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authority of Bylaws III, VII, and VIII.

*** BYLAWS OF THE
SOUTH CAROLINA LOCAL SECTION
OF THE
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY**

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BYLAW I - Name

The name of this organization shall be the South Carolina Section, hereinafter referred to as "the Section," of the American Chemical Society, hereinafter referred to as "the SOCIETY."

BYLAW II - Objects

Sec. 1. The objects of the Section shall be the same as those of the SOCIETY as stated in its Constitution.

Sec. 2. Nothing in these bylaws shall conflict with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

BYLAW III - Territory and Headquarters

Sec. 1. The territory of the Section shall be that assigned to it by the SOCIETY.

Sec. 2. The headquarters of the Section shall be Columbia, South Carolina.

BYLAW IV - Members and Affiliates

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

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

Sec. 3. Local Section Affiliates shall be persons ineligible for membership in the SOCIETY who are interested in the promotion of chemistry, who reside in the Section's territory, who have been nominated in writing by two SOCIETY members and have been approved by the Executive Committee of the Section. Each Local Section Affiliate shall receive the notices and publications of the Section and shall be entitled to all privileges of membership in the Section, save that of voting for or holding an elective position of the Section, voting on articles of incorporation and bylaws of the Section, or serving as a member of the Section's Executive Committee or equivalent policy-making body. Annual dues required of Local Section Affiliates must be at least \$2.00 a year, the actual amount to be established by the Executive Committee of the Section, and shall be payable in advance to apply from January 1 through December 31.

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Sec. 4. MEMBERS, ASSOCIATE MEMBERS, and affiliates shall have such rights and privileges as are accorded them by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. An ASSOCIATE MEMBER shall retain such status until he has met the requirements for MEMBER, has petitioned the Admissions Committee of the SOCIETY for reclassification, and has been approved by that Committee for advancement to MEMBER status. An ASSOCIATE MEMBER shall be entitled to all privileges of membership except that of holding an elective position within the SOCIETY and the privilege of serving as Temporary Substitute Councilor. However, an ASSOCIATE MEMBER may hold an elective position in the Section, except that of Councilor or Alternate Councilor.

BYLAW V - Organization

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

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

Sec. 3. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Section, the immediate Past Chair, the Councilors, and the Alternate Councilors.

BYLAW VI - Manner of Election and Terms of Office

Sec. 1. Elected officers of the Section shall serve for a term of one year, beginning on January 1, or until their successors are elected and qualify. The Chair-Elect shall succeed to the office of Chair upon the completion of the Chair's term of office.

Sec. 2. Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall be elected for a term of three years beginning January 1. Should additional Councilors and Alternate Councilors be allocated to the Section by the SOCIETY, the initial terms of such Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall be for a period of three years or less, so that rotation will be produced with the existing Councilors and Alternate Councilors; thereafter, terms of such Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall be for three years.

Sec. 3. In the event of vacancy of the office of Chair, the Chair-Elect shall assume the added duties of the Chair for the unexpired term. All other officer vacancies shall be filled by the Executive Committee by interim appointment for the period up to the next annual election, at which time the Section shall choose a MEMBER or ASSOCIATE MEMBER to fill out the unexpired term, if any. In the event the office of Chair-Elect is filled by such interim appointment, the Section shall elect both a Chair and Chair-Elect at its next annual election.

Sec. 4. In the event of vacancy of the office of Councilor, the Alternate Councilor shall assume the duties of the Councilor for the period up to the next annual election, at which time the Section shall elect a MEMBER to fill the unexpired term, if any.

In the event of vacancy of the office of Alternate Councilor, the position shall remain unfilled until the next annual election, at which time the Section shall elect a MEMBER to fill the unexpired term, if any.

Sec. 5. In the event a Councilor is unable to attend a Council meeting of the SOCIETY, selection of an Alternate Councilor or designation of a Temporary Substitute Councilor to attend said Council meeting of the SOCIETY may be made by the Chair of the Section in compliance with the appropriate Bylaws of the SOCIETY (Bylaw III, Sec. 1,d,(4) and 1,e).

Sec. 6. Election of officers, Councilors and Alternate Councilors shall be by mail ballot, mailed to the last recorded address of each MEMBER and ASSOCIATE MEMBER of the Section.

Sec. 7. Elections shall be conducted by a Nominating and Election Committee, such Committee to consist of a Chair and two members appointed on or before December 1 by the Chair of the Section. Not more than one member of the Executive Committee may be a member of the Nominating and Election Committee.

Sec. 8. The Nominating and Election Committee shall furnish the Secretary of the Section a list of the nominees for the various offices not later than March 1. All prospective nominees shall be contacted by the Committee and shall have expressed their willingness to serve if elected, prior to nomination by the Committee.

