# BOSTON SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS SECTION AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS <br> (As Amended February 19, 1975) <br> PREAMBLE 

The members of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, in accordance with their charter and for the more effectual execution of the design of their institution, establish and ordain the following Constitution and Bylaws for the government of said Section

## CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE 1

Name and Location
SECTION 1. The name of this organization shall be the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

SECTION 2. The headquarters of the Section shall be located in Metropolitan Boston.

SECTION 3. Branches with headquarters at other locations within the boundaries of the Section, as defined by the American Society of Civil Engineers, may be established by vote of the Section in accordance with the following requirements:
(a) Those proposing a new branch shall demonstrate in writing how it will be of advantage to members in the area to have a branch.
(b) A petition containing a minimum of 15 signatures of American Society of Civil Engineers members residing in the area shall be submitted through the Section to the Board of Direction of the American Society of Civil Engineers for approval.
(c) A proposed branch area shall contain a minimum potential of $30 \mathrm{mem}-$ bers of the American Society of Civil Engineers.
(d) A proposed branch must have distinct boundaries stated in the petition.

## ARTICLE 2 <br> Objects

SECTION 1. The objects of this Section are: the professional improvement of its members, the advancement of engineering knowledge, the cultivation of friendly relations among engineers and men of practical science, the maintenance of high professional standards, and cooperation with other engineering societies, in a manner consistent with the objectives of the American Society of Civil Engineers. For the promotion of these objects, meetings of the Section shall be held.

ARTICLE 3.
Membership
SECTION 1. All members of the American Society of Civil Engineers of all grades, whose addresses are within the boundaries of the Section, as defined by the American Society of Civil Engineers, shall be Assigned Members of the Section. All Assigned Members and other members, who have paid the fees and current dues, shall be Subscribing Members of the Section. Assigned Members who are not Subscribing Members may not vote, hold office, serve on committees, represent the Section officially or have a voice or part in the government of the Section.

SECTION 2. The Section shall have local Subscribing Membership grades of Member, Honorary Member, Life Member, Associate Member, Affiliate and Junior Affiliate.

SECTION 3. Member. A Member, at the time of his advancement or admission to this grade, shall
(a) be a Fellow or Member of the American Society of Civil Engineers; or, in lieu of (a)
(b) have been a Member in good standing, of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers at the time it became the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, or
(c) be an Associate Member of the Section who was a Junior Member, in good standing, of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers at the time it became the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, who is not less than twenty-four years of age and has been in the active practice of his profession for at least four years. Graduation from a school of engineering of recognized standing shall be considered as equivalent to two years of active practice.
SECTION 4. Honorary Member. An Honorary Member of the Section shall be a person of eminent engineering attainment whom the Section shall deem worthy of the distinction. All Honorary Members of the American Society of Civil Engineers who resided within the boundaries of the Massachusetts Section at the time it became the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section shall be Honorary Members of the Section. All Honorary Members of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers at the time it became the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers shall be Honorary Members of the Section.

SECTION 5. Life Member. A Life Member, at the time of his advancement to this grade, shall
(a) be a Life Member of the American Society of Civil Engineers residing within the boundaries of the Section, or
(b) have been a Life Member of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers at the time it became the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers; or in lieu of (a) or (b)
(c) be a Subscribing Member who has paid dues to the Section or the Boston Society of Civil Engineers for a period of forty years. or
(d) who has reached the age of seventy years and has paid dues to the Section or the Boston Society of Civil Engineers for a period of thirty years.
SECTION 6. Associate Member. An Associate Member, at the time of his admission, shall
(a) be an Associate Member of the American Society of Civil Engineers; or in lieu of (a)
(b) have been a Junior Member in good standing of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers at the time it became the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers.
Transfer from the grade of Associate Member to the grade of Affiliate shall be automatic at the end of twelve years after admission to this grade, unless there shall be pending an application for transfer to the grade of Member. However, an Associate Member may be granted an extension of time for intervening military service.

