Sec. 1: no changes
 Sec. 2: edited
 Secs. 3-4: moved to Standing Rules
 Sec. 5: moved to Board Regulations

Bylaw ~~XIV-X~~, Amendments to the Bylaws
 Sec. 1-2 (new): amended from Article XVIII
 Sec. 1 (original): deleted
 Sec. ~~2~~ 3 (original): edited

Bylaw ~~XI~~, **Standing Rules** (new)
 Secs. 1-2: new

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name, Seal, Colors, and Insignia

Section 1.

The SOCIETY shall be known as the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY.

ARTICLE II

Objects-Purposes

Section 1.

The ~~objects~~ **Purposes** of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY shall be to encourage in the broadest and most liberal manner the advancement of chemistry in all its branches; the promotion of research in chemical science and industry; the improvement of the qualifications and usefulness of chemists through high standards of professional ethics, education, and attainments; the increase and diffusion of chemical knowledge; and by its meetings, professional contacts, reports, papers, discussions, and publications, to promote scientific interests and inquiry, 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.

Sec. 2.

To foster the improvement of the qualifications and usefulness of chemists, the SOCIETY shall be concerned with both the profession of chemistry and its practitioners. (~~7/10/72~~)

Sec. 3.

To foster the ~~objects~~ **Purposes** specified in this Article, the SOCIETY shall cooperate with scientists internationally and shall be concerned with the worldwide application of chemistry to the needs of humanity. (~~11/12/79~~)

Sec. 4.

The SOCIETY is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, educational, scientific, and other purposes as set forth in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or under such successor provision of the Code as may be in effect.

ARTICLE III

Composition of the SOCIETY

The SOCIETY shall be composed of members, ~~who in turn may be members of its Divisions and/or its Local Sections. It~~ **The SOCIETY** shall have a Council; which, in addition to such duties as may be prescribed in this Constitution and the Bylaws of the SOCIETY, shall act as an advisory body; a Board of Directors, which shall be the legal representative of the SOCIETY; ~~and establish its administrative policies; committees both of the Council and of the Board; and such officers; and employees;~~ **and such units, committees, or other bodies of the SOCIETY** as are necessary to effectuate its purposes.

ARTICLE IV

Membership

Section 1.

The members of the SOCIETY shall be those individuals who are interested in the ~~objects~~ **Purposes** of the SOCIETY and who meet the requirements for ~~MEMBERS or STUDENT MEMBERS~~ **membership as set forth in the Standing Rules,** as provided in the Bylaws. (~~6/30/09~~)

ARTICLE V VI
Officers

Section 1.

a. The officers of the SOCIETY shall be a President, a President-Elect, an Immediate Past President, **a Chief Executive Officer (sometimes referred to as an “Executive Director”)**, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Chair of the Board of Directors. ~~(11/17/80)~~

b. **The President-Elect shall be elected by the members of the SOCIETY.**

Sec. 2.

a. The duties of the officers of the SOCIETY shall be such as usually pertain to the offices they hold, and also any other duties as may be delegated by the Board of Directors or as herein prescribed. ~~(11/17/80)~~

b. The ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall be the principal administrative officer of the SOCIETY and coordinator of staff operations and shall appoint or delegate authority for the appointment of all salaried employees, except officers, of the SOCIETY. The appointment of ~~Directors~~ **heads** of major staff divisions shall be subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors. ~~(11/23/71)~~

Sec. 3.

a. The President, the President-Elect, the Immediate Past President, and the Chair of the Board of Directors shall take office on January 1 and shall hold office for one year or until their successors qualify. ~~(11/17/80)~~

b. The President-Elect shall succeed to the presidency at the expiration of the President’s term of office or to fill a vacancy in the office of President occurring during the term of office of the President-Elect. ~~(11/18/91)~~

c. The ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, the Secretary, and the Treasurer shall hold office until their successors qualify. ~~(11/77)~~

ARTICLE VI VII
Council

Section 1.

a. The popular deliberative assembly of the SOCIETY shall be known as the Council, which shall **act as an advisory body to the SOCIETY and the Board of Directors and perform other duties as described in the Constitution, and Bylaws, and Standing Rules.**

b. ~~a~~ **The Council shall** be composed of the President, the President-Elect, the Directors, the Past Presidents, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, the Secretary, and Councilors **(or Alternate Councilors)**, representing **Units of the SOCIETY as described in the Bylaws and Standing Rules, Local Sections and Divisions, all of whom shall be known as voting Councilors, if MEMBERS of the SOCIETY.** Twenty percent of elected Councilors shall be elected by Divisions and 80 percent shall be elected by Local Sections. Each Division and each Local Section shall elect Councilors and Alternate Councilors as provided in the Bylaws. In addition to performing such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY, the Council shall act as an advisory body in matters pertaining to the general management of the SOCIETY. ~~(11/21/88)~~

Sec. 32.

a. The Council **is authorized to establish such committees as it deems necessary to carry out its duties.**

~~a~~ **b.** **The Council shall elect a** ~~have an executive committee of the Council to~~ **carry out its executive functions including** ~~be known as the Council Policy Committee, which shall prepareing the agenda for Council meetings and also acting for the Council in all matters within the Council’s jurisdiction between Council meetings, as provided in the Bylaws.~~ **The President and the Secretary**

of the SOCIETY, as ex officio members, shall serve as Chair and Secretary, respectively of this committee.

**ARTICLE VII VIII
Board of Directors**

Section 1.

a. A Board of Directors **shall be the legal representative of the SOCIETY and as such shall have, hold, and administer all the property, funds, and affairs of the SOCIETY.**

b. The Board of Directors shall be composed of the President, the President-Elect, the most recent Past President (all ex officii), six District Directors, one elected from each of six geographical Districts **by the membership of the Districts from which they are to serve** ~~as provided in the Bylaws, and six Directors-at-Large elected by the Council, shall be the legal representative of the SOCIETY, and, as such, shall have, hold, and administer all the property, funds, and affairs of the SOCIETY pursuant to Public Act 358 “To Incorporate the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY” passed by the 75th Congress, 1st Session, and approved August 25, 1937. The Executive Director Chief Executive Officer shall be a nonvoting ex officio member of the Board of Directors. (1/1/01)~~

Sec. 2.

a. The Board of Directors shall hold not fewer than four meetings annually, and may hold additional meetings, on reasonable notice, upon the call of the President of the SOCIETY or of the Chair of the Board of Directors or upon the written request of any three Directors.

b. The Board of Directors shall make a report to the Council at each meeting of the Council with respect to the general state of the SOCIETY and administrative actions taken by it in the interim period between Council meetings.

Sec. 35.

a. The term of a District Director shall be three years. (1/1/01)

b. The term of a Director-at-Large shall be three years. (1/1/69)

c. No Director shall serve more than a total of three terms consecutively and after a third term shall not be eligible for reelection until a period of two years has elapsed. (1/1/72)

d. A three-year ex officio term as President-Elect, President, and most recent Past President shall normally be considered as equivalent to an elected term as a Director. However, a Director who is elected to serve as President-Elect, President, and most recent Past President during a third consecutive term as **a** Director, or in the year immediately following such third consecutive term as Director, shall complete the ex officio term on the Board even though this exceeds the time of a normal term. The two-year lapse period before election again as a Director shall still apply. (11/18/91)

Sec. 46.

Any statement purporting to express the position of the SOCIETY on any public matter shall require the approval of the Board of Directors to be official. Statements on public matters may be issued by any other SOCIETY **unit or** body as provided in the Bylaws. (11/13/78)

**ARTICLE VIII IX
Publications**

Section 1.

The SOCIETY shall issue or sponsor such publications as in the judgment of the Board of Directors will best carry out the SOCIETY's ~~objects~~ **Purposes** ~~as stated in Public Act 358 “To Incorporate the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY” passed by the 75th Congress, 1st Session, and approved August 25, 1937.~~ One of such publications issued by the SOCIETY shall be designated by the Board of Directors as the official organ of the SOCIETY for the dissemination to its members of information about SOCIETY business.

ARTICLE ~~IX~~ XI
Meetings of the SOCIETY

Section 1.

The SOCIETY shall hold one annual meeting and such other meetings as are necessary to carry out its ~~objects~~ **Purposes**.

Sec. 2.

a. The time and place of the annual meeting shall be fixed by the Board of Directors and notice thereof shall be sent by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** to each member of the SOCIETY at least three weeks previous to the date of said meeting. (~~11/23/74~~)

b. The time and place of any meeting other than the annual meeting of the SOCIETY shall be fixed by the Board of Directors upon the advice of the Council, provided that at least three weeks' notice thereof is given to the membership.

c. At any meeting of the SOCIETY 200 members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE X
Units, Committees, and Other Bodies of the SOCIETY

Section 1.

The SOCIETY may establish units, committees, or other bodies of the SOCIETY in order to carry out its Purposes.

Sec. 2.

Local Sections, which are units that are defined geographically, may be established as described in the Bylaws.

Sec. 3.

Divisions, which are units that are defined by common interest(s), may be established as described in the Bylaws.

Sec. 4.

International Chemical Sciences Chapters, hereinafter referred to as "International Chapters", which are units that are defined geographically, may be established as described in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE ~~XI~~ XVI
Finances

Section 1.

The SOCIETY is authorized to assess dues and fees as described in the Bylaws and the Standing Rules. ~~Each member of the SOCIETY shall pay dues as provided in the Bylaws. (1/1/63)~~

Sec. 2.

The financial year of the SOCIETY shall be from January 1 to December 31, inclusive.

Sec. 3.

There shall be an annual apportionment of funds to Local Sections and Divisions as provided in the Bylaws **and the Standing Rules**. (~~11/21/88~~)

ARTICLE XII ~~XVII~~
Bylaws

Section 1.

The Council shall make such Bylaws not in conflict with this Constitution as may be necessary for the proper ~~government~~ **governance** of the SOCIETY. Such Bylaws shall require the confirmation of the Board of Directors, and shall become operative when so confirmed unless a later date is specified.

Sec. 2.

The Bylaws may be amended by the Council in the manner provided in the Bylaws. The Board of Directors shall confirm or reject each such amendment **no later than its next regular meeting** ~~within ninety days. (7/17/68)~~

ARTICLE ~~XIII~~ XVIII
Amendments to the Constitution

Section 1.

The Constitution may be amended by the Council in the manner provided herein. Any petition for amendment of this Constitution, ~~and~~ **along with** the reasons ~~therefor~~ **for the proposed amendment**, shall be submitted in writing to the Council, through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY, over the signatures of not fewer than 10 voting Councilors or not fewer than 25 members of the SOCIETY. The petition may include a recommended effective date. ~~(11/23/71)~~

Sec. 2.

a.. Each petition for amendment shall be considered for the first time at ~~that~~ **the next** meeting of the Council, ~~which follows~~ **provided that the Chief Executive Officer receives the petition** by not less than sixteen weeks **prior to the that Council meeting.** ~~receipt of the petition by the Executive Director of the SOCIETY.~~ The ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall refer the petition to the ~~Committee~~ **responsible for the on Constitution and Bylaws, Governing Documents Function** and, with the advice of ~~the Council a~~ **the Committee responsible for the** ~~Committee on Committees~~ **Function**, to other appropriate ~~Elected and/or Standing~~ **Committees of the Council as defined by in the Standing Rules and/or Society Committees.** One committee shall be designated **by the Chief Executive Officer** as having primary substantive responsibility. The substance of the petition shall appear on the open meeting agenda of these ~~Committees~~ for discussion, and the petition shall appear on the Council agenda for consideration. Except as provided below, the petition shall not be voted on at the first Council meeting at which it is considered. ~~(11/12/79)~~

b. **A petition may be withdrawn** ~~W~~within thirty days following the Council meeting at which a petition was presented for consideration or was acted upon by ~~remittal to the committee with primary substantive responsibility or referral to other committee(s).~~ **Such withdrawal must be made by** an original petitioner or the chair of the committee assigned primary responsibility for substantive review ~~may~~ **by notifying the committee responsible for the** ~~Council Committee on Constitution and Bylaws~~ **Governing Documents Function**, through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, of a recommendation that the petition be withdrawn. If the **committee responsible for the on Constitution and Bylaws Governing Documents Function** concurs, then not less than twelve weeks prior to the **following** Council meeting ~~next following~~, ~~that~~ **the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws** shall report its recommendations and rationale to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, of the SOCIETY who shall ~~transmit~~ **send** them to each petitioner. A signed request for withdrawal must be received by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** at least eight weeks prior to the Council meeting for a petitioner's name to be removed from the list. **of petitioners.** If the number of remaining petitioners falls below 50 percent of the original number, and if this remaining number no longer satisfies the requirements specified ~~in Section 1 of this Article~~ **above**, the petition shall be considered withdrawn and shall not be included for action in the agenda of the Council meeting. ~~(11/14/84)~~

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c. ~~Not less than twelve weeks prior to the Council meeting next following that at which the~~ **After the** petition was first considered, the ~~Committee~~ **responsible for the** ~~on Constitution and Bylaws~~ **Governing Documents Function** shall report its recommendations to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY **not less than twelve weeks prior to the next Council meeting.** The ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** who shall ~~transmit~~ **send** them to the petitioners directly or, if more than 50 signatures appear on the petition, through the official organ of the SOCIETY. The form of the petition so recommended shall be placed on that next Council agenda for vote, and shall stand in place of the original petition. The original petition, unchanged or modified to include any of the recommended changes only, also shall be placed on the Council agenda should such a request be received from a majority of the petitioners not later than eight weeks prior to the Council meeting. Should the Council not adopt the recommendations of the ~~Committee~~ **responsible for the** ~~on Constitution and Bylaws~~ **Governing Documents Function,** it ~~Council~~ shall act immediately upon the original petition. (6/26/73)

d. Within thirty days after the Council meeting at which a petition to amend the Constitution ~~and/or Bylaws has been~~ **was** presented for consideration, opponents of the proposed petition may submit written arguments to the chair of the committee ~~which has been~~ **that was** assigned primary substantive responsibility **for the petition;** ~~The~~ chair shall prepare summaries of these arguments and of any rebuttals by proponents, for inclusion, in association with the proposed amendment, in the agenda of the Council meeting at which action is to be taken. The ~~Chair of the Society~~ **Committee responsible for the finances, as described in the Standing Rules,** ~~on Budget and Finance~~ **Function** shall prepare a financial impact statement which also shall appear in the Council agenda when action is to be taken on the petition. (11/12/79)

e. The petition may be voted on at the first Council meeting at which it is considered, as a matter of urgency. Each petition to be presented for urgent action must be so designated in the agenda for that Council meeting. Such immediate action may be taken only if the Council determines by a **minimum of** three-fourths (3/4) vote that sufficient urgency exists. In taking immediate action, the Council shall act on the original petition unless the ~~Committee~~ **responsible for the** ~~on Constitution and Bylaws~~ **Governing Documents Function** shall ~~submit~~ to the Council an alternate proposal, in which case the Council shall act first upon the alternate proposal. (7/17/68)

f. Each petition for amendment of the Constitution shall require both the approval of the Council and ratification by vote of the membership of the SOCIETY for adoption, but no such petition shall be submitted to the membership unless first approved by the Council. (7/17/68)

If the Council approves the petition, the amendment shall be submitted to the membership for vote at the time of the next SOCIETY election, except that the Council may rule that the ballots be distributed at an earlier date. In any balloting on Constitutional amendments, an opportunity shall be provided for proponents and opponents of the petition to submit statements of their respective positions. Summaries of such statements shall be prepared by the **committee responsible for the Governing Documents Function** ~~Committee on Constitution and Bylaws~~ and included with the ballot. The balloting shall be conducted according to the requirements specified in the Bylaws. (11/15/04)

Sec. 3.

The ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall communicate the results of the vote to the President, and to the members through the official organ of the SOCIETY. No amendment shall be ratified unless two-thirds (2/3) of the members voting on the proposal vote in its favor. Each amendment shall become effective when ratified unless a later date is specified. (11/12/79)

ARTICLE XIV XIX
Effective Date

This Constitution shall become effective ~~on the first day of January 1948~~ **as of November 1, 2019.**

BYLAWS

BYLAW I

(Constitution, Article I)

Colors and Insignia

Section. 31.

The colors of the SOCIETY shall be cobalt blue and gold.

Sec. 42.

The SOCIETY's insignia shall be square with one of the points forming the top and another the bottom of the emblem; the upper half of the square so placed, triangular in shape, shall contain the figure of a phoenix rising from the flame, typical of chemical activity and of the birth of new substance through the energy of chemical change; the lower half of the square shall contain the letters ACS and a small Liebig bulb. When used in the form of a pin, the insignia shall be finished with cobalt blue enamel and gold.

BYLAW II

(Constitution, Article IV)

Membership

Section 1.

The Council ~~Committee on Membership Affairs~~ shall elect all members of the SOCIETY of whatever classification. It shall have the power to interpret and apply the requirements for membership, including those for applicants educated in foreign countries. *(6/11/10)*

BYLAW III

(Constitution, Article VI ~~VII~~)

Council

Section 1.

Voting Councilors must be MEMBERS of the SOCIETY as set forth in the Standing Rules.

Sec. 2.

a. Twenty percent of elected Councilors shall be elected by Divisions and 80 percent shall be elected by Local Sections. Each Division and each Local Section shall elect Councilors and Alternate Councilors as provided in the Bylaws **or Standing Rules.**

b. The Council also shall include as nonvoting Councilors, persons whose SOCIETY positions enable them to contribute special knowledge and viewpoints to Council debate or to benefit in the discharge of their SOCIETY responsibilities from Council discussion, as specified in ~~the Bylaws~~ **these Standing Rules.** *(7/2/57)*

c. The President and the Secretary of the SOCIETY shall be the President and the Secretary, respectively, of the Council, and the President shall serve as the presiding officer of the Council. There shall be Society Committees as provided in the Bylaws to aid both the Council and the Board of Directors in the performance of their functions. Society Committees shall be composed of voting Councilors, including Directors, and may, when deemed appropriate, include other members of the **SOCIETY** ~~Society~~, as provided in the Bylaws. *(1/1/78)*

d. The Council shall establish committees to facilitate its operations, including but not limited to the following Ffunctions:

- (1) **Membership Function**
- (2) **Council Executive Function**
- (3) **Committees Function**
- (4) **Elections Function**
- (5) **Constitution and Bylaws Governing Documents Function**
- (6) **Meetings Function**

(7) Units Function

- e. **The Council may establish other committees for particular purposes for the SOCIETY.**
- f. **The Council and the Board of Directors may jointly establish other committees for particular purposes for the SOCIETY.**
- g. **Other committees may include but are not limited to education, finance, science, and public or professional affairs.**

Sec. 3.

The Council shall hold not fewer than two meetings annually, one of which shall be held in connection with the annual meeting of the SOCIETY. The Council may hold additional meetings on reasonable notice, upon the call of the President of the SOCIETY, the Chair of the Board of Directors, or the ~~Council Policy Committee~~ **committee responsible for the Council Executive Function**. In any session of the Council, 33 1/3 percent of the voting Councilors shall constitute a quorum. ~~(7/2/57)~~

BYLAW IV ~~VH~~

(Constitution, Article ~~X~~ ~~XH~~)

Local Sections

Section 1.

Upon request of not fewer than 50 members of the SOCIETY residing within the area defined in their request, the Council may establish a Local Section. ~~(1/1/63)~~

Sec. 2.

