

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers

OREGON SECTION BYLAWS

(These Bylaws are effective March 1, 2007 and supersede all previous versions.)

Preface

From ASME Manual MM-1, Constitution, By-Laws, and Rules, Article B5.9.2:

“The Council on Member Affairs may authorize the organization of Sections, composed of members of any or all grades. Each Section shall adopt its own By-Laws, for the conduct of its affairs, which must be in harmony with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society. Every publication of such by-laws shall be prefaced with a copy of Article C5.1.2 of the Society's Constitution. A copy of Section By-Laws shall be filed with the Managing Director, Member Affairs.”

From ASME Society Policy P-5.3, Article III.B.6.a.1):

“A section shall have by-laws adopted, and amended by vote of the section members and approved by the section executive committee. A copy of the by-laws will be filed with the Global Communities Vice President and the appropriate staff. The section secretary shall review them to assure basic agreement with the Constitution & By-Laws of the Society. The section by-laws will provide for the nomination and election of section officers and members of the section executive committee by the members of the section.”

From ASME Constitution, Article C5.1.2:

“The provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws and Society Policies established by the Board of Governors of the Society shall govern the procedure of all units of the Society but no action or obligation of such units shall be considered an action or obligation of the Society as a whole.”

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this association shall be the Oregon Section of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

ARTICLE II

Membership

Section 1. All members of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers who have indicated a “for mail” address within the boundaries established by the Society shall be considered members of the Oregon Section.

Section 2. Student Members residing in this area shall be members of the Section without vote.

Section 3. The qualifications of voters at election shall be the same as are prescribed by the Constitution of the Society.

ARTICLE III

Management

Section 1. A member to be eligible to work on committees or hold office in the Oregon Section must be a member of the Oregon Section.

Section 2. The management of the Section shall be vested in a local Executive Committee made up of the Chair, Vice Chair, a Secretary, and a Treasurer (Secretary and Treasurer may be combined into one office), plus three Directors. Two of the Directors shall be elected annually and the third shall be the last retired Chair of the Section.

Section 3. New Officers and Directors shall be elected for one year terms at either the February or March general meeting by simple majority vote of the members present and shall assume office on the first day of July.

Section 4. The local Executive Committee is empowered to appoint for special purposes, temporary subcommittees, upon which non-members of the Society may serve.

Section 5. Any member of any committee who for a period of three months (consecutively) does not take part in the management of the affairs of the Section may be removed as a member of the committee. The Executive Committee shall have the power to terminate members of committees and to fill vacancies in its own membership, such appointees to hold office until the next regular election.

Section 6. The Chair of the Section shall appoint the chairs of the membership and program committees and such other committees as the Section Chair deems desirable. Vacancies on any committee shall be filled by the committee chair. The chairs of appointed committees shall appoint their respective committees with the approval of the Chair of the Section. The Chair of the Section shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

ARTICLE IV

Nominations

Section 1. In the month of January of each year the executive committee or its appointees shall nominate candidates per Article III section 2 (executive committee members and directors).

Section 2. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the general meeting prior to the vote.

ARTICLE V

Miscellaneous

Section 1. Propositions for amendments to these Bylaws may be submitted in writing to any regular meeting of the Section. If approved by a vote of two thirds of those present at the meeting, the amendment or amendments shall become part of these Bylaws.

Section 2. The Chair and Vice Chair of the Section shall be the official delegates to the Regional Administrative Committee Meeting. In case either cannot attend, the Secretary and Treasurer shall be first and second alternates, respectively.

Section 3. Retiring officers and newly elected officers will meet for the purpose of completing the active year's business and the transfer of each officer's records to the newly elected officer, at such date, time, and place as designated by the newly elected Chair, not later than June 30.

Section 4. Parliamentary procedures of the Section shall be in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order in all cases to which they apply and in which cases they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws.

Section 5. These Bylaws shall go into effect on March 1, 2007.

Prepared by the Bylaws Committee of Larry Dodge, George Kent, and Kay Leonard on October 08, 2006.

Approved at the general meeting of the Oregon Section on January 3, 2007.

Reviewed by Oregon Section Secretary, Al Pierce, and submitted on January 19, 2007 to ASME District D District Leader Bill Robbins with request to forward to ASME Global Communities Vice President.