SECTION 7. Affiliate. An Affiliate, at the time of his advancement or admission to this grade, shall
(a) be an Affiliate Member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, or
(b) have been an Associate in good standing, of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers at the time it became the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers; or in lieu of (a) or (b)
(c) be a civil, mechanical or electrical engineer or a member of another recognized profession;
(d) be not less than twenty-four years of age; and
(e) have been in the active practice of his profession for at least four years. Graduation from a school of engineering of recognized standing shall be considered as equivalent to two years of active practice.
SECTION 8. Junior Affiliate. A Junior Affiliate, at the time of his admission, shall
(a) be engaged in the active practice of some branch of engineering or other technical profession, or a graduate of a school of engineering of recognized standing and
(b) be not less than twenty years of age.

The connection of a Junior Affiliate with the Section shall cease at age twentyeight unless he shall have transferred to another grade. The Board of Government, for reasons which it may deem sufficient, may waive the age limit.

SECTION 9. Subscribing Members of all grades shall be entitled to all privileges of the Section except the right to vote and to hold office, which rights shall be limited to Members, Life Members and Associate Members, provided however, that such member as may be elected Honorary Member shall retain the right to vote and to hold office.

SECTION 10. Unless a Subscribing Member of the Section was a member, in good standing, of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers at the time it became the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers,the termination of membership in the American Society of Civil Engineers shall automatically terminate a Subscribing Member's rights to continue as a Member or Associate Member of the Section.

## ARTICLE 4

## Officers

SECTION 1. The officers of the Section shall consist of a President, two VicePresidents, the Vice-President of each Branch, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and four Directors. All of the officers, with the exception the the Branch Vice-Presidents shall be elected at the Annual Meeting in the manner established in the Bylaws; shall assume their duties at the close of said meeting; and shall hold office until their successors are duly chosen. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected for one year, and the Vice Presidents and Directors for two years, one Vice-President and two Directors being elected each year. At least one of the four Directors shall be an Associate Member. One Branch Vice-President shall be elected annually by each Branch, in the manner established by the Branch Bylaws.

SECTION 2. The officers of the Section together with the three latest Past Presidents who continue to be members of the Section and are available for service shall constitute the Board of Government which shall have general management of the affairs of the Section.

SECTION 3. In case of a vacancy in the office of President, the senior Vice President and the junior Vice President shall succeed to the office in the order stated. In the case of a failure in the succession, the latest Past President who is a member of the Section and willing to serve shall act as President.

SECTION 4. In the case of a vacancy in the office of Vice President or Director, the Board of Government may fill the office for the period remaining to the next Annual Election. Provision shall be made at the Annual Election so that all offices shall be filled.

SECTION 5. In the case of a vacancy in the office of Secretary or Treasurer, the Board of Government may fill the office for the unexpired term.

## ARTICLE 5

Meetings - Quorum

SECTION 1. Meetings of the Section shall be held at such time as may be prescribed by the Bylaws.

SECTION 2. The Annual Meeting for the election of officers and for the hearing of the annual reports shall be held in April.

SECTION 3. Twenty-five voting members shall constitue a quorum for the transaction of business.

## ARTICLE 6

## Amendments

SECTION 1. Proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be first submitted in writing to the Secretary, endorsed by at least twenty voting members of the Section. The Board of Government shall designate some subsequent regular meeting, not later than four months from the date of receipt of the petition, for discussion or amendment of the proposed amendment and shall so signify in the notice for said meeting. This no tice shall contain a copy of the proposed amendment. If the proposed amendment, in its original or amended form, shall be adopted by a majority of the members present and voting, it shall be forthwith submitted as adopted, in the form of a letter ballot to the voting members for final action. The letter ballot shall be accompanied by a notice of the date of the meeting at which the ballots will be canvassed, which date shall be not less than three weeks later than the date of issue. An affirmative vote of two-thirds of all ballots cast shall be necessary to the adoption of any Amendment. The Amendment shall not become effective until it has received the approval of the Board of Direction of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

## BYLAWS

## ARTICLE 1

## Meetings

SECTION 1. Regular meetings of the Section shall be held monthly, excepting July and August, unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Government.

SECTION 2. The President may call special meetings of the Section when he deems it expedient, and shall do so at the written request of ten voting members, stating the purpose of such meeting.

