

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS

HAWAII SECTION

BY-LAWS

PREFACE

Article R5E, Rule 1: "Each section shall adopt its own By-Laws, for the conduct of its affairs, provided such are in harmony with the Constitution, By-Laws, and Rules of the Society, and provided also every publication of such by-laws be prefaced with a copy of this Rule and with a copy of C5, Sec. 2 of the Society's Constitution. A copy of these By-Laws shall be filed with the Executive Director and Secretary."

Article C5, Section 2: "The provisions of the Constitution, By-Laws, and Rules of the Society shall cover the procedure of all components of the Society, but no action or obligation of such components shall be considered an action or obligation of the Society as a whole. This provision shall be imprinted on any publication issued by such components."

Amended By-Laws Adopted October 1, 1973.

ARTICLE I

Name

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Hawaii Section of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

ARTICLE II

Objectives

Section 1. The objectives of this Section are to promote the Arts and Sciences of mechanical engineering and allied arts and sciences; to encourage research; to foster engineering education; to advance the standards of engineering; to promote the intercourse of engineers among themselves and with allied technologists; and severally and in cooperation with other engineering and technical societies to broaden the usefulness of the engineering profession. (Article C-2, Section 1, Constitution and By-Laws of the ASME, Revision December, 1972.)

ARTICLE III
Membership

Section 1. All members of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers residing in or near the State of Hawaii, within the boundaries established by the Society, shall be considered members of the Hawaii Section.

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

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

ARTICLE IV
Management

Section 1. The management of the Hawaii Section shall be vested in an Executive Committee made up of the officers of the Section, the immediate past chairman, plus two directors, one of the directors shall be elected annually to serve for two (2) years.

Section 2. The officers of the Section shall be a Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

Section 3. New officers and directors shall be elected by letter ballot in the month of February each year and shall assume office on the first day of July following in accordance with the uniform practice of all sections.

Section 4. The 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 shall automatically cease to be a member of the committee. The Executive Committee shall have power to fill vacancies in its own membership, such appointees to hold office until the next regular election.

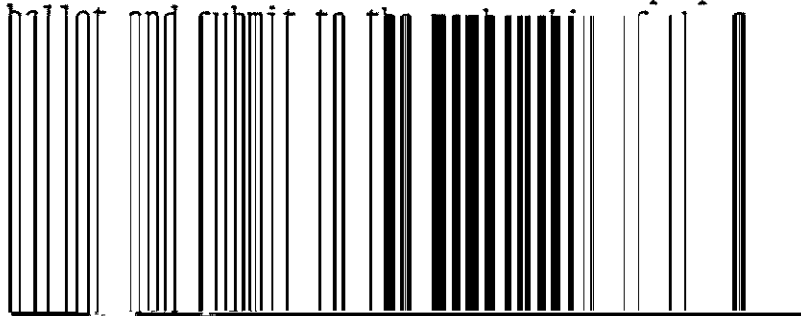
ARTICLE V
Nominations

Section 1. The Nominating Committee shall prepare a slate of nominees for the offices on the Executive Committee, the director, and the Nominating Committee to serve for the ensuing year, beginning July 1, except for the director who serves for two (2) years. The slate shall be presented to the membership during the month of January.

Section 2. Additional nominations may be made by petition, signed by not less than twenty (20) per cent of the Section membership and submitted to the Nominating Committee by February 1. The names of such nominees shall be added to the letter ballot.

ARTICLE VI Election

Section 1. The Nominating Committee shall prepare the letter



Election whose duty it shall be to canvass the votes cast. The term of office of the Tellers shall expire when their report of the canvass has been presented and accepted by the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Chairman shall notify the candidates having the largest number of votes for their respective offices including the five (5) candidates receiving the largest number of votes for the Nominating Committee. These candidates shall be declared elected.

ARTICLE VII Amendments

Section 1:

A. Propositions for amendments to these By-Laws shall be submitted to the Executive Committee by any qualified member of the Section. The Executive Committee may approve or disapprove of any proposition for amendment. If approved the proposition shall be submitted to the membership of the Section within three (3) months for their consideration. The vote shall be by letter ballot to close fifteen (15) days from the date of mailing. If approved by two-thirds of the votes cast, the amendment, or amendments shall become part of these By-Laws.

B. If the proposition for amendment to these By-Laws is disapproved by the Executive Committee the petitioner may resubmit the proposition to the Executive Committee, signed by not less than ten (10) qualified members of the Section. The Executive Committee shall then submit the proposition to the membership of the Section for consideration within three (3) months. The vote shall be by letter ballot, to close fifteen (15) days from the date of mailing. If approved by two-thirds of the votes cast, the amendment or amendments, shall become

ARTICLE VIII
Miscellaneous

Section 1. The chairman and chairman elect respectively shall be delegates to the regional administrative conference. If either cannot attend the regional administrative conference, an alternate, or alternates, shall be selected by the Executive Committee.

Amendments to the Hawaii Section By-Laws

ARTICLE IV Management

Add Section 6 as follows:

Section 6. Removal from Office. Any Hawaii Section Executive Committee member is subject to removal from office for nonperformance of duties as delineated below. Upon written notification by any member of the Section detailing charges, the remaining Executive Committee members not charged shall form a Special Committee with the highest positioned officer presiding. This Special Committee shall conduct an investigation of the charges and compile a report detailing the charges and their findings. If appropriate the presiding officer will then establish a date for a hearing by the Special Committee not less than thirty (30) days from the date of the report. The individual charged has the right to be present at the hearing, to present his or her case in person or in writing, and to be represented by counsel. A unanimous vote of the Special Committee is required for removal.

Nonperformance of Duties. Nonperformance of duties is defined as being any one or more of the following:

1. Unexcused absence from three consecutive Executive Committee meetings.
2. Failure to perform duties as specified in the ASME Manual ML-10, Section, Subsection and Local Group Operations, latest publication.
3. Statement or action inimical to the Section or the Society.

In accordance with the Hawaii Section By-Laws, this amendment was approved by two-thirds or more of the votes cast by the membership, June 18, 2002, after which the amended by-laws was filed with the Group Director, Regional Operations of the Section who reviews them to assure basic agreement with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society.