Each Local Section shall be chartered with territory as approved by the Council. Subsequent changes in the territory shall be made only by vote of the Council. ~~(11/20/89)~~

Sec. 3.

a. Any Local Section chartered in accordance with the provisions of this ~~Bylaw Article~~ **which that** fails to maintain a membership as provided in the Bylaws ~~and/or~~ **Standing Rules** shall automatically forfeit its charter. ~~(7/2/62)~~

b. A Local Section may be dissolved by the Council for good and sufficient reasons.

Sec. 4.

a. Except as hereinafter provided, all members of the SOCIETY who reside in that portion of the United States set apart by the Council as the territory of a given Local Section shall be considered members of that Local Section, and shall be so enrolled, and shall be entitled to all privileges such Local Section may grant under the Constitution, ~~and~~ Bylaws, ~~and/or~~ **Standing Rules** of the SOCIETY. ~~(7/13/64)~~

b. A member of the SOCIETY may transfer Local Section membership from the Section in the territory of residence to another Section as provided in the Bylaws ~~and/or~~ **Standing Rules**. ~~(11/18/91)~~

c. A member of the SOCIETY who resides in territory not allocated to a Local Section may be enrolled in a Local Section as provided in the Bylaws. ~~(1/1/63)~~

Sec. 5.

a. Each Local Section shall be governed by bylaws, as provided in the Bylaws ~~and/or~~ **Standing Rules** of the SOCIETY. ~~(1/1/68)~~

b. A Local Section shall elect its own officers, Councilors, and Alternate Councilors. All selections for office and changes in office shall be certified promptly by the Secretary of the Local Section to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY. ~~(11/23/71)~~

Sec. 6.

No Local Section or committee thereof or Local Section official acting in an official capacity shall issue any resolution or statement on public matters except as provided in the Bylaws ~~and/or~~ **Standing Rules**. ~~(11/13/78)~~

Sec. 7.

a. Local Sections shall receive a share of the annual SOCIETY dues of SOCIETY members and Affiliates, as provided **in the Standing Rules.** ~~elsewhere in this Constitution and as determined by provisions described in the Bylaws. (6/23/03)~~

b. A Local Section may assess dues and raise or collect funds to be expended for local purposes in harmony with the provisions of the Charter of the SOCIETY and may have the entire management and control of said funds.

c. A Local Section may receive donations or bequests made to said Local Section, and may expend or invest the same in the interest of said Local Section at the discretion of its governing body.

d. Each Local Section shall prepare an annual report as specified in the ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules.** ~~(11/12/79)~~

Sec. 8 15.

Bylaws of each Local Section shall provide that, 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 that~~ is dedicated to the perpetuation of ~~objects~~ **Purposes** 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. ~~(9/5/61)~~

BYLAW V VIII
(Constitution, Article ~~X~~ **XIII**)

Divisions

Section 1.

Members of the SOCIETY with a common interest in a particular field of SOCIETY interest, upon authorization of the Council may organize a group to be known as a Division of the SOCIETY. ~~(1/1/63)~~

Sec. 2.

a. Each Division shall be governed by bylaws, as provided in the Bylaws **and Standing Rules** of the SOCIETY. ~~(1/1/68)~~

b. A Division shall elect its own officers, Councilors, and Alternate Councilors. All selections for office and changes in office shall be certified promptly by the Secretary of the Division to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY. ~~(11/23/71)~~

Sec. 3.

No Division or committee thereof or Division official acting in an official capacity shall issue any resolution or statement on public matters except as provided in the Bylaws **and Standing Rules.** ~~(11/13/78)~~

Sec. 4.

a. Divisions shall receive a share of the annual SOCIETY dues of SOCIETY members and Affiliates, as provided ~~elsewhere in this Constitution~~ **the Standing Rules.** ~~and as determined by provisions described in the Bylaws. (6/23/03)~~

b. A Division may assess dues and raise or collect funds to be expended for its own purposes in harmony with the provisions of the Charter of the SOCIETY and may have the entire management and control of said funds.

c. A Division may receive donations or bequests made to said Division, and may expend or invest the same in the interest of said Division at the discretion of its governing body.

d. Each Division shall prepare an annual report as specified in the ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules.** ~~(11/12/79)~~

Sec. 5.

a. Any meeting of a Division held as part of a national meeting of the SOCIETY, with the exception of a business meeting, shall be open to all members of the SOCIETY on the same basis as to the members of the said Division. ~~(1/1/63)~~

b. Any Division sponsoring a meeting held apart from a national meeting of the SOCIETY shall have the privilege of offering reduced registration fees to members of the said Division. At each such meeting, each member of the SOCIETY, not at the time a member of the Division, who desires to register **for the meeting** shall be informed of this regulation and before registration shall be offered the opportunity of becoming a member of the Division upon payment of dues to the Division at the existing rate for Division members. ~~(11/18/91)~~

Sec. 6.

Any Division may be dissolved by the Council for good and sufficient reasons.

Sec. 7 8

Bylaws of each Division shall provide that, upon dissolution of the Division, any assets of the Division remaining thereafter shall be conveyed to such organization then existent ~~as that~~ is dedicated to ~~objects~~ **Purposes** similar to those of the Division and the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, or to the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, so long as whichever organization is selected by the governing body of the Division 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 Division's dissolution. ~~(9/5/61)~~

Sec. 8. 9

A Division may incorporate under the laws of the District of Columbia or of any appropriate state or commonwealth. Proposed Articles of Incorporation or proposed amendments to Articles of Incorporation shall first be submitted by the executive committee or equivalent of the Division to the ~~C~~committee **responsible for the on Constitution and Bylaws Governing Documents Function** through the Executive Director ~~of the SOCIETY~~ for determination that the proposals are not inconsistent with the Charter, Constitution, or Bylaws of the SOCIETY. Upon such finding, the Division may present the proposals to its membership for adoption and may incorporate or amend if they are adopted. The Articles of Incorporation or amendments thereto shall then be submitted to the ~~C~~committee **responsible for the on Constitution and Bylaws Governing Documents Function**, acting for the Council of the SOCIETY, ~~which~~ **This C**committee, may confer final approval, whereupon said articles or amendments shall become part of the bylaws of the Division. ~~(11/23/71)~~

BYLAW VI IX

~~(Constitution, Article XIV)~~

International Chemical Sciences Chapters

Upon the written request of not fewer than 25 members of the SOCIETY residing in a defined geographic area outside the United States of America, the Board of Directors with the approval of the Council may authorize formation of an International Chemical Sciences Chapter, **hereinafter referred to as an "International Chapter"**. The criteria for the formation and review of **an International Chemical Sciences Chapters of the SOCIETY** are provided in the ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**. ~~(11/18/91)~~

BYLAW VII X

~~(Constitution, Article XV)~~

Student Chapters

Section 1.

Student Chapters may be formed as **authorized by the Council**. ~~provided in the Bylaws.~~ ~~(6/30/09)~~

BYLAW VIII XII

~~(Constitution, Article VIII, Article XII, Article XIII)~~

Position Statements

Any statement on a public matter to be initiated by a Local Section, Division, or other SOCIETY unit or other body must adhere to the following procedure: (9/30/11)

a. No SOCIETY unit or other body may issue a statement on a public matter that is in conflict with existing Board of Directors' approved policy or positions. (9/30/11)

b. No SOCIETY unit or other body other than the Board of Directors may pre-empt the policymaking authority of another SOCIETY body, or issue a statement that is reasonably likely to impact the mission or activities of another SOCIETY body without the express, written approval of that SOCIETY body. (9/30/11)

c. All SOCIETY units or other bodies are subject to the SOCIETY position statement process approved by the Board of Directors as set out in the Regulations. (9/30/11)

BYLAW IX XIII
(Constitution, Article XI XVI)

Finances

Section 1.

All income to the SOCIETY shall be collected by such officer or officers as the Board of Directors may designate for that purpose.

Sec. 2.

The Board of Directors is authorized and empowered ~~on~~ in behalf of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY to receive, by devise, bequest, donation, or otherwise, either real or personal property and to hold the same absolutely or in trust, and to invest, reinvest, and manage the same and to apply said property and the income arising therefrom to the Purposes ~~objects~~ of the SOCIETY. The Board of Directors also shall have power to allocate ~~the funds of the SOCIETY for the purpose of~~ to carrying out the Purposes ~~objects~~ of the SOCIETY.

BYLAW X XIV
(Constitution, Article XIII XVIII)

Amendments to the Bylaws

Section 1.

The Bylaws may be amended by the Council in the manner provided herein. Any petition for amendment of the Bylaws ~~and~~ along with the reasons ~~therefor~~ for the proposed amendment, shall be submitted in writing to the Council, through the ~~Executive Director~~ Chief Executive Officer of the SOCIETY, over the signatures of not fewer than 10 voting Councilors or not fewer than 25 members of the SOCIETY. The petition may include a recommended effective date. (11/23/74)

~~Any petition for amendment of these Bylaws shall be subject to the same procedure as is specified in Article XVIII, Section 1 and Sec. 2, a-e, inclusive, in the Constitution for petitions to amend for amendment of the Constitution. (11/12/79)~~

Sec. 2.

a. Each petition for amendment shall be considered for the first time at ~~that~~ the meeting of the Council ~~which~~ that follows provided that the Chief Executive Officer receives the petition by not less than sixteen weeks prior to the Council meeting, receipt of the petition by the ~~Executive Director~~ Chief Executive Officer of the SOCIETY. The ~~Executive Director~~ Chief Executive Officer shall refer the petition to the ~~Committee responsible for the on Constitution and Bylaws~~ Governing Documents Function and, with the advice of ~~the Council~~ the Committee responsible for the Committee on Committees Function, to other appropriate ~~Elected and/or Standing~~ Committees of the Council as defined by in the Standing Rules and/or ~~Society~~ Committees. One committee shall be designated by the Chief Executive Officer as having primary substantive responsibility. The substance of the petition shall appear on the open meeting agenda of these ~~Committees~~ Committees for discussion, and the petition shall appear on the Council agenda for consideration. Except as provided below, the petition shall not be voted on at the first Council meeting at which it is considered. (11/12/79)

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b. **A petition may be withdrawn** ~~W~~within thirty days following the Council meeting at which a petition was presented for consideration or was acted upon, by recommitment to the committee with primary substantive responsibility or referral to other committee(s); **Such withdrawal must be made by** an original petitioner or the chair of the committee assigned primary responsibility for substantive review ~~may~~ **by notifying the committee responsible for the** ~~Council Committee on Constitution and Bylaws~~ **Governing Documents Function**, through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, of a recommendation that the petition be withdrawn. If the **committee responsible for the** ~~on Constitution and Bylaws~~ **Governing Documents Function** concurs, then not less than twelve weeks prior to the **following** Council meeting ~~next following~~, **that the** ~~C~~committee ~~on Constitution and Bylaws~~ shall report its recommendations and rationale to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, of the SOCIETY who shall ~~transmit~~ **send** them to each petitioner. A signed request for withdrawal must be received by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** at least eight weeks prior to the Council meeting for a petitioner's name to be removed from the list of **petitioners**. If the number of remaining petitioners falls below 50 percent of the original number, and if this remaining number no longer satisfies the requirements specified in ~~Section 1 of this Article above~~, the petition shall be considered withdrawn and shall not be included for action in the agenda of the Council meeting. (11/14/84)

c. Not less than twelve weeks prior to the Council meeting next following that at which the petition was first considered, the ~~C~~committee **responsible for the** ~~on Constitution and Bylaws~~ **Governing Documents Function** shall report its recommendations to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, of the SOCIETY who shall ~~transmit~~ **send** them to the petitioners directly or, if more than 50 signatures appear on the petition, through the official organ of the SOCIETY. The form of the petition so recommended shall be placed on that next Council agenda for vote, and shall stand in place of the original petition. The original petition, unchanged or modified to include any of the recommended changes only, also shall be placed on the Council agenda should such a request be received from a majority of the petitioners not later than eight weeks prior to the Council meeting. Should the Council not adopt the recommendations of the ~~C~~committee **responsible for the** ~~on Constitution and Bylaws~~ **Governing Documents Function**, ~~it~~ **Council** shall act immediately upon the original petition. (6/26/73)

d. Within thirty days after the Council meeting at which a petition to amend the ~~Constitution and/or Bylaws~~ ~~has been~~ **was** presented for consideration, opponents of the proposed petition may submit written arguments to the chair of the committee ~~which has been~~ **that was** assigned primary substantive responsibility **for the petition**; ~~†~~The chair shall prepare summaries of these arguments and of any rebuttals by proponents, for inclusion, in association with the proposed amendment, in the agenda of the Council meeting at which action is to be taken. The ~~C~~chair of the ~~Society~~ ~~C~~committee **responsible for finances, as described in the Standing Rules**, ~~on Budget and Finance Function~~ shall prepare a financial impact statement which also shall appear in the Council agenda when action is to be taken on the petition. (11/12/79)

e. The petition may be voted on at the first Council meeting at which it is considered, as a matter of urgency. Each petition to be presented for urgent action must be so designated in the agenda for that Council meeting. Such immediate action may be taken only if the Council determines by a **minimum of** three-fourths (3/4) vote that sufficient urgency exists. In taking immediate action, the Council shall act on the original petition unless the ~~C~~committee **responsible for the** ~~on Constitution and Bylaws~~ **Governing Documents Function** ~~shall submit~~ to the Council an alternate proposal, in which case the Council shall act first upon the alternate proposal. (7/17/68)

Sec. 3 2

Each petition for amendment of the Bylaws shall require a **minimum of** two-thirds (2/3) vote of the **voting** Councilors for approval. The **Chief Executive Officer** ~~Executive Director~~ of the SOCIETY shall **notify the Board of Directors when a Bylaw amendment has been approved by Council**. ~~send~~ ~~transmit~~ the fact of each such approval to the Board of Directors. ~~for such action as may be~~

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~~provided by the Constitution of the SOCIETY.~~ Each amendment shall become effective **when confirmed by the Board of Directors** unless a later date is specified. (~~11/23/71~~)

BYLAW XI
Amendments to the Standing Rules

To be adopted, any amendment(s) to the Standing Rules must be approved by a majority of the Councilors voting and confirmed by the Board of Directors. Such amendment(s) may come before Council in one of the following ways:

a. **The committee responsible for a function shall approve the proposed amendment(s) at an official meeting by at least ~~two-thirds (2/3)~~ a majority affirmative vote followed by Council action as noted above.**

b. **Any committee, ~~Ten~~ voting Councilors, or 25 members shall submit proposed amendment(s) to the committee responsible for the ~~F~~function, by written petition, with at least five weeks prior notice to the committee's next official at the SOCIETY's ~~national~~ meeting. That committee must approve the amendment(s) by at least ~~two-thirds (2/3)~~ a majority vote. After the ~~national~~ meeting, the committee shall send the amendment(s) to the Council for action.**

c. **If the amendment(s) are not approved by the committee responsible for the ~~F~~function, the decision may be appealed to the committee responsible for the Council Executive Function by written petition of 25 voting Councilors at least eight weeks prior to the next Council meeting. If at least ~~two-thirds (2/3)~~ a majority of the committee responsible for the Council Executive Function approves at an official meeting, then the amendment(s) shall go before Council for action.**

d. **If the committee responsible for the Council Executive Function does not approve the amendment(s), an appeal may be brought to the Council floor for action if at least three-tenths (3/10) of voting Councilors agree to its consideration.**

**STANDING RULES for Functions and Committees of the Council
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**STANDING RULE I
Membership Function**

1. **The Committee on Membership Affairs shall be responsible for the Membership Function.**
 - a. **The duties of the Committee on Membership Affairs shall include the following, *inter alia*:**
 - (1) elect members and affiliates to the SOCIETY, conduct reviews, and make recommendations to the Council concerning standards and requirements for membership and affiliate status, including privileges and restrictions, and concerning special dues categories referred to elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**; (6/11/10)
 - (2) review and recommend to the appropriate SOCIETY bodies plans and programs for securing additions to membership, including recruitment and retention of members and improvement of member-related services; (10/7/97)
 - (3) review the status of, and trends in, member and affiliate data and recommend to the appropriate SOCIETY bodies actions in furtherance of the Committee's duties and the ~~objects~~ **Purposes** of the SOCIETY; (10/7/97)
 - (4) consider charges of injurious conduct against a member according to procedures prescribed elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**; ~~and~~ (10/7/97)
 - (5) review and recommend to the appropriate SOCIETY bodies means for informing members and potential members about SOCIETY matters, including advantages of membership; (10/7/97)
 - b. **The Committee on Membership Affairs is a Standing Committee of the Council, as described elsewhere in these Standing Rules.**
2. Applicants for membership shall be elected only as provided in the Bylaws **and these Standing Rules**.
3. A member may be dropped from membership for nonpayment of dues or for conduct ~~which~~ **that** in any ~~way~~ **wise** tends to injure the SOCIETY or to affect adversely its reputation, or ~~which~~ **that** is contrary to or destructive of ~~its~~ **the SOCIETY's** ~~objects~~ **Purposes**. No member shall be dropped except after opportunity

to be heard as provided in the Bylaws **these Standing Rules. When “member” is used, this includes both MEMBERS and STUDENT MEMBERS unless otherwise required. When either a MEMBER or STUDENT MEMBERS is mentioned, this excludes the other category of membership.** (1/1/63)

4. The membership term for new and reinstated members shall be an inclusive 12-month period. The member's anniversary date shall be the date of entry into the active membership roll. (10/4/99)

5. Any person, qualified as specified in the ~~above~~ **following** subsections, who shall have been nominated in writing by two members of the SOCIETY, who shall have paid the initial membership dues and fees as applicable, and whose application shall have been approved by the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs, shall be declared elected a MEMBER or a STUDENT MEMBER of the SOCIETY. The requirement of having two nominations in writing may be waived by the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs in cases where applicants live in areas remote from SOCIETY members. (6/11/10)

a. MEMBERS

The ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs may approve for MEMBER a person who meets any of the following requirements for formal training, experience, or employment in a chemical science or in a related field of natural science, engineering, technology, or science education. Natural sciences are those that deal with matter, energy, and their interrelationships and transformations. (6/11/10)

(1) An earned bachelor's or higher degree in a chemical science or in a related field of natural science, engineering, technology, or science education from an appropriately accredited educational institution, or one acceptable to the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs. (6/11/10)

(2) An associate degree or equivalent in a chemical science or related field of technology from an appropriately accredited educational institution, or one acceptable to the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs. (6/11/10)

(3) Full certification, licensure, or other qualification as a pre-college teacher of chemical science, provided such certification, licensure, or other qualification is deemed satisfactory by the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs. (6/11/10)

(4) Less formal training than indicated above and significant documented work experience in chemical science, chemical technology, or chemical education that is satisfactory to the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs as representing achievement equivalent to that in any of the provisions above. One year of full-time relevant work experience shall be broadly equivalent to one year of full-time education and training. (6/11/10)

b. STUDENT MEMBERS

(1) The ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs may approve for STUDENT MEMBER a person who is actively working toward an undergraduate degree in a chemical science or in a related field of natural science, engineering, technology, or science education from an appropriately accredited educational institution, or one acceptable to the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs. A STUDENT MEMBER may retain such status only as long as that person is actively working toward such a degree. A STUDENT MEMBER who no longer meets the requirements for STUDENT MEMBER but does meet the requirements for MEMBER shall be reclassified no later than the beginning of the following membership year. (6/11/10)

(2) A STUDENT MEMBER shall be entitled to all privileges of membership except that of holding an elective position of the SOCIETY, its Local Sections, or its Divisions, and the privilege of serving as the Temporary Substitute Councilor; however, if the bylaws of the Local Section or Division so permit, a STUDENT MEMBER may hold an elective position of the Local Section or Division, other than Councilor or Alternate Councilor. (6/30/09)

