



***BYLAWS OF THE IOWA SECTION
OF THE
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY**

ARTICLE 1. TITLE

The society shall be called the Iowa Section of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY. The headquarters of the Section shall be in Iowa City, Iowa.

ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE

It shall be the purpose of the organization to associate the members of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY residing in Blackhawk, Buchanan, Tama, Benton, Linn, Jones, Poweshiek, Iowa, Johnson, Cedar, Keokuk, Washington, Louisa, Jefferson, and Henry Counties of Iowa for the reading and discussion of papers, receipt of reports, presentation of results of research, and consideration of any matter of interest to chemists, in order to bring about more effective cooperation among chemists in this area, and to stimulate interest in a variety of chemical matters. One aspect of these endeavors shall be the recognition of outstanding achievement in chemistry in teaching and research, both in academia and in industry, and in stimulation of interest in scientific vocations.

ARTICLE 3. MEMBERS AND NATIONAL AFFILIATES

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 may be made in conformity with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 4. MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular meetings of the Iowa Section shall be held at least six times during the academic year, commencing in the fall. Additional meetings may be scheduled during or following the academic year.

***Effective October 7, 1977.** Approved, as amended, by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Executive Committee provided that adequate advance notification be given the members of the Section, and that no regular election of officers be carried out at a special meeting.

ARTICLE 5. QUORUM

For the election of officers or the transaction of other business of the Section, twenty members of the Section shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE 6. OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1. The officers of the Section shall be: Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Councilor, and Alternate Councilor. If the Iowa Section should become eligible under national SOCIETY Bylaws for additional Council representation, additional Councilor(s) and Alternate Councilor(s) shall be elected.

Section 2. The Chair shall preside at meetings of the Section and shall serve as Chair of the Executive Committee. The Chair shall (with the exceptions and qualifications hereafter specified) appoint standing committees in accord with these bylaws, and the Chair may appoint other committees as he may deem appropriate.

Section 3. The Chair-Elect shall serve as Chair of the Program Committee and shall preside at meetings of the Section and of the Executive Committee in the absence of the Chair.

Section 4. The Secretary shall perform the duties usually assigned to this office by its title, including notification of the membership concerning business to be transacted at meetings of the Section.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall be the financial officer of the Section, and as such shall maintain financial records of the Section. The Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Section, and shall disburse them on the order of the Chair. The Treasurer shall report the condition of the Section treasury to the Executive Committee and to the national Treasurer of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY in December of each year, and shall furnish all other financial information required by the national SOCIETY.

Section 6. The Councilor shall act in an advisory capacity and shall represent the Iowa Section at national meetings of the Council. The Councilor shall report back to the Iowa Section on matters of Council business of interest and/or concern to the membership of the Section, and shall serve as liaison between the Section and the Council. If a Councilor is unable to attend any Council meeting, that Councilor shall notify the Section Chair so that an Alternate Councilor may be certified as the representative of the Section for that meeting.

Section 7. An Alternate Councilor shall represent the Section in Council meetings when a Councilor is unable to be present.

ARTICLE 7. STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Section and the Immediate Past Chair of the Section. This Committee shall carry the prime responsibility for leadership in the conduct of all aspects of the business of the Section and in future planning, and shall act as an advisory body to the Chair of the Section.

Section 2. The Program Committee shall consist of the Chair-Elect who shall be Chair of this Committee, together with two other members, appointed for staggered two-year terms. This Committee shall plan, establish, and organize regular and special programs for the Section; it shall invite speakers and select dates for programs.

Section 3. The Education Committee shall be responsible for planning and implementation of programs to encourage and recognize excellence in secondary school chemistry teaching and to encourage student interest in chemistry. It shall also promote activities of interest to college chemistry students in the area, primarily through cooperation with chapters of Student Affiliates.

Section 4. The Member Education Committee shall ascertain the need for and interest in educational programs for Section members, and shall be responsible for programs aimed at meeting these needs.

Section 5. The Iowa Award Committee shall consist of six members to be appointed by the Section Chair, with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee. The Iowa Award Committee shall elect its Chair from its membership. Members of the Committee shall be appointed for staggered two-year terms. No member may be appointed to succeed himself. This Committee shall be responsible each year for publicizing the Award among all AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY members in Iowa, and soliciting their nominations for the Award after the first day of January. The Committee shall select a nominee for recipient of the Award and shall report its nomination to the Executive Committee for its appropriate action.