Sec. 9. The ballot shall consist of at least one nominee for each office and shall contain, as additional nominees, the names of any MEMBERS or ASSOCIATE MEMBERS submitted by any fifteen members of the Section. Such petitions shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Section on or before March 1. Written-in names of any qualified members shall be valid and counted if the ballot is otherwise properly executed.

Sec. 10. Ballots shall be mailed by the Secretary of the Section to MEMBERS and ASSOCIATE MEMBERS not later than March 15, the ballots to be returned to the Chair of the Nominating and Election Committee postmarked by April 1. The ballots shall be counted by the Chair of the Nominating and Election Committee and the Committee members; however, this Chair may appoint at his discretion other Section members in place of or in addition to the Committee members to assist him in counting the ballots.

Sec. 11. The Chair of the Nominating and Election Committee shall submit the results of the election to the Secretary of the Section not later than April 10. He shall also report the results of the election to the members of the Section at its next meeting. In case this Committee Chair is absent at this meeting, the Secretary of the Section shall report the results of the election to the members of the Section.

BYLAW VII - Duties of officers and Executive Committee

Sec. 1. The duties of the officers shall be those customarily performed by such officers, together with those responsibilities prescribed by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY and by these bylaws and such other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the Executive Committee.

Sec. 2. The Chair of the Section shall serve as Chair of the Executive Committee and shall appoint all committees authorized in these bylaws or by the Executive Committee. The Chair-Elect shall serve *ex officio* as Chair of the Program and Local Arrangements Committee

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

Sec. 4. The Chair-Elect shall be Vice-Chair and shall assume the duties of Chair whenever the absence of that officer or other emergency makes such action necessary.

Sec. 5. The Secretary shall have charge of all books, records, and properties of the Section except those assigned to some other officer of the Section. He shall assume the duties of Chair whenever the absence of that officer and of the Chair-Elect or other emergency makes such action necessary. He shall issue notices of meetings to members and affiliates. He shall perform all such other duties usual to the office and the particular duties required of him by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY and of this Section.

Sec. 6. The Treasurer shall have charge of all monetary funds of the Section and shall receive such funds and disburse them as directed by the Executive Committee. He shall keep such records as are necessary to account adequately for the receipt and expenditures of all funds. He shall make such financial reports to the Executive Committee as are required, and shall make an annual financial report to the Section members and to the SOCIETY.

BYLAW VIII - Committees

Sec. 1. The Executive Committee shall establish such committees as are necessary for the proper operation of the Section.

Sec. 2. There shall be the following standing committees:

Nominating and Election Committee
Membership, Professional Affairs, and Publicity Committee
Awards Committee
Projects Committee
Program and Local Arrangements Committee

BYLAW IX - Meetings

Sec. 1. The Section shall hold regular meetings at places and times designated by the Executive Committee

Sec. 2. The Section may hold special meetings at the call of the Executive Committee or at the written request of 15 members of the Section. Notices of special meetings shall state the exact nature of the business to be considered, and no other business shall be transacted at such meetings.

Sec. 3. Due notice of all meetings shall be sent to each member and affiliate of the Section. A quorum for transaction of business at a Section meeting shall consist of 10% of the members of the Section. No business shall be transacted in the absence of a quorum.

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

BYLAW X - Dues

Sec. 1. All assigned National Affiliates and members of the Section, except members in emeritus status of the SOCIETY, may be assessed such annual local section dues as may be set by the members of the Section. To assess or change the assessment of local section dues for local section members and National Affiliates, the procedure specified in Bylaw XI, Sections 1, 2, and 3, shall be followed.

Sec. 2. The annual dues of Local Section Affiliates shall be set by the Executive Committee in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. Failure to pay such dues in advance shall automatically terminate the affiliation. At the discretion of the Executive Committee, Student Affiliates of the SOCIETY may be enrolled as Local Section Affiliates without the payment of additional dues.

BYLAW XI - Amendments

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

Sec. 2. A proposed amendment submitted to the Secretary with the signatures of any ten (10) members of the Section shall not require approval of the Executive Committee.

Sec. 3. Immediately following the meeting of the Section, the Secretary shall mail to each member of the Section a copy of the proposed amendment or modified amendment and a ballot by which a member may clearly show whether he approves or disapproves the proposed amendment. The ballots shall be returned to the Secretary within 15 days of his mailing to be valid. Amendments shall be adopted if approved by a 2/3 vote of the ballots returned to the Secretary within this specified time.

Sec. 4. Amendments of these bylaws, after adoption by the Section, shall become effective upon approval by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council of the SOCIETY, unless a later date is specified in the amendment.

BYLAW XII- Dissolution of Section

Upon the dissolution of the Section, any assets of the Section remaining thereafter shall be conveyed to such organizations then existent, within or without the territory of the Section, dedicated to the perpetuation of objects similar to those of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, or to the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, so long as whichever organization is selected by the governing body of the Local Section at the time of dissolution shall be exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended or under such successor provision of the Code as may be in effect at the time of the Section's dissolution.