6. Except as provided in the Bylaws **and elsewhere in these Standing Rules,** membership in the SOCIETY and the obligation for dues continue from year to year unless a member's resignation, signed by the member, is received by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY prior to the end of the 12-month period for which dues have been paid. Any person in arrears for dues for one year shall cease to be a member of the SOCIETY, provided that at least two weeks before the name is removed from

the rolls, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall send the member a written notice of delinquency, together with a copy of the Bylaws pertaining to the subject. (10/4/99)

A person whose resignation was received within the specified time limit, or whose membership was terminated through the nonpayment of dues, may be reinstated as a member of the SOCIETY by the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs when that person requests reinstatement and has paid the current dues. (6/11/10)

7. *Expulsion*

a. *Grounds for Expulsion.* Members of the SOCIETY shall be expelled from the SOCIETY for conduct that tends to injure the SOCIETY or to affect adversely its reputation, or that is contrary or destructive to its **Purposes** ~~objects~~ as described in the SOCIETY's Constitution. (1/1/16)

b. *Initiation of Process.* Any member(s) of the SOCIETY may begin the expulsion process by submitting to the Chair of the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs, a written statement specifying charges regarding the charged member. (1/1/16)

c. *Due Process.* Procedures for considering expulsions shall be developed by the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs and approved by the Council. Such procedures shall provide for quick resolution, fairness, confidentiality, and due process, including an opportunity for a charged member to be heard. Any modifications ~~or changes~~ to the approved procedures shall be approved by the Council. (1/1/16)

d. *Advisors.* The charged member may be assisted by an advisor who may act on behalf of the member. Such advisor may be an attorney if the charged member provides the Chair of the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs with written notice of the attorney's name and office address at least ten working days prior to any hearing. An attorney for the SOCIETY may be selected by the SOCIETY's General Counsel to be present and speak at any such hearing(s). (1/1/16)

e. *Confidentiality.* All charges, evidence, correspondence, findings, and recommendations pertaining to any such expulsion matter shall be confidential. All expulsion proceedings and hearings shall be closed to the public. (1/1/16)

f. *Appeal.* The charged member may appeal an adverse decision of the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs to the Council Policy Committee, which shall consider the appeal at its next regularly scheduled meeting, or at an earlier meeting specially called for the purpose of considering the appeal. Decisions of the Council Policy Committee shall be final. (1/1/16)

g. *Dissemination of Outcome.* Upon disposition of the charges, the Chair of the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs shall be responsible for communicating the outcome to the charged member, the Society's ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, the Chair of the Board of Directors, and the member(s) who submitted the statement of charges. In the event the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs determines to expel the charged member, the Chair of the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs shall also inform the chairs of the local section, and of any division(s) to which the charged member belongs. In addition, the Chair of the Board also may inform any additional people who, in the Chair's discretion, have a need to know the decision. (1/1/16)

h. *Readmission.* Persons whose membership in the SOCIETY shall have been terminated by any SOCIETY action herein described, or by resignation after the statement of charges is received by the charged member, shall not be readmitted upon subsequent application unless such application is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs. (1/1/16)

8. The Committee on Membership Affairs may conduct membership recruitment and retention market testing of SOCIETY memberships, services and benefits, including special dues categories, to provide data as the basis for recommendations to the Council. The number of individuals included in any test related to dues discounts shall not exceed a number equal to 10 percent of the total membership. Each test shall be limited to a ~~three-years~~² duration unless granted prior approval by the Council. All test results will be reported to the Council at least once a year. (6/1/12)

9. *Affiliates and Associates*

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a. A person who is not eligible to be a member of the SOCIETY may become a Society Affiliate of the SOCIETY, hereinafter referred to as a "Society Affiliate," ~~as provided in these~~ **Standing Rules** ~~Bylaws.~~ (11/18/02)

b. Such affiliation may be accorded by the ~~Council~~ Committee on Membership Affairs of the SOCIETY after application and recommendation by signature of two members of the SOCIETY in good standing. (6/11/10)

c. A Society Affiliate shall retain affiliate status only so long as payment is made of Society Affiliate dues, which shall be equal to the full membership dues. A Society Affiliate shall not be eligible for any of the special dues categories specified elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**. (3/24/09)

d. Society Affiliates shall have the following privileges: (11/2/02)

(1) Society Affiliates shall receive the official organ of the SOCIETY and may subscribe to SOCIETY publications at the same rates as members. (11/2/02)

(2) Society Affiliates shall be allowed to register and attend meetings (including regional meetings) of the SOCIETY at the same rates as members, and they shall be allowed to use all educational services of the SOCIETY at the same rates as members. (11/2/02)

(3) Society Affiliates shall be assigned to an appropriate Local Section in the same manner as members as provided in the Bylaws **and elsewhere in these Standing Rules**. (6/1/17)

(4) Society Affiliates may become Society Affiliates of any Division **as provided elsewhere in these Standing Rules**. (6/1/17)

(5) Society Affiliates shall have no vote in the national affairs of the SOCIETY and shall not be eligible for any elective office in the SOCIETY. Society Affiliates shall be entitled to those privileges of the SOCIETY which are herein specified. (11/2/02)

e. A person who is neither a member nor a Society Affiliate may become an affiliate of either a Local Section or Division of the SOCIETY as provided **elsewhere** in these ~~Standing Rules~~ **Bylaws**. (11/18/02)

f. ~~(6)~~ **Corporation Associates**

(1) Any firm, association, or corporation or a subdivision of any such may become a Corporation Associate of the SOCIETY under the conditions and with the rights specified in ~~the Bylaws~~ **these Standing Rules**. (6/18/51) Any reputable firm, association, corporation, or institution, or one or more subdivisions thereof desiring to support programs of the SOCIETY that serve the interests of chemical scientists, particularly those in industry, may apply for enrollment as a Corporation Associate of the SOCIETY as provided in this ~~Bylaw~~ **Standing Rule**. Multiple enrollments are permissible. A Corporation Associate shall be entitled to no membership privileges. (6/6/92)

(2) Application for such status shall be made on **the appropriate** ~~a special~~ form and be accompanied by a check in payment of dues for the first year. A Committee on Corporation Associates of the Board of Directors shall consider all applications for Corporation Associates and take such action as it deems appropriate. (6/18/51)

(3) The dues of Corporation Associates shall be graduated and based on the number of chemical scientists employed the preceding year by the unit enrolled in accordance with a schedule set in advance by the Board of Directors. (1/1/82)

(4) The dues so paid shall be available at the discretion of the Board of Directors, with the advice and recommendation of the Committee on Corporation Associates, primarily to develop, support, and expand SOCIETY programs to serve the interests of industrial chemical scientists and to improve the image of chemistry. (10/6/98)

(5) The obligation for dues for a Corporation Associate shall continue from year to year. The status of any Corporation Associate in arrears for dues after March 31 shall be communicated to the Board of Directors for its action. If, by action of the Board of Directors, a Corporation Associate is dropped for nonpayment of dues, it shall be reinstated only by vote of the Board of Directors upon recommendation by its Committee on Corporation Associates. (10/6/98)

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g. ~~£~~ Neither Society Affiliates nor Corporation Associates nor affiliates of a Local Section or Division shall be or represent themselves as members of the SOCIETY. ~~(6/30/09)~~

h. ~~g~~ A Society Affiliate, Local Section Affiliate, Division Affiliate, or Corporation Associate may be dropped for good and sufficient reasons. ~~(6/30/09)~~

10. *Discounts*

a. A member of the SOCIETY who has accumulated at least thirty-five years of paid membership, who is retired from full-time professional employment, and is over seventy years of age, is eligible for emeritus status and upon request shall be given such status upon certification by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**. Such a member shall pay no membership dues, may receive upon annual request the official organ of the SOCIETY, and shall have all the privileges of membership that were held at the time of certification to emeritus status. ~~(6/30/09)~~

b. All members who, prior to January 1, 1986, had accumulated thirty-five years of paid membership are eligible for emeritus status upon retirement from full-time professional employment or at seventy years of age. Such status shall be given following request by the member and certification by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**. ~~(12/11/88)~~

c. A member who becomes totally disabled may be granted a dues waiver. To be eligible for a waiver, the member must have paid dues for at least ten years, have been disabled for at least one year, and furnish proof of the disability. The request for a waiver shall be made to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** annually upon receipt of the dues statement. The Committee on Membership Affairs, acting for the Council, shall resolve any member's appeal from adverse action on such a request. ~~(5/7/76)~~

d. A person graduating with a bachelor's degree in a chemical science or in a related field of natural science, engineering, technology, or science education from an appropriately accredited educational institution, or one acceptable to the Committee on Membership Affairs, may apply for MEMBER status, by reclassification from STUDENT MEMBER ~~or otherwise~~, and receive a half-year waiver of membership dues to begin at any time up to one year from the date of graduation. ~~(6/11/10)~~

e. A member who has accumulated at least thirty years of paid membership and is retired from full-time professional employment shall, upon request to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** and affirmation of such status, be entitled to a discount of one-half the membership dues for each year beginning on the member's anniversary date, and shall receive the official organ of the SOCIETY upon annual request. ~~(10/4/99)~~

f. All members who, prior to January 1, 1986, had accumulated at least twenty-five years of paid membership shall be entitled to ~~this~~ these privileges upon retirement from full-time professional employment. ~~(9/21/90)~~

g. A member who is serving actively in the Armed Forces of the United States of America or in another area of national service on temporary full-time duty of not less than one year nor more than four years may, upon request to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** with affirmation of such status, be entitled to a discount of one-half of the membership dues for each year of such service beginning on the member's anniversary date. ~~(10/4/99)~~

h. Student Discounts

(1) A STUDENT MEMBER, upon affirmation to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of qualification for such status, shall be entitled to a discount of five-sixths of the membership dues. The dues so determined shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar amount. A STUDENT MEMBER shall receive electronic access to the official organ of the SOCIETY. A STUDENT MEMBER wishing to receive a printed copy of the official organ shall pay an additional sum equal to one-half of the calculated per member amount of the allocation to the official organ described elsewhere in ~~this Bylaw~~ **these Standing Rules**, rounded to the nearest whole dollar amount. ~~(6/30/09)~~

(2) A member who is a graduate student majoring in a chemical science or in a related field of natural science, engineering, technology, or science education at an appropriately accredited educational institution, shall be entitled to a discount of one-half of the membership dues so long as the student is doing full-time graduate work. "Full-time" is to represent any combination of course work, research work, and teaching that the institution considers a full-time load. ~~(6/30/09)~~

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(3) The Committee on Membership Affairs shall have the power to interpret and apply these requirements, with the advice of the Society Committee on Education. ~~(6/11/10)~~

i. ~~(4)~~ Upon request from a member who is the spouse of a member, one of the two, with affirmation of their status to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, shall be entitled to a reduction in membership dues equal to the prior year's per-member allocation from dues revenue for the official organ of the SOCIETY in lieu of one subscription. ~~(9/24/93)~~

j. ~~(5)~~ After one year of paid membership, a member who is unemployed and is seeking full-time professional employment, upon request to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** and affirmation of such status, shall be entitled to an annual waiver of membership dues. Such annual waiver shall commence on the member's anniversary date and may be renewed each year for a total not to exceed three years so long as this status is reaffirmed each year. This provision may be invoked again only after a period of full-time professional employment. ~~(9/28/16)~~

k. ~~(6)~~ After one year of paid membership, a member who has elected to discontinue full-time professional employment because of long-term obligations as a family-care provider, upon request to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** and affirmation of such status, shall be entitled to a discount of one-half of the membership dues. Such discount shall commence on the member's anniversary date and may be continued for up to an additional two years so long as this status is affirmed annually. This provision may be invoked again only after a period of full-time professional employment. ~~(10/4/99)~~

STANDING RULE II
Council Executive Function

1. **The Council Policy Committee shall be responsible for the Council Executive Function.**

a. The duties of the Council Policy Committee shall include **the following, inter alia:**

(1) ~~planning~~ the general agenda for each Council meeting;

(2) ~~planning~~ the detailed agenda required to facilitate effective action by the Council;

(3) ~~acting~~ *ad interim* for the Council as authorized by the Council or the Bylaws and **these Standing Rules;**

(4) ~~servicing~~ as an executive committee of the Council;

(5) ~~nominating~~ voting Councilors for membership on the ~~committee responsible for the Elections Function Committee on Nominations and Elections~~ as provided in Sec. 3, b, (3) of this Bylaw; ~~(7/2/57)~~ **elsewhere in these Standing Rules;**

(6) ~~conducting~~ long-range planning studies concerning the future of the SOCIETY; ~~(1/1/72)~~

(7) ~~investigating~~ allegations of improper election procedures in District or national elections and determine if violations have occurred; set aside the results of such an election when it finds sufficient cause; submit charges of conduct, as defined **elsewhere in these Standing Rules,** ~~in the Constitution, Article IV, Sec. 3,~~ when it has reason to believe that significant election procedure violations have occurred; **and** ~~(1/1/01)~~

(8) ~~servicing~~ as an appeals board for any member or candidate dissatisfied with an admission-related action of the Committee on Membership Affairs. ~~(6/11/10)~~

b. The Council Policy Committee **is an elected committee of the Council as described below.**

c. The Council Policy Committee shall be composed of the President, the President-Elect, the Immediate Past President, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, and 12 elected members. ~~(11/23/71)~~

d. Election of Councilors to the **Council Policy** Committee shall be arranged so as to provide rotation. Each year the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall propose not fewer than eight voting Councilors for membership on the Council Policy Committee, four of whom shall be elected by the Council not later than October 1 for a term of three years beginning with the first day of January following, ~~provided, however, that n~~ Nominations for membership on the Council Policy Committee ~~also~~ may **also** be made ~~on~~ **by** petition of 25 Councilors. ~~(7/2/57)~~

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e. No elected Councilor shall serve more than two successive terms of three years each on the Council Policy Committee.

f. Each year the Council Policy Committee shall elect one of its members to serve as Vice-Chair.

g. The Chair of the Committee on Nominations and Elections, the Chair of the Committee on Committees, the Chair of each Standing Committee of the Council, and the Chair of each Society Committee shall have all the privileges of membership on the Council Policy Committee except that of voting. ~~(9/15/78)~~

h. If a member or member-elect of the Council Policy Committee fails at any time to qualify as a voting Councilor, that member shall thereafter remain a member of the Council Policy Committee and a voting Councilor for one additional year or to the end of the member's term on the Council Policy Committee, whichever is shorter. ~~(6/8/94)~~

i. Any vacancy on the Council Policy Committee shall be filled by interim appointment by the President from a list supplied by the Committee on Nominations and Elections of at least two candidates for each vacancy. If the vacancy occurs in the first or second year of a three-year term, the appointee shall serve until the time of the next regular election, at which time the unexpired term shall be filled by election by the Council from a list of candidates provided as specified in ~~these Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**. If the vacancy occurs in the third year of a three-year term, the appointee shall serve through December 31 of that year. ~~(8/28/96)~~

2. Composition of Council

a. Councilors Elected by Local Sections

(1) Each Local Section shall have at least one Councilor. ~~(1/1/64)~~

(2) The total number of Councilors representing the larger Local Sections shall be not fewer than 280 or more than 320. A larger Local Section is defined as one in which the number of members is equal to or greater than one-half the constant defined elsewhere in ~~this Bylaw~~ **these Standing Rules**. ~~(1/1/64)~~

(3) The number of Councilors authorized for each of the larger Local Sections for a four-year period beginning in a year divisible by four shall be determined by dividing the number of members of the Local Section (official count of December 31 of the second preceding year) by a constant (divisor). The number of Councilors so determined shall be equal to the whole number of the quotient plus one for any fraction in the quotient equal to or greater than 0.550; for a Local Section to lose a Councilor position once it has been authorized, the fraction must become equal to or less than 0.450. The divisor shall be established by the Council Policy Committee prior to May 1 of the first preceding year, and its value shall be such that the total number of Councilors from the larger Sections shall be within the limits set elsewhere in ~~this Bylaw~~ **these Standing Rules**. ~~(12/7/86)~~

(4) The Secretary of each Local Section shall certify to the ~~Chief Executive Officer of the SOCIETY~~, not later than December 1 of each year, much earlier if possible, the names, addresses, and terms of the elected Councilors from said Local Section for the ensuing year and shall name the individual or individuals to be disqualified if the Section's representation is reduced as a result of the official determination of representation provided elsewhere in ~~this Bylaw~~ **these Standing Rules**. ~~(11/23/71)~~

b. Councilors Elected by Divisions

(1) The number of Councilors authorized for each Division for a four-year period beginning in a year divisible by four shall be determined from the number of paid members of the Division (official count of December 31 of the second preceding year). Prior to May 1 of the first preceding year, the Council Policy Committee shall select a cut-off figure, n , such that Divisions with up to n members shall have one Councilor, those with $(n+1)$ to $2n$ members shall have two Councilors, those with $(2n+1)$ to $3n$ shall have three Councilors, and those with greater than $3n$ shall have four Councilors. ~~(12/11/88)~~

(2) The Secretary of each Division shall certify to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the ~~SOCIETY~~ not later than December 1 of each year, much earlier if possible, the names, addresses, and terms of the elected Councilors from said Division for the ensuing year and shall name the

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individual or individuals to be disqualified if the Division's representation is reduced as a result of the official determination of representation provided elsewhere in ~~this Bylaw~~ **these Standing Rules**. ~~(11/12/79)~~

c. Elected Councilors

A Councilor disqualified during a term by reduction in a Local Section's or Division's representation as a result of the official determination of representation provided elsewhere in ~~this Bylaw~~ **these Standing Rules** shall remain a voting Councilor until the expiration of that existing term. ~~(9/14/79)~~

d. Ex Officio Councilors

The President, the President-Elect, the Directors, the Past Presidents, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, and the Secretary shall serve as Ex Officio Councilors, if MEMBERS of the SOCIETY. ~~(4/1/77)~~

e. Alternate Councilors

(1) The number of Alternate Councilors elected by each Local Section and by each Division shall equal the number of Councilors to which each is entitled.

(2) The Secretary of each Local Section and of each Division shall certify to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY not later than December 1 of each year, the names, addresses, and terms of the elected Alternate Councilors from said Local Section and from said Division for the ensuing year. ~~(11/23/71)~~

(3) All communications sent to Councilors also shall be sent to Alternate Councilors, but the latter shall not receive ballots. ~~(10/19/04)~~

(4) In the event a Councilor is unable to attend a Council meeting, the Local Section or Division shall select, in a manner to be determined by the Local Section or Division, **as described elsewhere in these Standing Rules**, an individual from the list of Alternate Councilors furnished by the Local Section or Division ~~in accordance with Section 1, e, (2) of this Bylaw~~, to serve as the Councilor only at said Council meeting or recessed sessions thereof, with power to act on behalf of said Councilor. To gain admission to the Council meeting, said Alternate Councilor shall present a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Local Section or Division certifying that said Alternate Councilor is to substitute for said absent Councilor. ~~(6/8/91)~~

(5) There shall be no alternates for Ex Officio Councilors, provided, however, that each Ex Officio Councilor, if absent, may send a representative to report to the Council and to report the meeting to the Ex Officio Councilor. ~~(6/8/91)~~

f. Temporary Substitute Councilors

If every Councilor and Alternate Councilor of a given Local Section or Division will be absent from a Council meeting, and thus leave the Local Section or Division without representation at such meeting, the Local Section or Division may designate one of its MEMBERS as a fully accredited Temporary Substitute Councilor, with power to vote, to represent the Local Section or Division at that one Council meeting. In such case, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** must be notified at least fifteen days in advance of the Council meeting in order to assure certification of eligibility by the Committee on Nominations and Elections. ~~(11/23/71)~~

g. Voting

A Councilor shall be entitled to only one vote, regardless of the number of categories under which that MEMBER may qualify as Councilor. ~~(6/8/91)~~

h. Nonvoting Councilors

(1) The Council Policy Committee and the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors shall jointly designate the nonvoting Councilors and shall establish the term for any not in an ex officio capacity. These shall thereafter be specified by title in a Regulation.