SECTION 3. The parliamentary authority for all Section meetings shall be the current edition of Robert's Rules of Oder.

## ARTICLE 2

## Committees

SECTION 1. All special Committees and membership thereto shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Board of Government. The President shall be a member ex-officio of all committees, except the Nominating Committee and committees administering endowment funds where the terms of the endowment provide otherwise. The President may delegate his ex-officio membership status on any or all of the committees to either of the Vice-Presidents. The administration of each endowment fund committee shall be in accordance with the regulations governing the endowment.

SECTION 2. For the better fulfillment of the "Objects" of the Section as set forth in Article 2 of the Constitution, the Section shall establish special committees that address themselves to matters of concern to civil engineers. Such committees may include, but not necessarily be limited to, legislative affairs, student chapters, community affairs, social needs, and professional status of engineers.

SECTION 3. A committee consisting of two Directors, to be appointed by the President, shall annually audit the accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer.

SECTION 4. An organization of Associate Members may be formed within the membership of the Section and shall be designated "Associate Member Forum."

## ARTICLE 3

## Election of Officers

SECTION 1. Whenever officers of the Section, with the exception of the Branch Vice-President, are to be elected, nominations shall be made by a Nominating Committee. This committee shall consist of the three latest Past Presidents who are members of the Board of Government, and six elective members, three of whom shall be elected at each Annual Meeting to serve two years. At the time of the Annual Election, the Nominating Committee shall make nominations to fill vacancies in any office or in the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall organize and act under its own rules. It may make nominations whether at the time it consists of nine members or of less, but the approval of at least two-thirds of the members of the Nominating Committee shall be required for a nomination.

SECTION 2. Whenever a President, Vice-President, Director, Secretary or Treasurer is to be elected, the Nominating Committee shall nominate one candidate for each office to be filled. Whenever a member of the nominating Committee is to be elected, the Nominating Committee shall nominate two candidates for each office to be filled.

SECTION 3. The Nominating Committee shall file with the Secretary, at least ten weeks before the Annual Meeting, a list of its nominations accompanied by a statement that the consent of each nominee has been obtained. The Secretary shall transmit by mail the list to each voting member of the Section at least nine weeks before the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 4. An additional nomination for any office may be made by any twen-ty-five voting members of the Section who sign a nomination paper to that effect and file it with the Secretary at least six weeks before the date of the Annual Meeting, accompanied by the written consent of the nominee.

SECTION 5. At least four weeks before the day of the Annual Meeting, the Secretary shall send to each voting member of the Section a letter ballot bearing the names of all nominees. Ballots shall state the hour at which polls will close on the day of the Annual Meeting. When returned to the Secretary, each ballot shall be enclosed in two envelopes, the inner one to be blank, and outer one to be endorsed by the member's signature. The President shall appoint two tellers who shall canvass all ballots and the results shall be announced at the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 6. The candidate for any office receiving the largest number of legal votes by letter ballot shall be elected. In the event of a tie, the meeting shall elect by ballot from among the candidates tied. A majority of the votes so cast is required for election.

SECTION 7. The Branch Vice-President shall be nominated and elected by the members of the Branch in accordance with the procedures adopted by the Branch provided the procedures have previously received the approval of the Board of Government. Such Branch Vice-President shall be a resident of the branch area he represents.

## ARTICLE 4

## Duties of Officers

SECTION 1. The President shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Section. He shall preside at all meetings of the Section and of the Board of Government at which he may be present.

SECTION 2. The Vice-President in order of seniority shall preside at meetings in the absence of the President. When so designated by the President, they shall serve as ex-officio members of committees and shall assist the President by assuming such administrative, supervisory or other duties which the President elects to delegate to them.

