Appendix L: ByLaws

Proposed By-laws (circa 1959)

Missouri Section

Mathematical Association of America

ARTICLE I Name and Purpose

- 1. The name of this Section shall be the Missouri Section of the Mathematical Association of America, Inc.
- 2. The purposes of this Section shall be to carry out the purposes of the national organization in Missouri.

ARTICLE II Membership

- 1. The membership of the Section shall be as follows:
 - (a). The membership of The Mathematical Association of America, Inc. resident in Missouri, unless a member has notified the Secretary otherwise;
 - (b). Members of the Mathematical Association of America, Inc., who reside in territory not included in any Section and who notify the Secretary that they wish to be members of this section.

ARTICLE III Officers

- 1. The officers of the Section shall be a Chairman, Vice-chairman and Secretary-Treasurer.
- 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Section and the sectional governor.
- 3. The officers shall be members of the Section.
- 4. The officers shall be elected annually at the annual meeting of the Section and shall assume office upon the adjournment of this meeting.

- 5. The officers may be nominated by a committee appointed by the Chairman, but this shall not prevent other nominations being made by any member at the time of the annual election.
- 6. The Chairman and all other officers shall be eligible for immediate re-election.
- 7. The Chairman shall preside, or shall appoint a member to preside, at all meetings of the Section. The Chairman, when present, shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Committee. He shall have general charge and shall execute the affairs of the Section. He shall appoint all committees unless otherwise directed by the members at the meeting and he shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.
- 8. The Vice-chairman shall assume the duties of the Chairman at Section meetings and at meetings of the Executive Committee in the absence of the Chairman.
- 9. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep all the books, accounts and records of the Section. The Secretary-Treasurer shall receive all monies paid into the Section for any purpose and shall deposit such money in a bank to the account of the Section, taking a regular receipt of deposit thereof. The Secretary-Treasurer shall pay all bills of the Section out of the Section funds after the approval of the Chairman. After each meeting of the Section the Secretary-Treasurer shall prepare a summary of the meeting and submit it to the Secretary of the Association.
- 10. The Executive Committee shall conduct the affairs of the Section between meetings. It is empowered to fill any vacancy among the officers of the Section until the next annual meeting.

ARTICLE IV Meetings

- 1. The Section shall hold at least one meeting each year.
- 2. The time and place of meetings shall be decided by the Executive Committee unless otherwise designated by a resolution by the members at a meeting.
- 3. Programs for all meetings shall be arranged by a committee appointed by the Chairman.

ARTICLE V Dues

Members of the Section shall not be assessed dues. However, the Executive
 Committee may set a registration fee at meetings of the Section provided this fee
 does not exceed one dollar. Such fees shall be used to help pay the expenses of
 conducting the business of the Section.

ARTICLE VI Amendments

- These By-Laws may be amended by a majority of the votes cast by members at any meeting of the Section, subject to the approval by the Board of Governors of The Mathematical Association of America.
- 2. Amendments shall be submitted in writing by the Secretary-Treasurer to all members of the Section at least fifteen days prior to the time of voting.

Proposed By-laws (adopted May 6, 1972)

Missouri Section

Mathematical Association of America

ARTICLE I Name and Purpose

- 1. The name of this Section shall be the Missouri Section of The Mathematical Association of America, Inc.
- 2. The purpose of the Missouri Section shall be to assist in the improvement of education in the mathematical sciences at the collegiate level by carrying out the purposes of the national organization within the territory defined below in Article II, Section 1.

ARTICLE II Membership

- 1. The membership of the Section shall be as follows:
 - (a) The membership of The Mathematical Association of America, Inc. resident in Missouri, unless a member has notified the secretary otherwise;
 - (b) Members of the Mathematical Association of America, Inc., who reside in territory not included in any section and who notify the Secretary that they wish to be members of this Section.

ARTICLE III Officers

- 1. The officers of the Section shall be a Chairman, Vice-chairman and Secretary-Treasurer.
- 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Section, the sectional governor, and the immediate past Chairman of the Section.
- 3. The officers shall be members of the Section.
- 4. The Vice-Chairman shall be elected annually at the annual meeting of the Section and shall be Chairman elect of the Section. The Chairman and Vice-chairman shall