(2) All communications sent to voting Councilors also shall be sent to nonvoting Councilors, but the latter shall not receive ballots. ~~(10/19/04)~~

(3) There shall be no alternates for nonvoting Councilors, provided, however, that each nonvoting Councilor, if absent, may send a representative to report to the Council and to report the meeting to the nonvoting Councilor. ~~(6/8/91)~~

i. Term of office

(1) The terms of office of Local Section and Division Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall be three years, except that a partial term of one or two years shall be used whenever necessary to establish or to restore rotation of three-year terms of Councilors and Alternate Councilors. ~~(11/16/87)~~

(2) The term of a nonvoting Councilor serving in an ex officio capacity shall be that of the office or position held. The terms of others shall be established as provided in the Bylaws **and these Standing Rules**. ~~(7/2/57)~~

j. Officers of the Council

(1) In the event the President is unable to serve as the presiding officer of the Council, the President-Elect shall preside; in the event that neither can serve, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall act as President *pro tem* and immediately proceed with the election of a presiding officer by the Council. ~~(6/8/91)~~

(2) In the event the Secretary of the SOCIETY cannot serve at a Council meeting, the presiding officer shall appoint a Secretary *pro tem*. ~~(1/1/77)~~

3. Committees of the Council

a. **The Council shall have the following committees as described below and elsewhere in these Standing Rules:**

(1) Elected Committees

- (a) Council Policy Committee
- (b) Committee on Nominations and Elections
- (c) Committee on Committees

(2) Standing Committees of the Council

- (a) Committee on Membership Affairs
- (b) Committee on Meetings and Expositions
- (c) Committee on Divisional Activities
- (d) Committee on Local Section Activities
- (e) Committee on Economic and Professional Affairs
- (f) Committee on Constitution and Bylaws

(3) Society Committees

- (a) Committee on Budget and Finance
- (b) Committee on Education

(4) Joint Board-Council Committees **(listed elsewhere in these Standing Rules)**

b. All Committees shall report in the manner provided in ~~the Bylaws~~ **these Standing Rules**. ~~(1/1/78)~~

c. Elected Committees of the Council

(1) The Council shall elect the Council Policy Committee, of which the President shall serve as Chair and the Secretary of the SOCIETY shall serve as Secretary ex officio. ~~(1/1/77)~~

(2) The Council shall elect the Committee on Nominations and Elections, which in turn shall elect its Chair from its own membership.

(3) The Council shall elect the Committee on Committees, on which the President-Elect shall serve as a member ex officio. The Committee shall elect its Chair from among its own membership. ~~(1/1/74)~~

d. Standing Committees of the Council

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(1) The Council shall provide for such Standing Committees, composed wholly of voting Councilors, as it deems necessary to explore all matters in which the Council has an interest. (~~1/1/78~~)

(2) Each Standing Committee of the Council shall be responsible to the Council, shall report to the Council Policy Committee and the Council at each meeting of such bodies, and shall submit a comprehensive summary or full report of its activities to be made a part of the ~~printed~~ **official** record. (~~1/1/78~~)

(3) The Chair of each Standing Committee shall be appointed by the President, with the advice of the Committee on Committees, for one calendar year, each individual being limited to three successive one-year terms as Chair of the same Committee. (~~11/19/74~~)

(4) Each Standing Committee annually shall elect one of its members to serve as Secretary.

(5) A member of a Standing Committee shall serve two calendar years, and shall be permitted only three successive two-year terms on the same committee. (~~1/1/70~~)

(6) The President, with the advice of the Committee on Committees, shall appoint voting Councilors to the various Standing Committees and fill vacancies in such a manner as to produce rotation. (~~11/19/74~~)

(7) Each Standing Committee shall consist of not fewer than twelve and not more than twenty members, except on special authorization of the Council. (~~6/8/01~~)

(8) The Chair and other members of each Standing Committee must be qualified voting Councilors when appointed. If any member of a Standing Committee becomes disqualified, that member shall be dropped and a vacancy declared, except that the President may postpone until the end of the calendar year dropping from the Committee a Councilor so disqualified and the simultaneous declaration of a vacancy if such postponement will significantly benefit the operations of the Committee. (~~6/8/91~~)

e. Society Committees

(1) There shall be Society Committees as provided ~~in the Bylaws~~ **elsewhere in these Standing Rules** to aid both the Council and the Board of Directors in the performance of their functions. Society Committees shall be composed of voting Councilors, including Directors, and may, when deemed appropriate, include other members of the Society, as provided in the Bylaws. (~~1/1/78~~)

(2) Each Society Committee shall be responsible to the Board of Directors on all matters relating to fiscal affairs, and to both the Board and the Council on all other matters. Each Society Committee shall report to the Council Policy Committee, to the Council, and to the Board of Directors at each meeting of such bodies. In addition, each Society Committee shall report upon request to the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors when the Executive Committee wishes to act for the Board between Board meetings. A written report of each Society Committee's activities shall be made a part of the printed record. (~~1/1/78~~)

(3) The Chair of each Society Committee shall be a voting Councilor and shall be appointed jointly by the President and the Chair of the Board, with the advice of the Committee on Committees, for one calendar year, each individual being limited to three successive one-year terms as Chair of the same Committee. However, a Chair shall continue to serve until a successor has been appointed. (~~1/1/78~~)

(4) Each Society Committee annually shall elect one of its members who is a voting Councilor to serve as Vice-Chair. (~~1/1/82~~)

(5) A member of a Society Committee shall serve a term of three calendar years, and shall be permitted only three successive three-year terms on the same Society Committee. A member of a Society Committee may also be a member of another committee with related responsibilities. (~~1/1/78~~)

(6) Appointment to Society Committees shall be arranged so as to provide rotation. With the advice of the Committee on Committees, each year one member shall be appointed by the President, one member shall be appointed by the Chair of the Board of Directors, and any other vacancies shall be filled by joint appointments. (~~1/1/78~~)

(7) Each Society Committee shall consist of not fewer than twelve and not more than twenty members. (~~11/2/02~~)

(8) Appointees shall be selected such that at the time of appointment the Chair and at least two-thirds (2/3) of each Society Committee are qualified voting Councilors. (4/1/78)

f. *Meetings of Society Committees and Standing Committees of the Council*

Each Society Committee and each Standing Committee shall encourage the expression of member opinion on SOCIETY matters within its field of duties, and whenever possible shall allow reasonable time for members to make their views known before appropriate action is taken. To accomplish this, each such Committee shall hold at least one open and one executive meeting during each national meeting of the SOCIETY at which the Council meets, and well before the date of these meetings shall publicize the major topics to be discussed and the time and place of the open meeting. Except for routine matters or those requiring immediate action, no Committee recommendation shall be presented for Council action until the topic has been discussed in an open meeting at a previous national meeting of the SOCIETY at which the Council met. At other national meetings of the SOCIETY, those members of each Committee who may be in attendance are urged to be available for informal discussions at a time and place publicized in advance. (4/1/78)

g. *Other Joint Board-Council Committees*

(1) Other Joint Board-Council Committees, responsible to both bodies, may be established by joint resolution of the Council and the Board of Directors. These committees may serve any purposes that the establishing bodies determine to be appropriate; the responsibilities and lifetime of each shall be stipulated in the founding resolution. The Committee on Committees shall review each of these committees not less often than every five years and shall advise the Council and the Board of Directors whether it should be continued. (12/5/82)

(2) Each Other Joint Board-Council Committee shall be responsible to the Board of Directors on all matters relating to fiscal and legal affairs and property rights, and to both the Board and the Council on all other matters. Each Other Joint Board-Council Committee shall report to the Council Policy Committee, to the Council, and to the Board of Directors at least once a year. In addition, each Other Joint Board-Council Committee shall report upon request to the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors when the Executive Committee wishes to act for the Board between Board meetings. A written report of each Other Joint Board-Council Committee's activities shall be made a part of the official record. (3/1/79)

(3) The Chair of each Other Joint Board-Council Committee shall be appointed jointly by the President and the Chair of the Board, with the advice of the Committee on Committees, for one calendar year, each individual being limited to three successive one-year terms as Chair of a given Committee. However, a Chair shall continue to serve until a successor has been appointed. (3/1/79)

(4) Other Joint Board-Council Committees may have any composition of membership and size that the establishing bodies determine would be most effective in accomplishing the desired results. Except when membership is specified owing to simultaneous service on certain Council- or Board-related SOCIETY bodies, appointments to Other Joint Board-Council Committees shall be for three-year terms, arranged so as to provide rotation. The President, with the advice of the Committee on Committees, shall appoint one member and the Chair of the Board of Directors shall appoint one member each year; any other vacancies shall be filled by joint appointments. If in any year a single vacancy occurs, it shall be filled by joint appointment. (3/1/79)

(5) A Committee member shall be permitted only three consecutive three-year terms on a given Other Joint Board-Council Committee. (3/1/79)

h. *Other Committees of the Council*

(1) The Council may provide for Other Committees, members of which need not be Councilors, to consider and report upon SOCIETY matters within the Council's jurisdiction. (4/1/78) Other Committees of the Council, responsible to that body, may be established by the Council or the Council Policy Committee. These committees may serve any purposes that the Council or the Council Policy Committee determine to be appropriate; ~~the responsibilities and lifetime of each shall be stipulated in~~

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~~the founding resolution.~~ The Committee on Committees shall review each committee not less often than every five years and shall advise the Council whether it should be continued. (~~11/12/87~~)

(2) Each Other Committee shall report to the Council Policy Committee and to the Council at least once a year. A written report of each Other Committee's activities shall be made a part of the official record. (~~11/12/87~~)

(3) The Chair of each Other Committee shall be appointed by the President, with the advice of the Committee on Committees, for one calendar year, each individual being limited to three successive one-year terms as Chair of a given Committee. However, the President may waive this three-term limit in specific instances. A Chair shall continue to serve until a successor has been appointed. (~~11/12/87~~)

(4) Other Committees may have any composition of membership and size that the Council or the Council Policy Committee determines would be most effective in accomplishing the desired results. Appointments to Other Committees shall be for three-year terms, arranged so as to provide rotation. The President, with the advice of the Committee on Committees, shall appoint the members of each Other Committee. (~~11/12/87~~)

(5) A Committee member shall be permitted only three consecutive three-year terms on a given Other Committee. However, the President may waive this rule in specific instances. (~~11/12/87~~)

~~Personnel of all other committees shall be selected in the manner provided in the Bylaws.~~ (1/1/78)

i. Eligibility

Except as otherwise provided in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**, no Councilor shall be a voting member of more than one committee of the group comprising the Society Committees, the elected Committees of the Council, and the Standing Committees of the Council, provided, however, that the Council may waive this rule in specific instances if reasons convincing to the Council are supplied. (~~4/1/78~~)

j. Size of Council-Related SOCIETY Bodies

The Council shall set the size of the Council-related SOCIETY bodies within limits set elsewhere in these Bylaws, upon advice of the Committee on Committees, and with the concurrence of the Board on the size of those which are also Board-related. (~~6/10/78~~)

k. Vacancies on Council-Related SOCIETY Bodies

Except as provided elsewhere in ~~the Bylaws~~ **these Standing Rules**, vacancies on Council-related SOCIETY bodies shall be construed as occurring when an incumbent's term is completed or when the Committee on Committees learns that the incumbent is unable to complete the current term and when the appointing authorities have been so notified. (~~9/15/78~~)

4. Meetings of the Council

a. Agenda

(1) The agenda for meetings of the Council shall be under the jurisdiction of the Council Policy Committee.

(2) Copies of the general agenda and appendix material shall be **sent or provided** ~~mailed~~ to each Councilor and Alternate Councilor at least three, and preferably six, weeks before each meeting of the Council.

(3) Detailed agenda may be distributed at the opening of or during the meeting of the Council.

(4) Written reports of the officers and the committees included in the agenda of a meeting of the Council shall be part of the official record of that meeting unless the Council decides to the contrary for any given report. (~~9/15/78~~)

b. Schedule of Meetings

(1) For each meeting of the SOCIETY at which the Council is scheduled to meet, the Council Policy Committee, in collaboration with the Board of Directors, shall prepare a schedule of allotted meeting times for the Board of Directors, the Council, and the Council Policy Committee. (~~11/19/74~~)

(2) This schedule shall be ~~mailed~~ **sent** to each Councilor and Alternate Councilor at least six weeks before the meeting of the Council.

c. Admission

(1) Each Councilor and Alternate Councilor who has been certified in accordance with provisions of this ~~Standing Rule-Bylaw~~ shall be admitted to a Council meeting on signing a prescribed form. (6/8/94)

(2) A representative of an Ex Officio Councilor or a representative of a nonvoting Councilor, authorized in the Bylaws, shall be admitted to a Council meeting upon presenting authorization from the said Councilor and signing a prescribed form. (7/2/57)

d. Recorded Vote

Any member of the Council may call for a recorded vote on the current action before the Council, other than an election, at any time before voting using a method from which it can be determined how each Councilor voted has commenced. Upon approval by three-tenths (3/10) of the Councilors voting, a recorded vote shall be taken without an intervening recess, either at the close of the debate or when approved, whichever is later. The recorded vote shall be administered using a voting method from which it shall be determined how each Councilor voted. The record of each Councilor's vote shall appear promptly in the official organ of the SOCIETY. (6/1/12)

e. *Ad Interim* Actions

(1) The Council Policy Committee may act *ad interim* for the Council in all matters except amendment of the Constitution and Bylaws. (11/16/87)

(2) Elections normally conducted by the Council may be conducted *ad interim* by the Council to fill a vacancy, except a vacancy on the Council Policy Committee, and shall be by a ballot of all voting Councilors from nominees provided in accordance with the Bylaws **and these Standing Rules** for the office concerned. (10/19/04)

(3) Informal opinions may be secured by a ballot at any time at the request of the Board of Directors or any Standing Committee, without notice. (10/19/04)

(4) Distribution of ballots to voting Councilors, other than that specifically ordered in the Bylaws, shall be done only with the approval of the Council Policy Committee. (10/19/04)

5. *Dues*

a. For 1986 the base rate upon which membership dues shall be calculated shall be \$69. For each succeeding year the base rate shall be the dues established for the previous year. For 1986 and each succeeding year, an amount shall be calculated by multiplying the base rate by a factor ~~which-that~~ is the ratio of the revised Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (Service Category) for the second year previous to the dues year to the value of the index for the third year previous to the dues year, as published by the United States Department of Labor, with fractional dollar amounts rounded to the nearest whole dollar. At its spring meeting, the Council may set the dues for the succeeding year at that calculated amount or at the amount of the previous year's dues or at some intermediate whole dollar amount. Should the Council not act, the dues shall become the rounded calculated amount. The membership dues so determined shall be announced to the membership by the Treasurer of the SOCIETY in the official organ of the SOCIETY six months before the effective date of each change. Members not requesting any of the discounts provided elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules** may elect a dues period of one year, two years, or three years. The dues rate for two-year or three-year periods shall be two times or three times, respectively, the full annual dues rate established for the first year of the period. (9/15/09)

b. In addition to the dues so determined, members and Society Affiliates residing outside the United States shall pay a surcharge to reflect additional mailing costs incurred by the SOCIETY in providing delivery of the official organ of the SOCIETY. The method of setting this surcharge shall be defined in SOCIETY Regulations. The surcharge shall not be subject to the dues discounts provided elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**. (11/2/02)

c. An allocation from dues revenue shall cover the printing and distribution cost of copies for all MEMBERS and Society Affiliates of the editorial portion of the official organ of the SOCIETY. The allocation shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, on recommendation of the Society Committee on

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Budget and Finance. The Board shall report the amount of the allocation through the Society Committee on Budget and Finance at the next Council meeting. ~~(6/30/09)~~

d. The subscription term for the official organ shall correspond to the membership period. ~~(11/2/02)~~

e. An annual allocation from SOCIETY funds equivalent to 20 percent of SOCIETY dues revenue applicable to the second preceding year shall be made to provide for financial support of Local Sections and Divisions. This allocation shall be divided between Local Sections and Divisions with 55 percent of the allocation for Local Section support and 45 percent of the allocation for Division support. ~~(9/15/09)~~

f. All funds collected as SOCIETY dues revenue are obligated for Local Section and Division support use up to the amount of the allocation. The SOCIETY must distribute allocations to each Local Section and Division, unless a Local Section or Division is not in compliance with reporting requirements. Unclaimed allocations will stay in either the Local Section or Division fund pool for redistribution in the current year. The formula for such redistribution shall be at the discretion of the Committee on Local Section Activities or the Committee on Divisional Activities, respectively. ~~(6/6/03)~~

g. The allotment to a Local Section or Division established during the SOCIETY's financial year shall be based on the membership count of the Local Section or Division when established. Funds may be drawn in proportion to the fraction of the financial year remaining. A Local Section or Division established during a financial year shall receive funds for the following financial year also based upon the membership count when established. ~~(6/23/03)~~

h. The payment of the allotment to a Local Section or Division may be conditioned on the fulfillment of reporting requirements, as provided in ~~the Bylaws~~ **these Standing Rules**. ~~(6/23/03)~~

6. *Student Chapters*

a. Student Chapters may be established at educational institutions such as two-year colleges, colleges, and universities. Such Chapters shall be subordinate organizations of the educational institution at which they are formed and not of the SOCIETY. The Society Committee on Education shall act for the Council in all matters concerning Student Chapters as provided elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**. ~~(6/30/09)~~

b. Student Chapters shall receive no allotment of funds from the SOCIETY and shall not be entitled to elected representation on the Council. A Student Chapter may, in accordance with the Regulations, assess Student Chapter dues to be expended for its purposes. The SOCIETY may make programmatic funding available to Student Chapters in furtherance of the ~~objects~~ **Purposes** of the SOCIETY. ~~(6/30/09)~~

STANDING RULE III Committees Function

1. **The Committee on Committees shall be responsible for the Committees Function.**

The duties of the Committee on Committees shall include **the following, inter alia:**

a. act for the Council in the selection of the Council-related SOCIETY bodies by assisting and advising in the appointment of the chairs and members of such SOCIETY bodies; ~~(6/10/78)~~

b. study and make recommendations to the Council concerning the responsibilities and size of all Council-related SOCIETY bodies, including proposals to disband, create, or merge them; ~~(6/10/78)~~

c. coordinate the agenda and meeting times of the Standing Committees of the Council and Society Committees and assure adequate exchanges of views on issues of general concern; ~~(1/1/78)~~

d. make recommendations on the assignment of substantive responsibility to committees for review of petitions to amend the Constitution, and Bylaws; ~~(11/19/74)~~

e. appoint members to fill vacancies that have existed longer than sixty days on the Council-related SOCIETY bodies whose members or chairs are normally appointed by the President; **and** ~~(9/15/78)~~

f. participate as members of a group which acts to fill vacancies that have existed longer than sixty days on the Council-related SOCIETY bodies whose members or chairs are normally appointed jointly by the President and the Chair of the Board; all members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors who are not appointing authorities comprise the other members of said group. (9/15/78)

2. The Committee on Committees is an Elected Committee of the Council, as described elsewhere in these Standing Rules.

3. The Committee on Committees shall be composed of the President-Elect and fifteen elected members who must qualify as voting Councilors.