SECTION 3. The Secretary, under the direction of the President and Board of Government, shall be the executive officer of the Section. He shall keep records of all meetings of the Section and of the Board of Government; shall receive all fees, dues and other moneys due the Section (except the income on invested funds) and transfer the same monthly to the Treasurer; shall have general supervision of the Section office and staff; shall carry on the official correspondence of the Section, and shall make reports of meetings and other activities of the Section to the Board of Direction of the American Society of Civil Engineers and the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 4. The Treasurer, under the direction of the President and Board of Government, shall be charged with the custody and investment of all funds of the Section, except as established by the terms of endowments. The Treasurer shall file annually an approved surety bond in an amount to be determined by the Board of Government, the premium on said bond to be paid from the Section's funds. He shall receive all funds transmitted to the Secretary and shall pay all bills or other indebtedness of the Section as properly approved by the President. He shall keep an accurate record of all receipts and disbursements and of all property of the Section in his charge and shall render a report of same at the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 5. The Branch Vice-President shall be the official delegate from the Branch and shall represent the Branch on the Board of Government. He shall assist the President and shall assume such duties as are delegated to him by the President.

SECTION 6. The Board of Government shall have general management of the affairs of the Section in conformity with the Constitution and Bylaws. It shall hold stated meetings at least once in every month, excepting July and August, and at such other times as it may determine or when called by the President. All questions shall be decided by majority vote. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Board of Government shall direct the investment and care of funds of the Section; shall order all ordinary or current expenses; shall fix all salaries; shall act upon applications for memberships as hereinafter provided; and shall report at each Annual Meeting. To perform these duties, it may make such rules and regulations as it may deem necessary; and may appoint committees and delegate to them such of its powers as it may deem expedient, provided, however, that any action of a committee unfavorable to any member shall be reported to the whole Board for final action. No action by the Board of Government shall conflict with the established policy of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

SECTION 7. No officer or committee shall make expenditures or incur indebtedness for which the Section shall be responsible without previous authorization of the Board of Government.

## ARTICLE 5

## Election of Members

SECTION 1. Honorary Members shall be proposed by at least ten voting Members and shall be elected by written ballot of the Board of Government. The affirmative vote of at least eleven members of the Board of Government shall be necessary for election. A person elected an Honorary Member shall be promptly notified thereof by letter. The election shall become void if an acceptance is not received within six months after the mailing of such notice.

SECTION 2. Names of members who have attained the requirements of Life Member shall be submitted to the Board of Government by the Secretary each year. Such members shall be recorded as Life Members, shall be advised of this action and their names shall be announced at the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 3. Names of Assigned Members who have paid the fees and first year's dues shall be recorded as Subscribing Members and their names shall be announced at the nest Section meeting. Such members shall be furnished a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws.

SECTION 4. An application from-members of the American Society of Civil Engineers for admission to the Section as an Affiliate or Junior Affiliate, or for transfer to the grade of Affiliate shall contain over the candidate's signature a statement of his age, residence, and qualifications for membership. The applicant shall furnish as references the names of at least four members to whom he is personally known. Each member listed as a reference shall be required by the Secretary to address a letter to the Board of Government on a form prescribed by said Board stating the extent of the writer's personal knowledge of the applicant and of his professional work and character. If less than four of the references furnish the requested information the Secretary shall call upon the applicant for additional names, and not until written communications shall have been received from at least four members shall the applicant be considered by the Board.

An applicant for admission to the grade of Junior Affiliate who is a graduate of a school of engineering of recognized standing shall furnish the names of four members to whom he is personally known, or in lieu of two of those members, the names of two of his professors.

Each application from a non-member of the American Society of Civil Engineers for admission or for transfer shall be referred to the Local Membership Review Committee for investigation. A personal interview may be required where deemed advisable. At the meeting of the Section next following receipt of the application, the name of the applicant shall be announced with a request that members transmit to the Board any information which may be of assistance in the consideration of the application. Not sooner than ten days after said announcement, the Local Membership Review Committee shall consider the applicant together with any information regarding the applicant that may have been received, shall classify the applicant and report its recommendations to the Board, in writing. Thereafter, the Board shall consider the application and shall vote thereon by written ballot. The votes of at least two-thirds of the members of the Board of Government shall be required to constitute an election. Two or more negative votes shall preclude election. The names of the elected candidates shall be announced at the next Section meeting. Each elected candidate shall be duly notified of his election and shall be furnished a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws.