- assume office upon the adjournment of this meeting. The Secretary-Treasurer shall serve 3 years and will be elected at the annual meeting on the appropriate year.
- 5. The officers may be nominated by a committee appointed by the Chairman but this shall not prevent other nominations being made by any member at the time of the annual election.
- 6. The Chairman and all other officers shall be eligible for immediate re-election.
- 7. The Chairman shall preside, or shall appoint a member to preside, at all meetings of the Section. The Chairman, when present, shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Committee. He shall have general charge and shall execute the affairs of the Section. He shall appoint all committees unless otherwise directed by the members at a meeting and he shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.
- 8. The Vice-chairman shall assume the duties of the Chairman at Sectional meetings and at meetings of the Executive Committee in the absence of the Chairman.
- 9. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep all the books, accounts and records of the Section. The Secretary-Treasurer shall receive all monies paid into the Section for any purpose and shall deposit such money in a bank to the account of the Section, taking a regular receipt of deposit thereof. The Secretary-Treasurer shall pay all bills of the Section out of the Section funds after the approval of the Chairman. After each meeting of the Section the Secretary-Treasurer shall prepare a summary of the meeting and submit it to the Secretary of the Association.
- 10. The Executive Committee shall conduct the affairs of the Section between meetings. It is empowered to fill any vacancy among the officers of the Section until the next annual meeting.

ARTICLE IV Meetings

- 1. The Section shall hold at least one meeting each year.
- 2. The time and place of meetings shall be decided by the Executive Committee unless otherwise designated by a resolution by the members at a meeting.
- 3. Programs for all meetings shall be arranged by a committee appointed by the Chairman.

ARTICLE V Dues

1. Members of the section shall not be assessed dues. However, the Executive Committee may set a registration fee at meetings of the Section provided this fee does

- not exceed two dollars.* Such fees shall be used to help pay the expenses of conducting the business of the Section.
- 2. The assets of the Missouri Section shall be used exclusively to further the purposes of the Section, and in the event of the dissolution of the Section the remaining assets will be returned to the national organization to be used for a purpose consistent with the purposes of the national organization.

ARTICLE VI Amendments

- 1. These By-laws may be amended by a majority of the votes cast by members at any meeting of the Section, subject to the approval by the Board of Governors of The Mathematical Association of America.
- 2. Amendments shall be submitted in writing by the Secretary-Treasurer to all members of the Section at least fifteen das prior to the time of voting.

^{*} The upper limit on dues was changed to three dollars in 1978.

Missouri Section

Mathematical Association of America, Inc.

ARTICLE I

Name and Purpose

- 1. The name of this section shall be the Missouri Section of The Mathematical Association of America, Inc.
- 2. The purpose of the Missouri Section shall be to assist in the improvement of education in the mathematical sciences at the collegiate level by carrying out the purposes of the national organization within the territory defined below in Article II, Section 1.

ARTICLE II

Membership

- 1. The membership of the Missouri Section shall be as follows:
- (a) The membership of the Mathematical Association of America, Inc. resident in Missouri, unless a member has notified the Secretary otherwise;
- (b) Members of the Mathematical Association of America, Inc., who reside in territory not included in any Section and who notify the Secretary that they wish to be members of this Section.

ARTICLE III

Officers

- 1. The officers of the Section shall be a Chair, Vice-Chair, Past-Chair, Secretary-Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, and Coordinator of Student Chapters.
- 2. The officers shall be members of the Section.
- 3. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Section and the Section Governor.
- 4. A Vice-Chair shall be elected annually at the annual meeting of the Section. He will automatically become the Chair at the next annual meeting and the Past-Chair at the following annual meeting. The Secretary-Treasurer, the Newsletter Editor, and the Coordinator of Student Chapters shall serve three year terms and be elected at consecutive annual meetings. Officers elected during a meeting shall assume office upon the adjournment of that meeting.
- 5. The officers may be nominated by a committee appointed by the Chair, but this shall not prevent

other nominations being made by any member at the time of the annual election.

- 6. All officers shall be eligible for immediate re-election.
- 7. The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Section and the Executive Committee. He shall have general charge and shall execute the affairs of the Section. He shall appoint all committees unless otherwise directed by the members at a meeting and he shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.
- 8. The Vice-Chair shall assume the duties of the Chair at Section meetings and at meetings of the Executive Committee in the absence of the Chair.
- 9. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep all the books, accounts, and records of the Section. The Secretary-Treasurer shall receive all monies paid into the Section for any purpose and shall deposit such money in a bank to the account of the Section, taking regular receipt of deposit thereof. The Secretary-Treasurer shall pay all bills of the Section out of the Section funds after the approval of the Chair. After each meeting of the Section the Secretary-Treasurer shall prepare a summary of the meeting and submit it to the Secretary of the Association.
- 10. The Executive Committee shall conduct the affairs of the Section between meetings. It is empowered to fill any vacancy among the officers of the Section until the next annual meeting.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings

- 1. The Section shall hold at least one meeting each year.
- 2. The time and place of meetings shall be decided by the Executive Committee unless otherwise designated by a resolution by the members at a meeting.
- 3. Programs for all meetings shall be arranged by a committee appointed by the Chair.