4. Election of Councilors to the Committee on Committees shall be arranged so as to provide rotation. Each year the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall propose the names of not fewer than twice as many voting Councilors for membership on the Committee on Committees as there are members whose terms are expiring. Not later than October 1 the Council shall elect from a list of nominees a number of members corresponding to the number of vacancies on the Committee on Committees for a term of three years beginning with the first day of January following, ~~provided, however, that a~~ Nominations for membership on the Council Policy Committee ~~also may~~ **also** be made ~~on-by~~ petition of 25 Councilors. (7/2/57)

5. No elected Councilor shall serve more than two successive terms of three years each on the Committee on Committees.

6. Each year the Committee on Committees shall elect a Chair and a Secretary from its membership. (9/14/79)

7. If a member or member-elect of the Committee on Committees fails at any time to qualify as a voting Councilor, that member shall thereafter remain a member of the Committee and a voting Councilor for one additional year or to the end of that member's term on the Committee, whichever is shorter. (6/8/91)

8. Any vacancy on the Committee on Committees shall be filled by the Council. (5/7/76)

9. The Council shall elect the Committee on Committees, on which the President-Elect shall serve as a member ex officio. The Committee shall elect its Chair from among its own membership. (11/19/74)

**STANDING RULE IV
Elections Function**

1. The Committee on Nominations and Elections shall be responsible for the Elections Function.

The duties of the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall **include the following, inter alia:**

a. receiving from members suggestions of persons who should be considered when selecting proposed nominees for SOCIETY offices; receive proposals for nomination by a Councilor petition as provided elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**; and receive nominating petitions as provided ~~in~~ elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**; (4/1/09)

b. preparing a panel of nominees for District Directors and President-Elect, and of candidates for Director-at-Large, together with a summary of the qualifications of those named; (1/1/01)

c. supervising all SOCIETY elections, except for the power expressly reserved to the Council Policy Committee to set aside the results of a disputed national or District election and to require a new election; (1/1/01)

d. receiving and review credentials of Councilors and determine eligibility for admittance to the Council meetings;

e. conducting elections in the Council; **and** (1/1/63)

f. serving as an election appeals board for all Local Section or Division elections: establish regulations for conduct of election appeals, investigating allegations of improper election procedures, and determining if violations have occurred; order new elections if necessary to insure validity; submit

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charges of conduct as defined in the Constitution, Article IV, Sec. 3, when it has reason to believe that significant election procedure violations have occurred. (11/12/87)

2. **The Committee on Nominations and Elections is an Elected Committee of the Council, as described elsewhere in these Standing Rules.**

3. The Committee on Nominations and Elections shall be composed of fifteen voting Councilors. (1/1/71)

a. Election of Councilors to the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall be arranged so as to provide rotation. Each year the Council Policy Committee shall propose the names of not fewer than twice as many voting Councilors for membership on the Committee on Nominations and Elections as there are members whose terms are expiring. Not later than October 1 the Council shall elect from the list of nominees a number of members corresponding to the number of vacancies on the Committee on Nominations and Elections for a term of three years beginning with the first day of January following, ~~provided, however, that n~~ Nominations for membership on the Council Policy Committee ~~also may~~ **also** be made ~~on~~ **by** petition of 25 Councilors. (1/1/71)

b. No Councilor shall serve more than two successive terms of three years each on the Committee on Nominations and Elections.

c. Each year the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall elect a Chair and a Secretary from its membership.

d. Each member of the Committee on Nominations and Elections must be a qualified voting Councilor when elected. If a member or member-elect of the Committee on Nominations and Elections fails at any time to qualify as a voting Councilor, that member shall thereafter remain a member of the Committee and a voting Councilor for one additional year or to the end of that member's term on the Committee, whichever is shorter. (6/8/91)

e. Any vacancy on the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall be filled by the Council.

4. The Council shall elect the Committee on Nominations and Elections, which in turn shall elect its Chair from its own membership.

5. The Committee on Nominations and Elections may admit to a Council meeting, under such rules as the committee may develop, a limited number of non-Councilors whose presence will benefit the meeting or the operation of the SOCIETY. (9/18/56)

6. Manner of Election

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a. A candidate is a MEMBER whose name appears on the final ballot that elects a person to office. A nominee is a MEMBER whose name appears on an earlier ballot from which the Councilors select candidates. (9/24/94)

b. When there are two candidates, a single-choice ballot shall be used, and the candidate receiving the greater number of votes shall be declared elected. (9/29/94)

c. When there are more than two candidates, a preferential ballot shall be used, and the election shall be conducted using procedures developed by the Committee on Nominations and Elections and approved by the Council. Any modifications or changes to these procedures shall be approved by the Council. (1/1/16)

7. *President-Elect*

a. The President-Elect shall be elected by the membership of the SOCIETY as provided in the Bylaws.

b. On or before January 15, the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall ~~transmit~~ **send** to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY, for presentation to the Council, the names of four MEMBERS of the SOCIETY as nominees for President-Elect. (9/29/94)

c. The Council, at a meeting to be held not later than May 1, shall select as candidates for President-Elect two of the nominees presented under the provisions of these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**, using preferential voting. ~~(1/1/16)~~

d. Members of the SOCIETY may nominate additional candidates for President-Elect by providing to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** by July 15, nominating petitions endorsed by at least one-half (1/2) percent of the SOCIETY membership entitled to vote in the SOCIETY's most recent fall election, with neither more than one-sixth (1/6) of that from members of a single Local Section nor more than two-thirds (2/3) from any one District of the SOCIETY. Each member may nominate no more than one candidate for President-Elect in a given election. The names of any candidates duly nominated by petition shall be included on the ballot along with the names of those candidates selected by the Council. ~~(6/7/08)~~

e. On or before October 10, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall distribute to each member of the SOCIETY a ballot containing the names of all candidates for President-Elect and constructed as provided herein. ~~(6/2/07)~~

8. All vacancies shall be filled as provided in ~~the Bylaws~~ **these Standing Rules**, unless otherwise provided in the Constitution.

9. No funds or facilities of the SOCIETY, its Local Sections, or Divisions shall be used to support or oppose a candidate or nominee except as provided in ~~the Bylaws~~ **these Standing Rules**. ~~(11/21/94)~~

10. Unresolved disputes concerning elections in Local Sections or Divisions shall be referred by the Secretary of the SOCIETY to the ~~Council~~ Committee on Nominations and Elections for investigation and resolution. The Committee shall have the power to set aside the results of a disputed election and to require a new election. ~~(11/16/87)~~

11. Unresolved disputes concerning District and national elections shall be referred by the Committee on Nominations and Elections, to the Council Policy Committee for investigation and resolution. The Council Policy Committee shall have the power to set aside the results of a disputed election and to require a new election. ~~(1/1/01)~~

12. *Director-at-Large*

a. On or before January 15, the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall ~~transmit~~ **send** to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY the names of the MEMBERS of the SOCIETY selected as candidates for the positions of Director-at-Large to be filled. The number of such candidates shall be at least twice the number of such positions to be filled. These names shall be announced to the Council at a meeting to be held not later than May 1. ~~(9/29/94)~~

b. Members of the SOCIETY may nominate additional candidates for Director-at-Large by providing to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** by July 15, nominating petitions endorsed by at least one-fourth (1/4) percent of the SOCIETY membership entitled to vote in the SOCIETY's most recent fall national election, with neither more than one-sixth (1/6) of that from members of a single Local Section nor more than two-thirds (2/3) from any one District of the SOCIETY. Each member may nominate no more than one candidate per Director-at-Large position in a given election. The names of any candidates duly nominated by petition shall be included on the ballot along with those nominated by the Committee on Nominations and Elections. ~~(6/7/08)~~

c. On or before October 10, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall distribute to each voting Councilor a ballot containing the names of all candidates for the positions of Director-at-Large to be filled. ~~(1/1/16)~~

d. Directors-at-Large shall be elected by the Council. ~~They Directors-at-Large, District Directors, and Councilors from Divisions and Local Sections~~ shall be elected in a manner to produce rotation. ~~(1/1/01)~~

13. *District Director*

a. For the purpose of electing District Directors, there shall be six geographic Districts. To provide equitable representation, the member population of each District shall be within 10 percent of the result

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obtained by dividing by six the number of members whose addresses lie within the United States and Canada. Each District shall be made up of whole, neighboring Local Sections, plus those members not belonging to any Local Section who have their addresses in specified states, provinces, or counties. The Committee on Nominations and Elections shall review annually the distribution of member population within the six Districts as defined by the official count. It shall recommend to the Council such redefined District boundaries as are necessary to satisfy the provisions contained herein. The Council shall act upon this recommendation in sufficient time for any adopted changes to take effect January 1 following. The Council in creating a new Local Section shall designate the District to which it is assigned. ~~(1/1/01)~~

b. Each member whose address lies within the United States and Canada shall be entitled to vote for the office of District Director from that District in which is located the member's Local Section or, lacking one, the member's address. The address of a member is that to which the official organ of the SOCIETY is sent. ~~(1/1/01)~~

c. On or before January 15, the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall ~~transmit~~ **send** to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY the names of not fewer than four MEMBERS of the SOCIETY as nominees for each position of District Director to be filled. Each nominee must be entitled to vote in the District electing the District Director for which the nominee would be a candidate. When elected, each District Director may serve a complete term despite changes in Local Section or address or in any District boundary. ~~(1/1/01)~~

d. On or before March 1, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall send a preferential ballot to each Councilor in the District electing a District Director; the ballot shall contain the names of the nominees for District Director of that District, as selected by the Committee on Nominations and Elections. This primary election shall be conducted using procedures developed by the Committee on Nominations and Elections and approved by the Council. Ballots shall be returned no later than four weeks after the ballots are distributed. ~~(1/1/16)~~

e. One percent of the members of the SOCIETY entitled to vote in the District electing a District Director, not more than one-third (1/3) of whom are assigned to any one Local Section, may nominate a candidate for District Director by filing a petition with the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** by July 15. Each member may nominate no more than one candidate for District Director in a given election. A petition candidate must be entitled to vote in the District electing the District Director for which the MEMBER is a candidate. The names of any petition candidates shall be included on the ballot along with the names of those selected by the District's Councilors. ~~(10/19/04)~~

f. On or before October 10, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall distribute to each member of the SOCIETY entitled to vote in the District electing a District Director a ballot containing the names of all the candidates for Director from that District and constructed as provided herein. ~~(6/2/07)~~

~~g. District Directors shall be elected by the membership of the Districts from which they are to serve. (1/1/01)~~

~~g. Directors at Large, District Directors, and Councilors from Divisions and Local Sections shall be elected in a manner to produce rotation. (1/1/01)~~

14. *Nomination for President-Elect by Councilor Petition*

Wherever in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules** provision is made for selection of candidates for President-Elect by the Council from a list of nominees presented by its Committee on Nominations and Elections, nothing herein shall prohibit petitions for nomination from the floor at the Council meeting provided that such petitions are submitted in writing and signed by not fewer than 50 Councilors present at the meeting and provided that not more than one-third (1/3) of such Councilors shall be MEMBERS of any one Local Section. MEMBERS whose names are so presented shall become nominees for that office. ~~(9/29/94)~~

15. *Terms of Office*

a. Each Local Section Councilor and Alternate Councilor and each Division Councilor and Alternate Councilor shall serve the term specified **elsewhere in these Standing Rules** ~~in the Constitution,~~

beginning on the first day of January following election, or until a successor shall have been chosen and qualifies. ~~(6/8/91)~~

b. Each Director-at-Large and each District Director shall serve the term specified in the Constitution, beginning on the first day of January following election, or until a successor shall have been chosen and qualifies. ~~(1/1/01)~~

16. *Withdrawal or Death of Candidate*

a. The Committee on Nominations and Elections shall ensure that in each election for the offices of President-Elect, Director-at-Large, and District Director, there shall be at least two candidates for each position to be filled. If the number of candidates falls below two, the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall add the name next in line from the same candidate selection process. ~~(1/1/01)~~

b. Should such a deficiency of candidates for a specific elective office occur after the ballots have been sent and before the established deadline for return of ballots, the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall declare the election void for that particular office. The Committee shall then provide an additional candidate or candidates, if necessary. Provisions shall be made for additional submission and validation of petition candidates. New ballots shall be prepared and the election resumed on a schedule established by the Committee on Nominations and Elections. ~~(10/19/04)~~

c. Should there be a death or withdrawal of a candidate in an election in which there remain two or more candidates for each position to be filled, the election shall proceed. The Committee on Nominations and Elections shall ensure that the winning candidate for President-Elect or District Director in each case receives a majority of the votes cast for the position, by a run-off election if necessary. In the case of Director-at-Large, the candidates receiving the greatest numbers of votes shall be declared elected. ~~(1/1/01)~~

d. Should a preferential (three-person) election be in progress when a candidate dies or withdraws, all first choices for that candidate shall be disregarded, but the second choices on those first choice ballots shall be credited to the appropriate candidates. ~~(9/29/94)~~

e. The preceding provisions of this Section are applicable only until such time as the ballots have been received and counted; thereafter, a person unable to assume office at the beginning of the term shall be replaced according to the provisions of these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**. ~~(9/29/94)~~

17. *Vacancies in Office*

a. A vacancy in any office filled by vote of the Council, except on the Council Policy Committee, shall be filled by the Council for the unexpired term of said office as soon as practicable after the vacancy occurs. If the unexpired term is less than one year, the vacancy shall be filled by election for a period equal to the unexpired term plus a full term as specified in **these Standing Rules** ~~the Constitution or Bylaws~~. For purposes of determining eligibility for self-succession, this combined period of service shall be construed equivalent to a regular full term. ~~(1/1/68)~~

b. A vacancy in the office of District Director, if the unexpired term is more than one year, shall be filled for the unexpired term by vote of the members in the District affected as soon as practicable after the vacancy occurs. If the unexpired term is one year or less and time permits, the vacancy shall be filled as soon as practicable for the period of the unexpired term plus a full term by vote of the members in the District affected as specified in **these Standing Rules** ~~the Bylaws~~. If insufficient time is available to conduct the election of a District Director by vote of the members of the District affected, then the District Director shall be selected by vote of the Councilors in the District affected but shall serve only for the period of the unexpired term. ~~(1/1/01)~~

c. A vacancy in the office of President-Elect shall be filled as soon as practicable after the vacancy occurs by ballot of the Council from among the other nominees in the previous election and any petition candidates. ~~(10/19/04)~~

d. Nomination for any vacancy shall be made in accordance with the Bylaws pertaining to nominations for the office concerned.

e. A vacancy in any office filled by vote of a Local Section or Division shall be filled in accordance with its bylaws by the Local Section or Division concerned as soon as practicable after the

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vacancy occurs. Such changes in office shall be reported promptly to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY. Any vacancy in the position of Councilor or Alternate Councilor shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term in one of the following manners: (1) in a predetermined order of succession as provided in the bylaws of the Local Section or Division from among Alternate Councilors and/or unsuccessful candidates for these positions, (2) by means of a special election, or (3) at the time of the next annual election. If the third option is used, the vacancy may be filled until the next annual election by appointment by the governing body of the Local Section or Division. (10/19/04)

18. *Eligibility*

a. Incumbency of one office shall not render anyone ineligible to another, except as provided in this Section. (9/29/94)

b. If any MEMBER who is already a Councilor or Director shall be elected to an office which includes ex officio membership on the Council or Board of Directors, acceptance of such office shall be considered to involve resignation of the former position as Councilor or Director, and the position thus vacated shall be filled in the manner prescribed in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**. (9/29/94)

c. Irrespective of other provisions of these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules**, no nominee shall become a candidate unless the nominee has indicated in writing a willingness to serve if elected. It shall be the responsibility of the group submitting a nomination to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** or to the Council to present to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, prior to balloting, evidence that the nominee is willing to serve if elected. (9/29/94)

19. *Tie Vote*

a. In the event of a tie vote among the winning nominees in the selection process of candidates for any elective office, all nominees involved in the tie shall be placed on the ballot as candidates. (9/29/94)

b. Tie votes in the election of President-Elect and Directors shall be resolved by a ballot of the Council. (10/19/04)

c. Tie votes for any office in an annual election of a Local Section or Division shall be resolved in accordance with its bylaws by its governing body, or by vote of its members either at an election meeting or by ballot. (10/19/04)

20. *Requirements for Balloting*

a. In balloting for President-Elect, District Director, and Director-at-Large, biographies and statements for all candidates and nominees, as appropriate, shall be conveyed with the ballots if they are received by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** at least thirty days before the scheduled date for distributing the ballots. (10/19/04)

b. The Committee on Nominations and Elections shall set and announce in advance of the balloting for President-Elect, District Director, and Director-at-Large the interval during which ballots must be received to be counted; this interval shall be not less than four nor more than seven weeks following distribution of the ballots. (10/19/04)

c. For all SOCIETY balloting the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall establish and submit to the Council Policy Committee for their approval balloting procedures that meet the requirements of (1) fair balloting that is open to all eligible members of the SOCIETY, (2) anonymity, (3) protection against fraudulent balloting, (4) ballot archiving, and (5) the timely reporting and archiving of balloting results. (10/19/04)

d. The ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** and at least one member of the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall together be responsible for the counting of ballots received within the interval and shall certify the results. (10/19/04)

21. *Procedure for Special Elections*

If, in a specific nomination or election, circumstances do not permit the procedures prescribed elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules** to be carried out, the Committee on Nominations and

Elections shall forthwith devise a special procedure. If such election will have the effect of filling an office for a longer period than six months, the special procedure shall include an opportunity for nomination of candidates by petition, which differs from the regular procedure for the office involved only in the date that petitions must be received by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**. Such procedure shall be ~~transmitted~~ **sent** to and publicized promptly by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**, and used for that specific nomination or election. ~~(9/29/94)~~

22. *Fair Election Procedures*

All elections and election campaigns for office in the SOCIETY, its Local Sections, and its Divisions shall be carried out according to the following:

a. No funds of the SOCIETY, its Local Sections, or its Divisions shall be used to support or to oppose the candidacy of an individual or group of individuals. No facilities, such as office space, equipment, or supplies; official letterhead; or mailing permit of the SOCIETY, its Local Sections, or its Divisions shall be used to support or oppose the candidacy of an individual or group of individuals, except as provided in this Section. ~~(9/29/94)~~

b. If space in a SOCIETY, Local Section, or Division publication, other than a paid advertisement at commercial rates, be used to support or to oppose the candidacy of an individual, space must be made available simultaneously and equally to support or to oppose the candidacy of every other candidate for the same office.

c. For the purpose of distributing campaign material, candidates for office shall have the right to use the membership list of those members eligible to vote for that office. All costs associated with preparation and use of the distribution lists shall be borne by the candidate. ~~(10/19/04)~~

d. If in a Local Section or Division election the Committee on Nominations and Elections finds a significant violation of the **provisions in the Constitution, and Bylaws, or Standing Rules** provisions regulating election procedures, **for** which **the** violation appears to benefit the winning candidate, the Committee may declare the election void and order a new election to fill the vacancy. Opportunity shall be provided for a candidate whose election is challenged, and the challenger(s), to state their views and convey such comments with any correspondence on the subject to the Committee. Opportunity shall be provided for full discussion by all candidates before the Committee, or a decision may be rendered by balloting if that course of action is preferred by all candidates involved. A positive vote by two-thirds **(2/3)** of the entire Committee shall be required to declare an election void. No candidate in the disputed election shall vote in the Committee on this decision. The SOCIETY shall hear no further appeal from this decision. ~~(10/19/04)~~

e. If in a District or national election the Council Policy Committee finds a significant violation of the Constitution, ~~and Bylaws, or Standing Rules~~ provisions regulating election procedures, **for** which **the** violation appears to benefit the winning candidate, the Committee may declare the election void and order the Committee on Nominations and Elections to carry out a new election. Opportunity shall be provided for a candidate whose election is challenged, and the challenger(s), to state their views and convey such comments with any correspondence on the subject to the Council Policy Committee. Opportunity shall be provided for full discussion by all candidates before the Council Policy Committee, or a decision may be rendered by balloting if that course of action is preferred by all candidates involved. A positive vote by two-thirds (2/3) of the membership of the Council Policy Committee shall be required to declare an election void. No candidate in the disputed election shall vote in the Committee on this decision. The SOCIETY shall hear no further appeal from this decision. ~~(10/19/04)~~