Section 6. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Chair of the Section, with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee shall consist of three members, including the Chair of the Committee, who shall be designated by the Section Chair, with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee shall be responsible for the proper assembly of a slate of nominees for offices in the Section, as outlined in these bylaws, and shall report this slate to the membership of the Section in accord with the bylaws.

ARTICLE 8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chair and Chair-Elect shall serve one-year terms. The Chair-Elect shall succeed to the office of Chair the year following service as Chair-Elect. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected for staggered two-year terms. The Councilor(s) and Alternate Councilor(s) shall be elected for three-year terms and both shall be eligible to succeed themselves.

Section 2. The election procedure shall be as follows:

(a) The Nominating Committee shall present at the October meeting of the Section a slate of nominees for the offices listed in Section 1 of this article. Nominations for Secretary, Treasurer, Councilor(s), and Alternate Councilor(s) shall be made only in years at the end of which occupant(s) of these offices are scheduled to retire.

(b) Additional nominations may be made from the floor by members of the Section at the October meeting, provided that nominators have procured written consent from such individual(s) to be nominated. However, no member may be a candidate for more than one office in any single election, nor shall any officer whose term of office is continuing be nominated for an additional office.

(c) The Secretary shall prepare a ballot containing the names of all nominees. This ballot, together with a suitable envelope, shall be mailed to all members of the Section, so as to reach them at least two weeks in advance of the November meeting. The marked ballot must then be placed by the voting member into the envelope provided, which must be unsigned. This envelope shall be placed into a second envelope, which must bear the signature of the member, and may be mailed to the Secretary so as to reach him before the November meeting; or, sealed, unsigned ballot envelope, enclosed in a second envelope bearing the signature of the member, may be delivered to the Secretary at the November meeting. The Secretary shall verify the signatures on the outer envelopes against the official membership list. The inner envelopes of all members in good standing shall then be presented unopened to a Committee of Tellers appointed by the Section Chair. This Committee shall count the ballots, determine the election of each officer on the basis of a majority of the votes cast, and report the results to the Chair for announcement to the membership. If no candidate for a given office receives a majority of the votes cast, the members present at the November meeting shall decide the election by a secret ballot, choosing between the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes.

(d) The elected officers shall assume their respective offices and responsibilities on January first following their election, and shall serve until their successors take office.

(e) If the Chairship of the Section should become vacant during the year, the Chair-Elect shall become Chair for the remainder of the term and shall succeed to the Chairship the following year.

(f) An Alternate Councilor shall succeed to the office of Councilor if this post should become vacant.

(g) If a vacancy should occur in the office of Chair-Elect, Secretary, or Treasurer, the Executive Committee shall appoint a successor for the remainder of the term of office. Such an

appointee shall be eligible to be nominated and elected to that office at the next appropriate election, with the exception of the Chair-Elect, who shall succeed to the Chairship at the end of the term of appointment, when the Chair's term will have expired. If a vacancy should occur in the office of Alternate Councilor, the Executive Committee shall appoint a successor who shall serve until the next annual election.

(h) If a vacancy should occur in the membership of any standing or other committee, the Section Chair shall appoint a successor for the remainder of the term of the committee member's appointment.

ARTICLE 9. AMENDMENTS

An amendment to these bylaws may be presented for consideration at any business meeting of the Section. Upon proper seconding of the motion presenting the amendment, final action shall be deferred until the next regular meeting, at which time the amendment shall automatically be considered. Approval shall require at least a two-thirds majority of the members present. The amendment shall become effective upon approval of the Council unless a later date is specified.

ARTICLE 10. STATUS OF PRE-EXISTING BYLAWS

All pre-existing bylaws of the Iowa Section shall be rendered null and void upon formal adoption of these bylaws.

ARTICLE 11. DISSOLUTION OF THE IOWA SECTION

Upon the dissolution of the Iowa Section, all assets of the Section remaining thereafter shall be conveyed to such organization then existent, within or without the territory of the Iowa 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 Iowa Section at the time of the 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.