A rejected applicant may renew his application for membership or for transfer at any time after the expiration of one year from the date of the ballot rejecting his previous application.

SECTION 5. A committee of three members' of the Board of Government shall be appointed by the President each year to act as the Local Membership Review Committee.

## ARTICLE 6

## Fees and Dues

SECTION 1. The entrance fee for Members and Affilites shall be ten dollars, and for Associate Members and Junior Affiliates, five dollars. There shall be no entrance fee for applicants who have been members of a student chapter for at least one year and who apply from this grade of membership
(a) within one year after graduating in engineering from a school of recognized standing or
(b) while admitted to a not less than half-time program leading to a graduate degree in engineering from a school of recognized standing following receipt of a Bachelor's or equivalent degree or within one year after termination of such graduate studies.
There shall be no fee for transfer to a higher grade. There shall be no entrance fee for a member who was a Subscribing Member in good standing, of the Massachusetts Section at the time it became the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section, provided that he became a Subscribing Member of the Section within ten months of the time of the merger. There shall be no entrance fee for a member who was a member in good standing of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers at the time it became the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

SECTION 2. The dues shall be payable in advance for the calendar year. The annual dues shall be as tabulated below:

|  | Member of ASCE |  | Non-Member of ASCE |  |
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| Grade | Resident | Non-Resident | Resident | Non-Resident |
| Member | $\$ 15.00$ | $\$ 10.00$ | $\$ 20.00$ | $\$ 15.00$ |
| Associate Member (1) | 10.00 | 7.50 | 15.00 | 12.50 |
| Affiliate | 15.00 | 10.00 | 20.00 | 15.00 |
| Junior Affiliate (2) |  |  | 15.00 | 12.50 |

(1) Associate Members in grade for over seven years shall pay the same dues as Members.
(2) Junior Affiliates in grade for over seven years shall pay the same dues as Affiliates.
Resident Members shall be members of any grade residing within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts but outside the Western Branch Area. All other members shall be Non-Resident Members.

A member who becomes a Subscribing Member during the period from July to December inclusive shall pay one-half year's dues for that calendar year.

SECTION 3. Honorary Members shall not be subject to payment of fees, dues or assessments. Life Members shall be exempt from the payment of dues and assessments.

SECTION 4. The Board of Government, for such reason as it may deem sufficient, may remit the dues in any current year of any member whom it may find to be unable to pay the same. No record is to be made of such member, but the number of such cases shall be reported to the Section Annually.

## ARTICLE 7 <br> Resignation of Membership

SECTION 1. Any person whose indebtedness to the Section has been fully paid may withdraw from membership by notifying the Secretary. Any person so resigning his membership may, at the discretion of the Board of Government, be reinstated without again paying the entrance fee.

## ARTICLE 8 <br> Forfeiture of Membership

SECTION 1. Ten months after the start of the calendar year, the Secretary shall notify each Subscribing Member who has not paid his dues for the current year, that unless payment is made within thirty days, his subscribing membership in the Section shall cease and his name shall be removed from the list of Subscribing Members. The Board of Government may, however, at its discretion reinstate such person on the payment of all arrears.

## ARTICLE 9

Expulsion of Subscribing Members Who Are Not Members of the American Society of Civil Engineers

SECTION 1. A member may be expelled from the Section for proper cause. Such cause shall be determined by the Board of Government, and shall include without limitation thereto conduct, or practice, not in accord with the Code of Ethics of the American Society of Civil-Engineers.

SECTION 2. Any three members of the Section shall have the right to present to the Board of Government any information regarding the conduct of any member which is considered to constitue proper cause for expulsion. The communication shall be in writing, properly documented and authenticated.

SECTION 3. The Board of Government shall consider the matter promptly at the time of regular or special meetings. All actions shall be based upon an affirmative vote of at least nine members of the Board of Government. All ballots shall be made in writing and a numerical count thereof shall be recorded. The Board of Government shall have the right to carry on an investigation into the conduct of a member to such extent by whatever means it shall deem appropriate, and may request the member whose conduct is under investigation to appear before it for interrogation.