STANDING RULE V

~~Constitution and Bylaws~~ **Governing Documents Function**

1. **The Committee on Constitution and Bylaws shall be responsible for the** ~~Constitution and Bylaws Governing Documents Function.~~

The duties of the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws shall include the following, *inter alia*:

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- a. ~~performing~~ the duties assigned in the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY **and these Standing Rules**;
 - b. ~~reviewing~~ provisions of the Constitution, ~~and/or~~ Bylaws, **and Standing Rules** and **initiate** ~~initiating~~ such action as may seem appropriate;
 - c. ~~interpreting~~ and ~~initiate~~ such action as may seem appropriate to eliminate conflicts in the Constitution, ~~and/or~~ Bylaws, **and/or Standing Rules**;
 - d. ~~reviewing~~ and ~~making~~ recommendations to the Council concerning desirable changes in the charter bylaws for new Local Sections and International Chemical Sciences Chapters, and in the bylaws for Divisions in probationary status; (11/18/91)
 - e. ~~reviewing~~ and ~~making~~ recommendations to the Council concerning the bylaws prepared by a Division in probationary status, submitted in accordance with the requirements of these **Standing Rules** ~~Bylaws~~ for the attainment of full divisional status;
 - f. ~~acting~~ for the Council in approving revisions and amendments of Local Section, International Chemical Sciences Chapters, and Division bylaws, submitted in accordance with the requirements of these Bylaws **and Standing Rules**; (11/18/91)
 - g. ~~determining~~ that proposed Local Section and Division Articles of Incorporation or proposed amendments of Articles of Incorporation submitted in accordance with the requirements of these **Bylaws and Standing Rules** are not inconsistent with the Charter, Constitution, ~~and/or~~ Bylaws, **and/or Standing Rules** of the SOCIETY, ~~acting~~ for the Council in conferring final approval upon Local Section and Division Articles of Incorporation or amendments thereof, and ~~performing~~ the same duties with respect to Articles of Incorporation or their equivalent for an International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter; **and** (11/18/91)
 - h. ~~acting~~ for the Council in determining that the requirements for affiliation of a Local Section with a local technical organization or a Division with other technical organizations, as set forth elsewhere in these **Standing Rules** ~~Bylaws~~, are fully met. (6/1/73)
2. **The Committee on Constitution and Bylaws is a Standing Committee of the Council, as described elsewhere in these Standing Rules.**

STANDING RULE VI Meetings Function

1. **The Committee on Meetings and Expositions shall be responsible for the Meetings Function.**
The duties of the Committee on Meetings and Expositions shall include the following, inter alia:
 - a. ~~studying~~ and make recommendations to the Council concerning policies and problems of meetings and expositions organized and operated by the SOCIETY, its Divisions, and groups of Local Sections;
 - b. ~~studying~~ and make recommendations to the Council on dates and locations of meetings and expositions sponsored by the SOCIETY; **and**
 - c. ~~cooperating~~ with the Committee on Divisional Activities in areas of mutual interest. (11/71)
2. In addition to the annual meeting, which shall be held between July 15 and October 1, there may be other national meetings each year. (1/1/63)
3. The organization of a national meeting of the SOCIETY shall be a responsibility of the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**. The organization and operation of any other meeting of the SOCIETY shall be the responsibility of the sponsoring group.
At any meeting of the SOCIETY, the order of business shall be in accordance with an agenda distributed in advance.
4. The various types of meetings to which reference is made in this **Standing Rule** ~~Bylaw~~ shall be defined as follows: (1/1/51)

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- a. A *national* meeting is one sponsored and arranged under the authorization of and in accordance with ~~the provisions of the Constitution~~ **these Standing Rules**. (1/1/51)
- b. A regional meeting is one sponsored and arranged jointly by Local Sections in some part of the country primarily to serve the members of the SOCIETY in that area. It is similar in scope, plans, and general purpose to a *national* meeting. (1/1/63)
- c. A divisional meeting is one sponsored and arranged by a Division or jointly by a small number of Divisions not as part of a *national* meeting. It is often devoted to the consideration of a single topic. (1/1/51)
- d. An *other major* meeting for the purpose of these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules** shall include any meeting other than those defined in paragraphs a, b, and c of this section, organized by the SOCIETY or one or more of its constituent units, including a meeting-in-miniature, a symposium held apart from a meeting defined in paragraph a, b, or c of this section, and a technical conference involving a program of multiple papers, but not including the regularly recurring meetings of a Local Section or one of its subsidiary units. (1/1/51)
- e. A cooperative meeting is one sponsored and arranged by the SOCIETY or one or more of its constituent units jointly with one or more non-~~ACS~~ **SOCIETY** organizations, but not including purely nominal sponsorship. (1/1/51)
5. Attendance at any *national, regional, divisional, or other major* meeting of the SOCIETY shall be limited to registered persons. (1/1/51)
- a. Each person, when registering at a meeting of the SOCIETY shall indicate one of the following classifications: (1) MEMBER of the SOCIETY; (2) nonmember chemical scientist; (3) STUDENT MEMBER; (4) other regularly matriculated student majoring in a chemical science or in a related field of natural science, engineering, technology, or science education at a college or university; (5) nonchemist visitor. (6/30/09)
- b. Each registrant at a *national* meeting of the SOCIETY shall pay a registration fee to be fixed by the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs e and f of this section.
- c. Each registrant at a *regional* or *divisional* meeting shall pay a registration fee to be fixed by the committee in charge of the meeting in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs e and f of this section. The sponsor or sponsors of an *other major* meeting may require each registrant to pay a registration fee. If a fee is to be charged, it shall be fixed by the committee in charge of the meeting in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs e and f of this section. (1/1/51)
- d. The registration fee at a *national, regional, divisional, or other major* meeting for a chemical scientist who is not a member of the SOCIETY shall be greater than the fee charged a member not taking into account reductions authorized by **these Standing Rules** ~~the Constitution and Bylaws~~ for certain persons. (10/16/01)
- e. The increase in registration fee, or surcharge, for such nonmembers at a *national* meeting shall be in accordance with a schedule set by the Board of Directors.
- f. The surcharge for such nonmembers at a *regional, divisional, or other major* meeting shall be set by the committee in charge of the meeting. (9/23/83)
- g. Such nonmembers shall be furnished with special badges to differentiate them from other registrants. (9/23/83)
- h. The registration fee at *national, regional, divisional, or other major* meetings of the SOCIETY for all classes of registrants described **above** in ~~Sec. 4, b~~ other than those specified **above for nonmembers** in ~~Sec. 4, e of this Bylaw~~ shall be the same as for a member of the SOCIETY, except that reduced registration fees may be set by the Board of Directors for a *national* meeting and by the committee in charge for any other meeting for ~~students~~ **STUDENT MEMBERS** entitled to the discount in dues provided **elsewhere** in the ~~Bylaws~~ **these Standing Rules**, members of the family of a registrant who are not chemical scientists, persons wanting to attend a single session, or other special cases approved by the Board of Directors for a *national* meeting or by the committee in charge for any other meeting. (1/1/82)

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- i. Registration rules, including fees, for a cooperative meeting shall be subject to agreement in advance between the organizations concerned but shall conform, insofar as possible, to this **Standing Rule** ~~Bylaw~~ and be subject to approval by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the ~~SOCIETY~~. (11/23/71)
 - j. No member may be deliberately excluded from any open meeting of the SOCIETY or its subunits. (11/15/89)
6. The President shall have authority to close any session at any meeting of the SOCIETY to nonmembers.
 7. For national meetings, each Division of the SOCIETY has the primary responsibility for programming in its area of interest. (11/15/89)
 8. *Presentation of Papers*

The following rules shall apply to the presentation of papers at a *national, regional, divisional, or other major* meeting of the SOCIETY: (11/15/89)

 - a. The term “paper” shall include any scientific presentation that can be reduced to writing. (11/15/89)
 - b. No paper shall be presented at a *national, regional, divisional, or other major* meeting unless its title and author(s) appear on the program for the meeting. However, the President, with the concurrence of either the Chair of the Board of Directors or the Vice-Chair of the Council Policy Committee, may authorize an extraordinary symposium at a *national* meeting provided that (11/15/89)
 - (1) the symposium has as its primary focus significant scientific developments too recent for programming deadlines, and (11/15/89)
 - (2) the request for authorization for such a symposium has been made jointly by a member of the SOCIETY and one of the following: the Chair of a relevant Division of the SOCIETY, the Chair of the Committee on Divisional Activities, or the Chair of the Committee on Science. (11/15/89)
 - c. No paper by a chemical scientist residing in the United States who is not a member of the SOCIETY shall appear on the program of a *national, regional, divisional, or other major* meeting of the SOCIETY unless it be a joint paper with one or more SOCIETY members, or unless for a *national, regional, or national-divisional* meeting the author has been invited to present the paper at a symposium organized by a Division of the SOCIETY or by Sections of the SOCIETY, and the Chair of such Division or of the host Section has certified to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the ~~SOCIETY~~ prior to publication of the program that presentation by the author of such paper is important to the success of the symposium. (11/82)
 - d. Rules corresponding to paragraphs a, b, and c of this section for a *cooperative* meeting shall be subject to agreement in advance between the organizations concerned but should conform, insofar as possible, to this **Standing Rule** ~~Bylaw~~ and be subject to approval by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the ~~SOCIETY~~. (11/23/71)
 - e. The SOCIETY assumes no responsibility for statements or opinions expressed by individuals in papers or discussions thereof. (11/52)
 - f. The President shall have authority to exclude any paper from a program at any time prior to its scheduled presentation at a meeting of the SOCIETY.
 9. It shall be the responsibility of the person or organized unit arranging program details for any part of a meeting to inform all contributors concerning the provisions of ~~Sec. 4 and 6 of this Bylaw~~ **Standing Rule**. (11/51)

STANDING RULE VII

Units (Local Sections, Divisions, International Chapters) Function

Local Sections **Function**

1. **The Committee on Local Section Activities shall be responsible for the Local Sections Function.**
The duties of the Committee on Local Section Activities shall include the following, *inter alia*:

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- a. ~~studying~~ and make recommendations to the Council concerning SOCIETY policy affecting the interests of Local Sections; (~~6/6/03~~)
 - b. ~~assisting~~ Local Sections in coordinating their efforts with SOCIETY and Division activities; (~~6/6/03~~)
 - c. ~~promoting~~ both formal and informal cooperation and communication of Local Sections with Divisions and other Local Sections; (~~6/6/03~~)
 - d. ~~exploring~~ possibilities of assisting Local Sections in enriching their program of activities;
 - e. ~~receiving~~ reports on and rate the effectiveness of Local Section activities;
 - f. ~~receiving~~, ~~considering~~, and ~~making~~ recommendations to the Council concerning petitions for chartering new Local Sections and for changes in territory or name; (~~5/27/60~~)
 - g. ~~making~~ recommendations to the Council concerning combining or dissolving Local Sections; (~~6/14/98~~)
 - h. ~~studying~~ the needs for financial support of local activities in relation to the SOCIETY's program and make recommendations to the Council concerning proper allotments for this purpose; (~~5/27/60~~)
 - i. ~~determining~~ the formula for distribution of dues funds allocated to Local Sections as provided elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules** and conveying that formula for approval by the Council; (~~6/6/03~~)
 - j. ~~acting~~ for the Council in resolving any member's appeal from adverse action on a request for assignment to a Local Section in accordance with the provisions of these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules; and** (~~4/9/75~~)
 - k. ~~acting~~ for the Council, in collaboration with the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, to approve the affiliation of Local Sections with other technical organizations. (~~11/7/07~~)
2. A new Local Section shall operate under charter bylaws prepared by the Council of the SOCIETY until such time as it desires to revise or amend them. Revisions or amendments of Local Section bylaws shall be submitted to the Council through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY for review. These revisions or amendments shall not become effective before approval by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council. No provisions of Local Section bylaws shall be valid that are inconsistent with the Charter, Constitution, ~~or~~ ~~Bylaws~~, **or Standing Rules** of the SOCIETY. (~~11/23/71~~)
- Each Local Section shall have a Chair, a Vice-Chair and/or Chair-Elect, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as the bylaws of the Local Section may specify. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined. (~~9/11/74~~)
3. A Local Section may organize within itself one or more units, known as Subsections, which shall be established on the basis of geographical considerations to include the members of the Section residing in a specified portion of the territory of the Section, and which shall be concerned with the promotion of chemistry in all its branches, particularly in the form of scientific meetings. Each Subsection shall operate in conformity with the bylaws of, and shall be responsible to, its parent Local Section. (~~1/1/51~~)
4. A Local Section may organize within itself one or more units, known as Groups, which shall be established on a subject basis to cover the entire territory of the Section, with each Group devoted to the promotion of one or more branches of chemistry. Each such Group shall operate in conformity with the bylaws of, and shall be responsible to, its parent Local Section. (~~1/1/51~~)
5. A member of the SOCIETY residing in territory unassigned to any Local Section may, on written request to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY for assignment to a Local Section, be so assigned. The Committee on Local Section Activities, acting for the Council, shall resolve any member's appeal from adverse action on such a request. (~~4/9/75~~)
6. A member of the SOCIETY who prefers membership in a Local Section other than that of residence may, on written request to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY, be assigned to that Local Section. The Committee on Local Section Activities, acting for the Council, shall resolve any member's appeal from adverse action on such a request. (~~4/9/75~~)

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7. No member of the SOCIETY shall be enrolled simultaneously in more than one Local Section. (~~4/1/63~~)
8. The number of representatives which a Local Section shall have in the Council of the SOCIETY for a four-year period beginning in a year divisible by four shall be based on the membership of the Local Section as of December 31 of the second preceding year, which count shall be certified to the Secretary of the Local Section by the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY. The initial number of such representatives for a Local Section established after December 31 of the second preceding year shall be based on the enumeration of membership when established. (~~12/7/86~~)
 - a. Councilors and Alternate Councilors from Local Sections ~~and Divisions~~ shall be elected by a ballot distributed to all members of the respective Local Sections ~~and Divisions~~. The balloting shall be conducted according to the requirements specified in ~~the Bylaws~~ **these Standing Rules**. In all other respects the procedure for the election shall be as provided in the Local Section ~~and Division~~ bylaws. (~~11/15/04~~)
 - b. ~~Directors at Large, District Directors, and~~ Councilors from ~~Divisions and~~ Local Sections shall be elected in a manner to produce rotation. (~~4/1/04~~)
9. Dues funds allocated by provisions elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules** for the support of Local Sections shall be distributed in accordance with procedures developed by the Committee on Local Section Activities and approved by the Council. The Committee on Local Section Activities shall review the procedures and may present recommendations for changes at any spring meeting of the Council. Once every three years, or earlier if requested by the Committee on Local Section Activities, the Council shall at its spring meeting review these procedures and provide for such changes as it shall deem appropriate. This distribution shall be contingent upon receipt of the annual report prior to a forfeiture date as specified by the Committee on Local Section Activities and shall include a base allotment, an allotment tied to total membership, and distributions based on other factors such as Society initiatives, strategic planning and Board directives. (~~6/6/03~~)
10. The Treasurer of a Local Section shall forward to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY an annual request for the funds to which the Section is entitled under ~~Sec. 8 of this Standing Rule-Bylaw~~. Upon receipt of such annual request, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall make payment to the Treasurer of the said Local Section, except that the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** may once annually ~~transmit~~ **send** 10 percent of the allotment upon receipt of a statement of need. (~~6/6/03~~)

To encourage membership recruitment at the Local Section level, the SOCIETY shall award allotments to the Local Section for new or reinstated members and new or reinstated Society Affiliates who were admitted as a result of Local Section effort. The size of the allotments and the conditions and requirements for the allotments shall be established by the Council upon recommendation by the Committee on Membership Affairs. Such allotments shall be distributed to the Local Sections annually. (~~11/2/02~~)
11. Funds allotted to Local Sections shall be used only for local purposes incident to the fulfillment of the SOCIETY's ~~objects~~ **Purposes** as specified in ~~Article II~~ of the Constitution. (~~4/1/54~~)
12. Not later than February 15 of each year, the annual report of each Local Section, including an itemized statement of receipts and expenditures and investment of its funds for the period January 1 to December 31 of the preceding year, shall be submitted to the ~~Council~~ Committee on Local Section Activities through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY. Each year the Committee shall prepare a summary of the Local Section annual reports and submit it to the Council Policy Committee. (~~9/24/93~~)

By April 1 of each year the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall furnish to each Local Section the names of its members and Society Affiliates and a count of members and Society Affiliates on which allocation of funds will be made. (~~11/2/02~~)
13. Any Local Section chartered under the provisions of **these Standing Rules**, ~~Article XII of the Constitution~~ which for three consecutive years fails to maintain a membership of at least 50 shall automatically forfeit its charter. (~~4/9/75~~)

14. *Local Section Affiliation with a Local Technical Organization*

a. A Local Section may be affiliated with a local technical organization operating within the territory of the Local Section, provided that: (11/7/07)

(1) the affiliation meets the requirements for affiliation with other technical organizations as specified elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules; and** (11/7/07)

(2) the affiliation has been approved by the Committee on Local Section Activities. (11/7/07)

b. Any Local Section affiliation shall terminate after five years unless reauthorized by the governing body of the Local Section. The term of each subsequent reauthorization shall not exceed five years. (10/4/99)

c. Affiliations of SOCIETY Local Sections ~~or Divisions~~ shall become effective upon authorization by **the Committee on Local Section Activities** ~~their governing body, approval by their respective Council committees governing Local Sections and Divisions,~~ and confirmation by the Council Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council, that the provisions of **these Standing Rules** ~~Section 1 of this Bylaw~~ are met. (10/9/18)

15. A Local Section may incorporate under the laws of the appropriate state or commonwealth. Proposed Articles of Incorporation or proposed amendments to Articles of Incorporation shall first be submitted by the executive committee or equivalent of the Local Section to the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** ~~of the SOCIETY~~ for determination that the proposals are not inconsistent with the Charter, Constitution, ~~or Bylaws,~~ **or Standing Rules** of the SOCIETY. Upon such finding, the Local Section may present the proposals to its membership for adoption and may incorporate or amend if they are adopted. The Articles of Incorporation or amendments thereto shall then be submitted to the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, which Committee, acting for the Council of the SOCIETY, may confer final approval, whereupon said articles or amendments shall become part of the bylaws of the Local Section. (11/23/71)

16. Bylaws of each Local Section shall provide that, 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~~ **Purposes** 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. (9/5/61)

17. At the request of any Local Section, the SOCIETY bill to each member in that Local Section shall include the voluntary Local Section dues. The **Local Section** shall have the option to waive or discount its dues for STUDENT MEMBERS. The SOCIETY shall remit receipts to Local Sections semi-annually. (9/15/09)