ARTICLE V

Dues

- 1. Members of the Section shall not be assessed dues. However, the Executive Committee may set a registration fee at meetings of the Section provided this fee is approved at the business meeting of the Section. Such fees shall be used to help pay the expenses of conducting the business of the Section.
- 2. The assets of the Missouri Section shall be used exclusively to further the purposes of the Section, and in the event of the dissolution of the Section, the remaining assets will be returned to the national organization to be used for a purpose consistent with the purposes of the national organization.

ARTICLE VI

Amendments

- 1. These By-laws may be amended by a majority of the votes cast by members at any meeting of the Section, subject to the approval by the Board of Governors of the Mathematical Association of America, Inc.
- 2. Amendments shall be submitted in writing by the Secretary-Treasurer to all members of the Section at least fifteen days prior to the time of voting.

April 1993

Bylaws of the Missouri Section of the Mathematical Association of America

ARTICLE I

Name and Purpose

- The name of this section shall be the Missouri Section of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA).
- 2. The purpose of the Missouri Section shall be to advance the mission of the MAA on the section level; to offer guidance to the MAA as it forms and fulfills its mission; to provide professional development and networking activities for Section members and mathematics students; and to promote discussion and action on issues affecting mathematics teaching, learning, and research in the Section.

ARTICLE II Membership

The membership of the Missouri Section shall be members of the Mathematical Association of America whose MAA mailing addresses are in Missouri, postal codes 63000 to 65899. Exceptions may be made by the MAA headquarters office upon request of the affected member.

ARTICLE III Officers

- The officers of the Section shall be a Chair, a Vice-Chair, a Past-Chair, a Secretary-Treasurer, a Newsletter Editor, a Web Page Administrator, a Liaison Coordinator, and a Student Chapter Coordinator.
- 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Section and the Section Governor. Each member of the Executive Committee shall be a voting member.
- 3. The officers shall be members of the MAA and of the Missouri Section.
- 4. A Vice-Chair shall be elected annually at the regular business meeting of the Section, will automatically become the Chair at the conclusion of the next regular business meeting, and will become the Past-Chair at the conclusion of the following regular business meeting.

The Secretary-Treasurer, the Newsletter Editor and the Web Page Administrator shall serve three year terms staggered so that the term of one of these three officers expires each year. The term of the Secretary-Treasurer will expire in years congruent to 0 mod 3, the term of the Newsletter Editor will expire in years congruent to 1 mod 3, and the term of the Web Page Administrator will expire in years congruent to 2 mod 3.

The Liaison Coordinator and the Student Chapter Coordinator shall serve three year terms. The term of the Liaison Coordinator will expire in years congruent to 2 mod 3 and the term of the Student Chapter Coordinator will expire in years congruent to 2 mod 3.

The Chair of the Section shall vote in the election of officers only when necessary to resolve a tie.

Officers elected during a business meeting shall assume office upon the adjournment of that meeting. All officers except the Chair, the Vice-Chair and the Past-Chair shall be eligible for re-election at the end of their respective terms.

- 5. Officers will be elected by a vote of the Section members in attendance at the regular business meeting each year. In the fall the Chair will appoint a nominating committee consisting of three section members to select a slate of officers for the positions open that year. Members of this slate will be presented as nominees for the appropriate offices at the business meeting and additional nominations may be made from the floor by Section members before the election.
- 6. The Chair shall preside at all business meetings of the Section and the Executive Committee. The Chair shall be responsible for long-term planning to promote the vitality of the Section. The Chair shall oversee the planning for the annual section meeting, shall appoint all committees except as provided for otherwise in these bylaws, and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, unless otherwise directed by the members at a business meeting.

The Vice-Chair shall assume the duties of the Chair at Section meetings and at meetings of the Executive Committee in the absence of the Chair. The Vice-Chair shall be a member of the Program Committee.

The Past-Chair shall serve as a resource to the other officers and shall chair the Program Committee. The Past-Chair shall assume the duties of the Chair in the event that both the Chair and Vice-Chair are absent.

The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep minutes of official business meetings, maintain and preserve the records of the Section, and send an annual section report to the Committee on Sections. The Secretary-Treasurer also shall receive all monies paid into the Section and deposit such money in a bank to the account of the Section, pay all bills of the Section out of Section funds with the approval of the Chair, maintain accurate records of the Section's finances, and file an annual financial report with the MAA headquarters office.

The Newsletter Editor shall publish the Section Newsletter on a regular basis, keeping the Section membership informed of all regular and special meetings and other pertinent information.

The Web Page Administrator shall maintain the Section's web page, keeping the contents up-to-date and posting newsletters, meeting information, and other relevant items as they become available.

The Liaison Coordinator shall communicate with campus liaisons regarding MAA business.