SECTION 4. If after considering the matter, the Board of Government deems it best, it shall adivise the member that his resignation will be accepted. The member shall be furnished a statement of the charges against him. He shall be allowed reasonable time to prepare a defense, and be given an opportunity to appear before the Board of Government if he so desires. The Board of Government may then pass finally upon the matter and, if the resignation has not been tendered or a satisfactory defense made, may expel the member, in which case he shall be so notified and his membership terminated.

## ARTICLE 10

## Permanent Fund

SECTION 1. There shall be a fund called the Permanent Fund, to which shall be added all money received from entrance fees, such sums as are voted by the Board of Government, and all income from investments of the Permanent Fund. In any fiscal year of the Section, the income from the Permanent Fund, upon vote of the Board of Government, may be transferred to the current fund for the payment of current expenses to the extent necessary to maintain the current fund. No other sum shall be appropriated from the Permanent Fund except in the manner prescribed for amending the Bylaws. Any such appropriation or any part thereof not used or committed during the fiscal year shall be returned to the Permanent Fund.

## ARTICLE 11

## Branches

SECTION 1. All branches shall be governed by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Section, so far as applicable, but they shall be entitled to make additional bylaws for their own use and government; provided that said additional bylaws be not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Section, and that they be filed with and approved by the Board of Government.

SECTION 2. The officers of each branch shall be a Branch President, Branch Vice-President, Branch Secretary and Branch Treasurer, who shall be elected members of the branch annually.

SECTION 3. The general governemnt of each branch shall be vested in an Executive Committee, consisting of the officers of the branch, three additional members of the branch who shall be elected annually, and the President of the Section ex-officio.

SECTION 4. The officers of each branch may expend such sums for the expenses of meetings as may be appropriated by the Board of Government.

SECTION 5. Any branch may be abolished by the Section by a two-thirds vote of all the voting members present at any regular meeting, upon recommendation of the Board of Government, due notice of such recommendation having been sent with the notice of the meeting to each member of the Section.

## ARTICLE 12

## Technical Groups

SECTION 1. The Board of Government may establish technical groups for the consideration of special areas of civil engineering. Such groups shall in all cases be known as "The (name) Group of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers Section" and shall consist of not less than ten members of the Section. Such groups may also be abolished by the Board of Government.

SECTION 2. Unless a technical group is in active operation within three months from the date of its establishment, the authorization for its formation shall be void.

SECTION 3. All technical groups shall be governed by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Section, so far as applicable, but they shall be entitled to make additional bylaws for their own use and government; provided that said additional bylaws be not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Section, and that they be filed with and approved by the Board of Government.

SECTION 4. The officers of each technical group shall be a Chairman, ViceChairman and Clerk, who shall be elected by the members of the group annually.

SECTION 5. The general government of each technical group shall be vested in an Executive Committee, consisting of the officers of the group, three additional members of the Group who shall be elected annually, and the President of the Section, ex-officio.

SECTION 6. The officers of each technical group may expend such sums for the expenses of meetings as may be appropriated by the Board of Government.

SECTION 7. The Chairman of each technical group may attend the regular meeting of the Board of Government, but shall have no vote.

## ARTICLE 13

## Affiliation with Other Technical Organizations

SECTION 1. For the better fulfillment of the "Objects" of the Section as set forth in Article 2 of the Constitution the Section may become affiliated with other technical organizations or groups. Such affiliations shall require the approval of the members in the manner prescribed for amending the Bylaws. The delegates to such affiliated organizations shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Board of Government.

SECTION 2. The Section shall be a member of the New England Council of the American Society of Civil Enginers. The Board of Government shall appoint two representatives to this Council. One of the two representatives shall be a member of the Board of Government. The terms of office of the representatives and alternate shall coincide with the terms of the President of the Council.

## ARTICLE 14

## Endorsements

SECTION 1. The Section shall not endorse any action except in the manner prescribed for amending the Bylaws.

## ARTICLE 15

Amendments
SECTION 1. An amendment to the Bylaws may be made by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, cast in favor of such ammendment at each of two successive regular meetings; due notice of the proposed amendment having been sent to each member with the notices of the meetings.