18. ~~Division dues and v~~ Voluntary Local Section dues collected by the SOCIETY from members electing a two-year or three-year SOCIETY dues period shall be two times or three times, respectively, the annual rates established for the first year of the period. It shall be the responsibility of a Local Section ~~or Division~~ to bill and collect any increases in dues that it may make applicable to the second or third year of a membership period. (9/15/09)

19. **Affiliates**

a. Society Affiliates shall be assigned to an appropriate Local Section in the same manner as members as provided ~~in the Bylaws~~ **elsewhere in these Standing Rules**. Society Affiliates may be assessed Local Section dues in the amount specified for Society Affiliates by the bylaws of that Section. In Local Sections, Society Affiliates may be appointed as Committee Chairs, if allowed by the Local Section bylaws, but may not hold an elective position of the Local Section, vote on Articles of Incorporation and bylaws of the Local Section, or serve as a voting member of its Executive Committee or equivalent policymaking body. In their bylaws, Local Sections may either provide or withhold the privilege of voting by Society Affiliates for an elective position (other than Councilor or Alternate Councilor) of the Local Section. (6/1/17)

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b. *Local Section Affiliates.* A person who is not a member of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY shall not become a member of any Local Section, but Local Sections may provide in their bylaws to have Local Section Affiliates, not members of the SOCIETY, who shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership in the Local Section, as provided in the Local Section bylaws, except that of holding an elective position of the Local Section, or voting on Articles of Incorporation and bylaws for the Local Section, or serving as a voting member of its Executive Committee or equivalent policymaking body, or voting for Councilor(s) or Alternate Councilor(s) from the Local Section. In their bylaws, Local Sections may either provide or withhold the privilege of voting by Local Section Affiliates for an elective position (other than Councilor or Alternate Councilor) of the Local Section. Local Section Affiliates may be appointed as Committee Chairs, if allowed by the bylaws of the Local Section. (6/4/17)

(1) A Local Section Affiliate shall retain affiliate status only so long as payment is made of Local Section dues of not less than two dollars (\$2.00) per annum. (6/30/09)

(2) A Local Section Affiliate shall not be entitled to any privileges of the SOCIETY other than those herein specified. (4/1/63)

Divisions **Function**

1. **The Committee on Divisional Activities shall be responsible for the Divisions Function.**

The duties of the Committee on Divisional Activities shall include the following, *inter alia*:

a. ~~studying~~ and ~~making~~ recommendations to the Council concerning SOCIETY policy affecting interests of Divisions;

b. ~~assisting~~ Divisions in coordinating their efforts with SOCIETY and Local Section activities;

c. ~~performing~~ the duties incident to the creation of new Divisions as prescribed elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules** and making recommendations to the Council for combination or dissolution of Divisions; (6/13/99)

d. ~~promoting~~ both formal and informal cooperation and communication of Divisions with Local Sections and other Divisions; (6/6/03)

e. ~~cooperating~~ with the Committee on Meetings and Expositions, SOCIETY bodies related to publications, and other committees in areas of mutual interest; (6/30/97)

f. ~~determining~~ the formula for distribution of dues funds allocated to Divisions as provided elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules** and convey that formula for approval by the Council; **and** (6/6/03)

g. ~~acting~~ for the Council, in collaboration with the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, to approve the affiliation of Divisions with other technical organizations. (6/1/73)

2. *Formation of a Division*

a. Any 50 members of the SOCIETY who wish to organize a Division of the SOCIETY shall request in a signed petition, addressed to the Council, authorization to form a Division. The petition shall also include the name of the proposed Division, a statement of the objects of the proposed Division, the particular field of SOCIETY interest to be stimulated and developed by the proposed Division, and the reasons why the petitioners deem it wise and expedient to establish the Division. (4/1/66)

The petition shall be sent to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** who, if satisfied it is in proper form, shall forward it to the Committee on Divisional Activities ~~of the Council~~ for consideration and presentation to the Council with a recommendation for action. The Committee on Divisional Activities, in the event of Council approval, shall assist the unit to organize and operate as a probationary unit for a period not to exceed three years. During the probationary period, the unit shall operate under bylaws prepared by the Council of the SOCIETY. At any time within this probationary period, the Committee on Divisional Activities may report to the Council on the status of the unit and make recommendations as to continuing or discontinuing its operations. (4/23/74)

b. On recommendation from the Committee on Divisional Activities, the President shall appoint each year the officers of a probationary unit and also the members-at-large of the executive committee. (1/1/66)

c. The executive committee of the probationary unit shall appoint a committee to **work with the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws to propose** ~~draw up~~ bylaws suitable for operation of the unit after it has achieved divisional status. The Secretary of the probationary unit shall submit these bylaws through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY to the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws for review. (11/23/71)

d. The Council may approve formation of the proposed Division at any time during its probationary period. Immediately after such approval has been granted, the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws shall report to the Council on the bylaws of the proposed Division with a recommendation for action. (1/1/66)

e. Upon approval of the bylaws by the Council, the unit shall become a Division of the SOCIETY. (1/1/66)

f. The Division may revise or amend the bylaws approved **as mentioned above and elsewhere in these Standing Rules** ~~under Section 1, e above~~. Revisions or amendments of Division bylaws shall be submitted to the Council of the SOCIETY through the **Chief Executive Officer** ~~Executive Director of the SOCIETY~~ for review. These revisions or amendments shall not become effective before approval by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council. No provision of Division bylaws shall be valid which is inconsistent with the Charter, Constitution, ~~or Bylaws~~, **or these Standing Rules** of the SOCIETY. (11/23/71)

g. **Except as noted, this Standing Rule** ~~All sections of Bylaw VIII of the SOCIETY shall apply to Divisions in probationary status, except Sec. 4, e and Sec. 9.~~ (1/1/66)

3. A Division may organize within itself one or more units, known as Subdivisions, which shall be established to cover a specified portion of the general field of the Division. Each such Subdivision shall operate in conformity with the bylaws of, and shall be responsible to, its parent Division. (1/1/51)

4. A member of the SOCIETY may join any Division of the SOCIETY by enrolling with the Division and meeting the requirements of the bylaws of the Division. (6/1/90)

To encourage membership recruitment at the Division level, the SOCIETY shall award allotments to the Division for new or reinstated members and new or reinstated Society Affiliates who were admitted as a result of Division effort. The size of the allotments and the conditions and requirements for the allotments shall be established by the Council upon recommendation by the Committee on Membership Affairs. Such allotments shall be distributed to the Division annually. (11/2/02)

5. Operations

a. Each Division shall have a Chair, a Vice-Chair and/or Chair-Elect, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as the bylaws of the Division may specify. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined. (9/11/74)

b. Each Division shall have an Executive Committee which shall consist of the officers as members ex officio and such other members, appointed or elected, as the bylaws of the Division may specify.

c. All officers of a Division, **except for Divisions in probationary status**, shall be elected as the bylaws of the Division specify.

6. Each Division shall hold at least one session annually.

A Division may omit its meeting in any one year on authorization by the Council Policy Committee when recommended by the Committee on Meetings and Expositions.

7. Councilors and Alternate Councilors from ~~Local Sections and Divisions~~ shall be elected by a ballot distributed to all members of the respective ~~Local Sections and Divisions~~. The balloting shall be conducted

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according to the requirements specified in ~~the Bylaws~~ **these Standing Rules**. In all other respects, the procedure for the election shall be as provided in the ~~Local Section and Division~~ bylaws. (11/15/04)

~~Directors at Large, District Directors, and Councilors from Divisions and Local Sections~~ shall be elected in a manner to produce rotation. (1/1/01)

8. Dues funds and allotments

a. Dues funds allocated by provisions elsewhere in these ~~Standing Rules Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules** for the support of Divisions shall be distributed in accordance with procedures developed by the Committee on Divisional Activities and approved by the Council. The Committee on Divisional Activities shall review the procedures and may present recommendations for changes at any spring meeting of the Council. Once every three years, or earlier if requested by the Committee on Divisional Activities, the Council shall at its spring meeting review these procedures and provide for such changes as it shall deem appropriate. This distribution shall be contingent upon receipt of the annual report prior to a forfeiture date as specified by the Committee on Divisional Activities and shall include a base allotment, an allotment tied to total membership, and distributions based on other factors such as programming, Society initiatives, strategic planning and Board directives. (6/6/03)

b. At the request of any Division the SOCIETY bill to each member in that Division shall include the Division dues. The Division shall have the option to waive or discount its dues for STUDENT MEMBERS. The SOCIETY shall remit receipts to Divisions semi-annually. (9/15/09)

c. Division dues ~~and voluntary Local Section dues~~ collected by the SOCIETY from members electing a two-year or three-year SOCIETY dues period shall be two times or three times, respectively, the annual rates established for the first year of the period. It shall be the responsibility of a ~~Local Section or Division~~ to bill and collect any increases in dues that it may make applicable to the second or third year of a membership period. (9/15/09)

d. The Treasurer of a Division shall forward to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY an annual request for the funds to which the Division is entitled under ~~Sec. 6, a, of this Bylaw~~ **these Standing Rules**. Upon receipt of such annual request, the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** shall make payment to the Treasurer of the said Division except that the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** may once annually ~~transmit~~ **send** 10 percent of the allotment upon receipt of a statement of need. (6/6/03)

e. A probationary Division as defined ~~above in Section 1 of this Bylaw~~ may receive an allotment equivalent to that of a Division of the same membership and in accord with the other provisions of this ~~Standing Rule~~ **Bylaw**. (1/1/81)

9. The annual report of each Division, including an itemized statement of receipts and expenditures and investment of its funds, shall be submitted each year to the ~~Council~~ Committee on Divisional Activities through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY not later than February 15 of each year and shall cover the period January 1 to December 31 preceding. The Committee each year shall prepare and submit to the Council Policy Committee a summary of the Division annual reports. (10/19/04)

By April 1 of each year, the Secretary of each Division shall send to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY a complete list of the members and Society Affiliates of that Division for checking and verification. (11/2/02)

10. Affiliates

a. Society Affiliates may become Society Affiliates of any Division unless specifically prohibited by the bylaws of the Division and shall be subject to such dues as are specified by the bylaws of that Division for Society Affiliates. In Divisions, Society Affiliates may be appointed as Committee Chairs, if allowed by the bylaws of the Division, but may not hold an elective position of the Division, vote on Articles of Incorporation and bylaws of the Division, or serve as a voting member of its Executive Committee or equivalent policymaking body. In their bylaws, Divisions may either provide or withhold the privilege of voting by Society Affiliates for an elective position (other than Councilor or Alternate Councilor) of the Division. (6/1/17)

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b. A person who is not a member of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY shall not become a member of any Division; but Divisions may provide in their bylaws to have Division Affiliates, not members of the SOCIETY, who shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership in the Division, as provided in the Division bylaws, except that of holding an elective position of the Division, or voting on Articles of Incorporation and bylaws for the Division, or serving as a voting member of its Executive Committee or equivalent policymaking body, or voting for Councilor(s) or Alternate Councilor(s) from the Division. In their bylaws, Divisions may either provide or withhold the privilege of voting by Division Affiliates for an elective position (other than Councilor or Alternate Councilor) of the Division. Division Affiliates may be appointed as Committee Chairs, if allowed by the bylaws of the Division. (6/1/17)

c. A Division Affiliate shall retain affiliate status only so long as payment is made of Division dues of not less than two dollars (\$2.00) per annum. (6/30/09)

d. A Division Affiliate shall not be entitled to any privileges of the SOCIETY other than those herein specified. (4/1/63)

11. Bylaws of each Division shall provide that, upon dissolution of the Division, any assets of the Division remaining thereafter shall be conveyed to such organization then existent as is dedicated to ~~objects~~ **Purposes** similar to those of the Division and the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, or to the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, so long as whichever organization is selected by the governing body of the Division 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 Division's dissolution. (9/5/61)

12. **Except for Divisions in probationary status,** ~~A~~ **a** Division may incorporate under the laws of the District of Columbia or of any appropriate state or commonwealth. Proposed Articles of Incorporation or proposed amendments to Articles of Incorporation shall first be submitted by the executive committee or equivalent of the Division to the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY for determination that the proposals are not inconsistent with the Charter, Constitution, ~~or~~ **Bylaws, or Standing Rules** of the SOCIETY. Upon such finding, the Division may present the proposals to its membership for adoption and may incorporate or amend if they are adopted. The Articles of Incorporation or amendments thereto shall then be submitted to the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, which Committee, acting for the Council of the SOCIETY, may confer final approval, whereupon said articles or amendments shall become part of the bylaws of the Division. (11/23/71)

13. A Division may be affiliated with other technical organizations provided that: (10/4/99)

a. the affiliation meets the requirements for affiliation with other technical organizations as specified elsewhere in these ~~Bylaws~~ **Standing Rules; and** (10/4/99)

b. the affiliation has been approved by the Committee on Divisional Activities. (10/4/99)

c. Any Division affiliation shall terminate after five years unless reauthorized by the governing body of the Division. The term of each subsequent reauthorization shall not exceed five years. (10/4/99)

d. Affiliations of SOCIETY ~~Local Sections or~~ Divisions shall become effective upon authorization by **the Committee on Divisional Activities** ~~their governing body, approval by their respective Council committees governing Local Sections and Divisions,~~ and confirmation by the Council Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council, that the provisions of ~~Section 1 of this Bylaw~~ **these Standing Rules** are met. (10/4/99)

*International Chapters **Function***

1. **The Committee on International Activities shall be responsible for the International Chapters Function.**

The duties of the Committee on International Activities shall include the following, *inter alia*:

a. ~~S~~study ongoing initiatives and inform ACS ~~the Society~~ **SOCIETY** entities on effective practices and projects related to international activities;

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- b. ~~P~~**ro**actively advise and make recommendations to the Board on the science and engineering policies that transcend national boundaries;
- c. ~~E~~**ns**ure implementation of Board policies and activities pertaining to global strategies;
- d. ~~C~~**at**alyze, support, and maintain liaisons and collaborations between national and international science and engineering organizations in concert with other efforts within the ~~ACS~~**SOCIETY's** structure;
- e. ~~E~~**n**able ~~ACS the Society~~**SOCIETY** to advocate for scientific freedom and human rights as they relate to practitioners of chemical and related sciences; and
- f. ~~I~~**de**ntify ways in which ~~ACS the Society~~**SOCIETY** can raise the profile of, and meaningfully and appropriately be more welcoming to, the global community of chemical scientists and engineers.

The Committee on International Activities is a resource for proactively advocating, catalyzing, initiating, and implementing ~~ACS~~ international **activities for the Society-SOCIETY including** conferences; and initiatives pertaining to education and research **and** & development of broad scientific understanding, appreciation of chemistry, and promotion of the image of chemistry. ~~This will happen~~ in collaboration with other national and international organizations.

2. The SOCIETY may authorize formation of International Chemical Sciences Chapters (**hereinafter referred to as International Chapters**). The Committee on International Activities, or another designated responsible committee, shall act for the Board of Directors and the Council in monitoring the activities of each International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter and in implementing SOCIETY policy regarding such **International** Chapters. Monitoring duties shall include compiling a general summary of these activities in its committee reports to the Board of Directors and the Council, and making recommendation to the Board of Directors regarding the formation or dissolution of an International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter. The responsible committee shall review each International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter every five years and shall advise the Board of Directors whether it should be continued. (11/18/94)

a. The responsible committee shall establish written procedures and criteria for the formation and review of International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapters. (11/18/94).

b. A new International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter shall operate under charter bylaws prepared by the Council of the SOCIETY until such time as the Chapter desires to revise or amend them. All Chapter bylaws shall be in English. Revisions or amendments of International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter bylaws shall be submitted to the Council through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY for review. These revisions or amendments shall not become effective before approval by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council. No provisions of International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter bylaws shall be valid that are inconsistent with the Charter, Constitution, ~~or~~ Bylaws, **or Standing Rules** of the SOCIETY. A copy of the International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter's bylaws shall be filed with the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY. (11/18/94)

c. **International** Chapter bylaws must contain a statement that the International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter, and the officers as representatives of the Chapter, shall: (1) not engage in political activity, including lobbying, (2) avoid any activities that may adversely affect the interests and/or public or professional image of the SOCIETY, and (3) assure that all activities of the Chapter are open to all members of the SOCIETY. (11/18/94)

3. An International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter ~~shall receive no allotment of funds from the SOCIETY and shall not be entitled to elected representation on the Council.~~ A Chapter may assess **its members** local **Chapter** dues to be expended for its own purposes in harmony with the ~~objects~~ **Purposes** of the SOCIETY. (10/9/18)

4. The Board of Directors may dissolve an International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter for good and sufficient reasons. (11/18/94)

5. Each International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter shall prepare an annual report to be submitted by April 1 of each year to the responsible committee through the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer**. (11/18/94)

6. By April 1 of each year the Chair of each **International** Chapter shall send to the ~~Executive Director~~ **Chief Executive Officer** of the SOCIETY a complete roster of that Chapter for checking and verification. (11/18/94)

7. Any **International** Chapter that ~~for three consecutive years~~ fails to maintain a membership of at least 25 members of the SOCIETY **for three consecutive years** shall be dissolved. (11/18/94)
8. ~~Any~~ **The International** Chapter shall not incur any debts, obligations or liabilities that could become binding upon the SOCIETY, and the bylaws of each Chapter shall so provide. (11/18/94)
9. Bylaws of each International Chapter shall provide that, upon the dissolution of the Chapter, any assets of the Chapter remaining thereafter shall be conveyed to such organization then existent, within or without the territory of the Chapter, 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 International ~~Chemical Sciences~~ Chapter 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 Chapter's dissolution. (11/18/94)

STANDING RULE VIII Duties of Committees

1. **Committees of the Council that are responsible for the Functions**
(The duties of these committees are listed above under their respective Functions)
 - a. [Council Policy Committee](#)
 - b. [Nominations and Elections](#)
 - c. [Committee on Committees](#)
2. **Standing Committees of the Council**
 - a. [Membership Affairs](#)
 - b. [Meetings and Expositions](#)
 - c. [Divisional Activities](#)
 - d. [Local Section Activities](#)
 - e. [Economic and Professional Affairs](#)
 - f. [Constitution and Bylaws](#)
3. **Society Committees**
 - a. [Budget and Finance](#)
 - b. [Education](#)
4. ~~Other~~ **Joint Board-Council Committees**
 - a. [Chemical Abstracts Service](#)
 - b. [Chemical Safety](#)
 - c. [Chemistry and Public Affairs](#)
 - d. [Chemists with Disabilities](#)
 - e. [Community Activities](#)
 - f. [Environmental Improvement](#)
 - g. [International Activities](#)
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 - i. [Patents and Related Matters](#)
 - j. [Professional Training](#)
 - k. [Public Relations and Communications](#)
 - l. [Publications](#)
 - m. [Science](#)
 - n. [Senior Chemists](#)
 - o. [Women Chemists](#)
 - p. [Younger Chemists](#)
5. **Other Committees of the Council**
 - a. [Analytical Reagents](#)
 - b. [Ethics](#)
 - c. [Nomenclature, Terminology, and Symbols](#)
 - d. [Project SEED](#)
 - e. [Technician Affairs](#)

Standing Committee of the Council
(~~in addition to those Other Standing Committees are listed elsewhere in these Standing Rules~~
~~responsible for the Functions~~)

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Committee on Economic and Professional Affairs (CEPA)

