

SECTION BY-LAWS

THE INTERNATIONAL AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS, HUDSON-MOHAWK SECTION

(The following is excerpted from Society Policy P-5.3):

"Each Section shall adopt its own By-Laws, for the conduct of its own affairs, provided such are in harmony with the constitution and By-Laws shall be prefaced by the previous sentence and with a copy of Article C5.1.2 of the Society's Constitution. A copy of these By-Laws shall be filed with the Managing Director for Member Affairs."

Article C5.1.2

The provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws and Policies and procedures established by the Board of Governors of the Society shall govern the procedure of all components, shall be considered obligation of such components, shall be considered an action or obligation of the Society as a whole".

ARTICLE I

Name

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Hudson-Mohawk 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 in or near Albany, Clinton, Delaware, Essex, Fulton, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Warren, or Washington counties in New York, within the boundaries established by the Society, shall be considered members of the Hudson-Mohawk Section.

Section 2. Student member 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 III

Management

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

Section 2. The Management of the Section shall be vested in a local Executive Committee made up of the officers of the Section, plus up to four directors, all of whom shall be elected annually, to serve for two years. The immediate past chair, as well as the chairs of section technical chapters, are ex-officio members of the section executive committee.

Section 3. The officers of the Section shall be chair, vice chair, a secretary, and a treasurer (or a secretary-treasurer).

Section 4. New officers and directors shall be elected by either letter or electronic ballot in the month of June each year, and shall assume office on the first day of July following, in accordance with the uniform practice of all the sections.

Section 5. The local Executive Committee is empowered to appoint for special purposes temporary subcommittees, upon which non-members of the Society may serve.

Section 6. 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 receive a warning from the chair, and after four months 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 IV

Nominations

Section 1. The nominating committee of the Section shall be made up of the most recent past chairs of the Section. The retiring chair of the Section shall act as chair of the nominating committee.

Section 2. In the month of April each year the nominating committee shall prepare either a letter or an electronic ballot for the election of officers and/or executive committee members. It shall announce its selections to the Section approximately and at least one month prior to the date of sending out the letter ballot.

Section 3. Additional nominations may be made by petition, signed by not less than two percent of the Section membership (or by not less than 15 qualified members of the Section). The names of such nominees shall be added to the ballot as a special list.

Section 4. The ballot thus prepared shall be submitted to the membership of the Section, to be canvassed not less than 30 days after the date of notice, i.e., date of mailing, electronic mailing or web site posting.

ARTICLE V:

Miscellaneous

Section 1.

Propositions for amendments to these By-Laws may be submitted to the Executive Committee by any qualified member of the Section. If approved by the Executive Committee, they shall be submitted to the membership of the Section for consideration. Vote shall be by either letter or electronic ballot, to close 30 days from the date of notice. If approved by 2/3 of the votes cast, the amendment, or amendments, shall become part of these By-Laws.

Section 2. These By-Laws shall go into effect on June 1, 2003.

April 9, 2003