The Student Chapter Coordinator shall support existing student chapters in the Section and shall encourage and facilitate the formation of new student chapters.

7. The Executive Committee shall conduct the affairs of the Section between meetings.

8. The Executive Committee is empowered to fill any vacancy among the officers of the Section until the next regular business meeting when an election will be held to fill the position. If the term of the position being filled does not expire at that meeting, the person elected will complete the unexpired term. If the position of Vice-Chair is filled by appointment, a Chair will be elected at the next regular business meeting.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings

- 1. The Section shall hold at least one meeting each year. The Annual Meeting of the Missouri Section of the MAA will be a conference-type event, including invited speakers, contributed talks, and the regular business meeting of the Section.
- 2. The time and place of meetings shall be decided by the Executive Committee unless otherwise designated by a resolution by the members at a business meeting.
- 3. The Program Committee shall be responsible for planning the major speakers for annual meetings. Planning for all other aspects of meetings shall be the responsibility of committees appointed by the Chair
- 4. A special business meeting may be called by the Executive Committee. Also, a special business meeting shall be held if a petition requesting such a meeting and signed by 15 members of the Section is submitted to the Chair.
- 5. Each member of the Section shall be notified in writing or electronically 20 days in advance of any regular or special business meeting of the Section.
- 6. A quorum for a business meeting shall consist of not fewer than 15 members of the Section, and no business may be validly transacted at meetings where less than a quorum is present.

ARTICLE V

Fees and Use of Assets

- 1. Members of the Section shall not be assessed dues. However, the Executive Committee may set a registration fee for annual meetings of the Section. Such a fee must be approved at a business meeting of the Section and shall apply to all annual meetings after approval until the Section approves a change in amount or elimination of the fee. Registration fees shall be used to help pay the expenses of conducting the business of the Section.
- 2. The assets of the Missouri Section shall be used exclusively to further the purposes of the Section. In the event of the dissolution of the Section, the remaining assets shall be turned over to the MAA to be used for purposes consistent with the bylaws of that organization.

ARTICLE VI

Committees

- The standing committees of the Section shall be the Teaching Award Selection Committee, the Missouri Collegiate Mathematics Competition Committee, the Program Committee and the Nominating Committee.
- 2. The Teaching Award Selection Committee is responsible for reviewing the nominations for the Missouri Section Award for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics, selecting the recipient, and reporting to the Secretary-Treasurer in a timely fashion.

The members of the Teaching Award Selection Committee are the three most recent recipients of the award. If such an individual is unwilling or unable to participate in the selection process during a given year, the Section Chair will appoint a section member to serve on the Committee for that year.

The Teaching Award Selection Committee shall be chaired by the longest-serving previous awardee who is actively serving on the Committee.

3. The Missouri Collegiate Mathematics Competition Committee is responsible for all aspects of the Competition, including writing and grading problems, establishing appropriate rules, setting entry fees, publicizing the Competition, and working with the host school to ensure that adequate facilities are available.

This committee shall be chaired by the Competition Coordinator. The Competition Coordinator shall be a member of the Missouri Section and shall be appointed by the Chair. The Competition Coordinator shall ordinarily serve until he/she retires from the position. However, he/she may be removed and replaced by the Executive Committee if the Executive Committee deems that this action is in the best interests of the Section.

The members of the Competition Committee shall be members of the Missouri Section. Members are appointed to the Committee by the Section Chair upon recommendation by the Competition Coordinator. The number of members is determined by the Competition Coordinator and shall be sufficient to accomplish the work of the Committee. Members shall Ordinarily serve until they retire from the Committee; however a member may be removed by the Executive Committee if the Competition Coordinator and the Executive Committee deem that this action is in the best interests of the Competition Committee.

4. The Program Committee is responsible for planning the major speakers at annual section meetings.

The members of the Program Committee are the Section Past-Chair, who chairs the committee, and the Section Vice-Chair.

5. The Nominating Committee is responsible for selecting a slate of officers for the positions open that year.

The Nominating Committee shall consist of three Section members. Each fall the Section Chair appoints the three members and designates a committee chair.

ARTICLE VII

Amendments

- 1. Amendments to these bylaws may be proposed by the Executive Committee or by a petition signed by 15 members of the Section.
- 2. Subject to subsequent approval by the Board of Governors of the Mathematical Association of America, these bylaws may be amended at a regular or special business meeting of the Section. Approval of an amendment requires a two-thirds vote.

- 3. The Executive Committee shall communicate to each member of the Section a copy of any proposed amendment(s) at least 20 days prior to the meeting at which voting on the proposed amendment(s) takes place.
- 4. A complete revision of these bylaws shall be subject to all of the same procedures required for other amendments to these bylaws.

--Approved by the Section--April 2, 2011

--Approved by the Board of Governors--August, 2011