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. foster ongoing improvement in the economic and professional status of chemical scientists; ~~(1/1/94)~~
- b. receive, address, and communicate to the Council concerns of the members in the area of professional affairs; ~~(1/1/94)~~
- c. act for the Council, in cooperation with other appropriate governing entities, in monitoring and coordinating the professional affairs programs of the SOCIETY, including career assistance and development programs; ~~(1/1/94)~~
- d. monitor the state of the economic and professional affairs of chemical scientists and formulate recommendations to the Council on policy in this area; ~~(1/1/94)~~
- e. identify, study, and report to the SOCIETY long- and short-range economic and professional needs of chemical scientists; ~~(1/1/94)~~
- f. conduct and report periodic fact-finding studies on supply and demand, compensation, and other matters that affect the economic status of the chemical profession; ~~(1/1/94)~~
- g. review, update and, after approval by the Board of Directors and the Council, issue professional and employment guidelines for chemical scientists to members and employers; ~~(1/1/94)~~
- h. monitor employer/employee relationships and issue to the SOCIETY periodic reports on such matters as personnel policies, fringe benefits, working conditions, terminations, job security, and compliance with SOCIETY guidelines; **and** ~~(1/1/94)~~
- i. propose ethical standards of conduct for chemical scientists for consideration by the Council. ~~(1/1/94)~~

SOCIETY Committees

1. Committee on Budget and Finance

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. **serve as the committee responsible for finances, as described in the Bylaws.**
- b. ~~acti~~ng for the Board of Directors to implement financial policies and other broad financial actions within established budgets, and undertake specific action delegated to the Committee as delineated in the Regulations of the Board of Directors; ~~(1/1/78)~~
- c. ~~assisti~~ng the Treasurer of the SOCIETY in the review and preparation of budgets; ~~(1/1/78)~~
- d. ~~studyi~~ng and ~~makei~~ng recommendations to the Board of Directors on the allocation of funds to the various areas of activity of the SOCIETY; ~~(1/1/78)~~
- e. ~~receiv~~ing and review requests for funding of new and unbudgeted items, recommend approval or disapproval of the requests, and suggest and identify sources of funds if the request is to be approved; ~~(1/1/78)~~
- f. ~~monit~~ing the rate of all expenditures in order to identify any emerging problems; ~~(1/1/78)~~
- g. ~~studyi~~ng all activities supported by the budget and recommend to the Board of Directors and the Council, as appropriate, an order of priorities, including termination of programs, based upon determination of costs and effectiveness; **and** ~~(1/1/78)~~
- h. ~~reporti~~ng to the Council the amount of the allocation from dues revenue to the official organ of the SOCIETY. ~~(9/24/93)~~

2. Committee on Education

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. ~~implem~~enting SOCIETY policies in chemical education; ~~(9/23/83)~~
- b. ~~developi~~ng reports and recommendations to the Board and the Council on SOCIETY policies related to chemical education and SOCIETY programs for the improvement of chemical education; ~~(9/23/83)~~

- c. ~~receiving, reviewing, and making~~ recommendations to the Board and the Council on proposals for policies and programs in chemical education; (9/23/83)
- d. ~~acting~~ in an advisory capacity on matters relating to chemical education; (9/23/83)
- e. ~~recommending~~ approval or disapproval of requests for the funding of new or unbudgeted items related to chemical education; (9/23/83)
- f. ~~establishing~~ all regulations for Student Chapters, such as criteria and procedures for formation, membership criteria, program activity standards, criteria for dissolution and reinstatement, and all other rights and privileges, with the approval of the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws; and (6/30/09)
- g. ~~acting~~ for the Council in chartering and dechartering Student Chapters. (6/30/09)

~~Other~~ **Joint-Board Council Committees**

1. **Chemical Abstracts Service**

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. ~~developing~~ an informed, constructive, and supportive relationship with the SOCIETY body established by the Board of Directors to manage and conduct the affairs of Chemical Abstracts Service, including reporting of each group's activities to the other;
- b. ~~servicing~~ as a channel for information flow between the Governing Board for Publishing, SOCIETY members, and individual Chemical Abstracts Service users to help assure that each party's needs and support are researched, recognized and appreciated;
- c. ~~encouraging and considering~~ suggestions from the membership concerning CAS and ~~transmitting~~ sending or providing these suggestions to the Governing Board for Publishing and the SOCIETY's Board of Directors;
- d. ~~responding~~ to requests by the Governing Board for Publishing that will assist in furthering the Chemical Abstracts Service mission; and,
- e. ~~informing~~ the Council and the Board of Directors of the Committee's activities.

2. **Chemical Safety**

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. encourage safe practices in chemical activities;
- b. serve as a resource to the chemical professional in providing advice and counsel on the handling of chemicals;
- c. seek to ensure safe facilities, designs, and operations by calling attention to potential hazards and stimulating education in safe chemical practices; and
- d. provide advice to other units of the SOCIETY on matters related to chemical safety and health.

3. **Chemistry and Public Affairs**

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. ~~The Committee on Chemistry and Public Affairs is responsible for advice and recommendations for ACS~~ advise and recommend the SOCIETY's action on public policy matters involving the chemical sciences and technologies;
- b. ~~I~~ identify and analyze legislative, regulatory, research, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) education funding, and other science policy issues that impact the chemical sciences and technologies;
- c. ~~D~~efine, propose, implement, and, where appropriate, work with groups within the SOCIETY on courses of action with respect to the above issues, which include but are not limited to: recommend to the Board appropriate studies or actions that should be undertaken; comment on policy issues that may be incorporated in the SOCIETY's official policy statements; provide expert advice to the government on questions concerning the chemical sciences and technologies; and establish ad hoc and standing subcommittees or task forces of experts to deal with specific issues; and

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d. ~~E~~ncourage and facilitate participation by the members of the SOCIETY in government relations.

4. Chemists with Disabilities

The committee will promote educational and professional opportunities in the chemical sciences and in fields requiring knowledge of chemistry for persons with disabilities. The committee will champion the capabilities of those persons to educators, employers, and peers. The committee envisions a time when all individuals, including those with disabilities, will advance the chemical enterprise by drawing on the full range of their talents.

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

a. ~~E~~nsure that all ACS-SOCIETY-sponsored services and programs promote and advance the full participation of students with disabilities;

b. ~~P~~romote opportunities for individuals with disabilities employed in or seeking employment within chemistry and its allied fields, supporting the ACS-SOCIETY's Strategic Plan;

c. ~~P~~rovide and promote a portfolio of programs, products and services to increase their participation and leadership in the chemical community; and

d. ~~S~~erve as a resource to the chemistry community as a whole with reference to issues concerning the education and employment of individuals with disabilities.

5. Community Activities

The purpose of the Committee on Community Activities is to improve the public perception of chemistry by providing programs to connect chemists with their communities.

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

a. ~~P~~rovideing guidance to the Society's community outreach programs and activities, and develop and implement new resources/technologies to support, evaluate, and sustain them;

b. ~~E~~ncourageing participation in community outreach programs through recruitment, retention and recognition of volunteers; and

c. ~~I~~nforming the Board, Council and other SOCIETY bodies of the Committee's activities.

6. Environmental Improvement

The committee is charged by the Board of Directors and the Council ~~of ACS~~ to promote the SOCIETY's as well as the public's awareness and active concern for protecting and improving the quality of human health and the environment.

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

a. advise the SOCIETY's governing bodies on pertinent environmental issues in science and public policy warranting action by the SOCIETY. Once identified, these issues then become the focus of committee action and the source of their projects-;

b. monitor environmental legislation and regulations for possible ACS-SOCIETY comments and/or recommendations, and when appropriate, write and/or review SOCIETY statements;

c. keep abreast of current and emerging environmental problems, focusing on possible areas of action by the Committee and/or the SOCIETY;

d. research environmental chemistry issues, compiling pertinent material, and disseminating the information to appropriate groups and individuals within and outside the SOCIETY-;

e. develop SOCIETY position statements, informational brochures, and appropriate publications (such as books and articles) on environmental issues in science and public policy using the technical expertise of Committee members;

f. design and coordinate programs related to environmental improvement for symposia and publications; and

g. promote environmental chemistry education in secondary schools, colleges, and universities, and for the general public by developing science curricula, audio courses, etc., and distributing these materials to educators and other interested persons.

7. International Activities (the duties of this committee are listed elsewhere in these Standing Rules)

8. Minority Affairs

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. ~~O~~verseeing the SOCIETY's programs devoted or related to minority issues;
- b. ~~D~~eveloping a long-range plan to ensure increased participation of minority chemical professionals in the profession and in the SOCIETY at all levels;
- c. ~~S~~tudying and ~~m~~aking recommendations on the current status of minorities in the SOCIETY and in the chemical sciences;
- d. ~~P~~romoting and recognizing the professional accomplishments of minorities in the chemical sciences and in the SOCIETY; and
- e. ~~I~~ncreasing the interest of minority chemical professionals in the work of the SOCIETY.

9. Patents and Related Matters

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*: consider patents and related matters insofar as such consideration and possible action are appropriate under and in conformity with the SOCIETY's Charter.

10. Professional Training

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. The SOCIETY shall sponsor an activity for the approval of undergraduate professional programs in chemistry. The Committee on Professional Training, ~~constituted as an Other Joint Board-Council Committee under this Bylaw,~~ shall act for the Board and the Council in the formulation and implementation of the approval program with published criteria and/or guidelines, as well as published evaluation policies and procedures. ~~(9/14/79)~~
- b. The goals of the approval program shall be *inter alia*: ~~(9/14/79)~~
 - (1) ~~promote~~ing and assist in the development of high standards of excellence in all aspects of post-secondary chemical education, and undertake studies important to their maintenance; ~~(9/14/79)~~
 - (2) ~~collect~~ing and ~~make~~ing available information concerning trends and developments in modern chemical education; ~~and~~ ~~(9/14/79)~~
 - (3) ~~cooperate~~ing with SOCIETY and other professional and educational groups having mutual interests and concerns. ~~(9/14/79)~~
- c. Institutions may petition for review of adverse evaluation decisions to an established Appeals Board consisting of three members of the SOCIETY, not members of the Committee, appointed jointly by the President and Chair of the Board. ~~(9/14/79)~~

11. Public Relations and Communications

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. ~~I~~ncreaseing public understanding and recognition of the contributions of chemistry, chemical scientists, and the American Chemical Society;
- b. ~~C~~ollaborateing with the divisions, local sections, other Society units and committees, individual members of the Society, and external organizations in enhancing the public recognition and prestige of chemistry, chemical scientists, and the American Chemical Society;
- c. ~~I~~mproveing the professional and community status of chemical scientists;
- d. ~~E~~ncourageing and facilitate training and participation of ACS-SOCIETY members in effective communications and public relations efforts; and,
- e. ~~I~~nforming the Council of the Committee's activities.

12. Publications

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. ~~A~~assessing editorial quality and content of the publication program of the SOCIETY, including the system of primary publications of books, journals, scientific communications, magazines, the official organ of the SOCIETY, and miscellaneous publications; and reporting its findings to the Board of Directors. The committee shall:
- b. ~~S~~erve as a channel for communication among SOCIETY members, the Council, other users of the SOCIETY's publications, the Governing Board for Publishing, and the Board of Directors to ensure that needs and support are recognized, researched, and addressed;
- c. ~~C~~onsulting with the editors of the above publications concerning editorial policy;
- d. ~~C~~onsulting with the Board of Directors upon matters of appointments concerning the above publications;
- e. ~~M~~aking recommendations to the Board of Directors related to the needs and adequacy of the publications of the SOCIETY, including the need for curtailment of ongoing efforts and the initiation of new efforts, and recommend to the Council and the Board of Directors any changes in these publications;
- f. ~~A~~dvising the Board of Directors, Council, and staff on copyright policy and recommending actions to protect ~~ACS-~~the SOCIETY's copyright;
- g. ~~I~~nforming and educate members on copyright through national and regional symposia and through articles in the official organ of the SOCIETY and other ~~ACS-~~SOCIETY publications;
- h. ~~M~~onitoring developments on copyright issues at international and national levels; and
- i. ~~I~~nforming the Council and the Board of Directors of the Committee's activities.

13. Science

The purpose of this committee is to provide an organizational framework to facilitate policy formulation, actions, and planning in several areas of the SOCIETY's activity directly related to the science of chemistry. It is structured to provide a forum for consideration and coordination of the scientific activities of many diverse units of the SOCIETY and to provide an interface between and among such units.

Among the areas of Committee concern are: divisional and other scientific and technical activities; scientific meetings and expositions; science-oriented grants and awards; scientific publications, nomenclature, and other communications; and science policy.

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. ~~F~~ormulate and recommend broad, long-range goals for programs within the primary cognizance of the Committee, and coordinate with and provide encouragement to ~~ACS-~~SOCIETY units that are engaged in activities aimed at achieving these goals;
- b. ~~P~~rovide a forum for coordination and discussion of views of science-related bodies or persons;
- c. ~~R~~eview and/or draft statements of ~~ACS-~~SOCIETY policy in applicable areas of Committee concern for Committee on Chemistry and Public Affairs or Board consideration;
- d. ~~P~~rovide guidance in the development of support for science-related activities of the SOCIETY;
- e. ~~R~~eceive reports from, and be cognizant of, activities and deliberations of those bodies in the SOCIETY involved in science and science-related activities;
- f. ~~A~~dvises the Board, Council, and other appropriate SOCIETY bodies on long-term financial planning for the Committee's areas of concern;
- g. ~~R~~eceive and evaluate requests for unbudgeted funds for science-related activities for presentation to the Board;

h. ~~Identify~~ long-range needs and trends in the area of scientific meetings and expositions and other areas of nonpublication scientific communication; provide overall guidance in the area of science-oriented awards; and participate in nominations for broader based non-~~ACS~~ **SOCIETY** awards-;

i. ~~Coordinate~~ and provide assistance with the formulation of ~~ACS~~ **SOCIETY** science-oriented grant proposals for projects within the purview of the Committee, for which funds are sought from non-ACS sources-; **and**

j. ~~Approve~~ expenditures from annually budgeted committee funds for special projects, study groups, task forces, etc., needed in meeting the Committee's responsibilities.

14. Senior Chemists

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

a. ~~Encourage~~ and serve as a conduit for senior members to volunteer and contribute their energy and talent to the ACS including local, regional, and national governance, education, government affairs, mentoring, and community projects;

b. ~~Provide~~ useful service and information to seniors, such as retirement and estate planning, consulting, part-time opportunities, and travel/tours;

c. ~~Foster~~ networking opportunities among seniors, both nationally and locally; and

d. ~~Represent~~ senior chemists to interact with all elements of ~~ACS~~ **SOCIETY** governance, bringing awareness of their needs to the ~~ACS~~ **SOCIETY**, fostering collaborations, and creating synergies.

15. Women Chemists

This committee was established in 1927 to encourage women chemists to take an active interest in the SOCIETY's activities.

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

a. ~~Serve~~ as a forum for women in chemistry and related professions-;

b. ~~Develop~~ recommendations regarding issues of interest to women chemists-;

c. ~~Provide~~ a means of increasing and improving participation of women in the chemical sciences and the SOCIETY-;

d. ~~Promote~~ the recognition of women chemists-; **and**

e. ~~Inform~~ the Council and other appropriate SOCIETY bodies of the Committee's activities.

16. Younger Chemists

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

a. ~~To~~-facilitate communication of ideas and attitudes between the governing bodies of the SOCIETY and younger chemists-;

b. ~~To~~-advise the governing bodies of the SOCIETY on the positions of younger chemists regarding policies and programs currently before the SOCIETY and those which younger chemists feel should be considered by the SOCIETY-;

c. ~~To~~-aid in the providing of information to younger chemists about the profession and practice of chemistry-;

d. ~~To~~-organize and operate at national, regional, and local level activities of special interest to younger chemists-;

e. ~~To~~-inform younger chemists of the services and benefits provided by the SOCIETY for its members-;

f. ~~To~~-obtain from younger chemists their evaluations of the SOCIETY and its activities-;

g. ~~To~~-inform younger members about the organization of the SOCIETY and to study methods of and make recommendations for the flow of younger members into active work in the SOCIETY-; **and**

h. ~~To~~-furnish a focus for the expression of concerns of importance to younger members.

Other Committees of the Council

1. Analytical Reagents

This committee is involved with setting standards for, and establishing approved analytical procedures for determining the purity of, chemical reagents sold by commercial companies. The committee meets in Washington, D. C. twice annually and discusses modifications to procedures and additions to the list of reagents considered. The committee's work leads to periodic revision of the book *Reagent Chemicals—American Chemical Society Specifications*. The present committee includes representatives of commercial chemical manufacturers, standards organizations, and users of chemical reagents.

2. Ethics

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. coordinate the ethics-related activities of the ~~Society~~ **SOCIETY**;
- b. serve as an educational resource and clearinghouse, but not as an adjudication body, for the SOCIETY's members seeking guidance on ethics issues;
- c. raise awareness of ethics issues through meeting programming and columns/editorials;
- d. review recognition opportunities for acknowledging ethical behavior;
- e. develop and oversee such other ethics-related activities; and
- f. serve the SOCIETY's members and promote the SOCIETY's standards of ethical conduct within the profession of chemistry and its related disciplines.

3. Nomenclature, Terminology, And Symbols

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. ~~Acting~~ on behalf of the Council in matters relating to the chemical usage of nomenclature, terminology, symbols, and units;
- b. ~~Mon~~itor, review, and communicate to the SOCIETY their significance;
- c. ~~C~~oordinate activities within the SOCIETY;
- d. ~~C~~onsult with and advise editors of SOCIETY publications and communications;
- e. ~~I~~nitiate, review, and recommend adoption of documents and proposals, as appropriate;
- f. ~~L~~iaise with other national and international organizations, committees, and commissions similarly involved; and
- g. ~~P~~rovide a means for members of the SOCIETY to participate in the consideration of these matters.

4. Project SEED

Summer Experiences for the Economically Disadvantaged

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. ~~A~~ssist the development office in solicitation of funding for student stipends from corporations, foundations, and individual SOCIETY members;
- b. ~~R~~eview applications from preceptors for student research projects and decide the level of funding;
- c. ~~P~~romote awareness and recognition of Project SEED within the SOCIETY, the scientific community, and the general public;
- d. ~~P~~articipate in long- and short-range planning of programs for Project SEED; and,
- e. ~~R~~eview applications for and award college scholarships designated for former Project SEED students.

5. Technician Affairs

The duties of this committee shall include the following, *inter alia*:

- a. ~~C~~oordinate the SOCIETY's interests in the development and activities of technicians/applied chemical technology professionals;

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b. ~~F~~facilitate communication between the SOCIETY, employers, and other technical and professional societies concerning critical issues of common interest in the area of technician/applied chemical technology professionals' activities;

c. ~~P~~provide continuing support for the SOCIETY's educational programs for technicians/applied chemical technology professionals by assisting in the development, review, and promotion of appropriate ~~ACS~~SOCIETY education materials; and

d. ~~E~~enhance the professional image and development of technicians/applied chemical technology professionals.

STANDING RULE IX

Other Rules

1. The *Volunteer/National Meeting Attendee Conduct Policy* may be amended by either the Council, with confirmation by the Board of Directors, or the Board of Directors.
2. The *Guidelines for Preparing Petitions to Amend the SOCIETY's Constitution and/or Bylaws* may be amended by the ~~e~~Committee on responsible for the Constitution and Bylaws ~~Governing Documents Function~~.
3. The Council, along with the Board of Directors as necessary, may establish other rules, as needed.
4. The Council, along with the Board of Directors as necessary for Joint Board-Council Committees, shall make or assign duties to an appropriate committee in accordance with the Bylaws.