

REVISION OF SECTION BY-LAWS

The Executive Committee offers the following amendments to the Section By-Laws. Approval of these changes by the section membership will be sought at the April 12 Business Meeting in Denver. Pending approval by the national Board of Governors, changes to the By-Laws will become official in 1998.

Item 1: Amend Article III (Officers) to change the term of office of chair from one year to two years.

Rationale: This would allow the Chairperson to act more effectively as a section officer. Please see the Fall 1996 newsletter for more information.

Proposal: Replace the present wording from part 4 that the "Chairperson-Elect is elected each Annual Meeting for a one-year term, following which a one-year term as Chairperson, and a one-year term as Past Chairperson are automatic." Modify present wording of part 5(c), Duties of the Chairperson-Elect, accordingly. (Presently, the Past Chairperson has no official duties.)

PROPOSED NEW WORDING:

Every two years, a Chairperson-Elect is elected at the Annual Meeting. This person holds that position for one year, followed automatically by a two-year term as Chairperson, then a one-year term as Past Chairperson.

The Chairperson-Elect or the Past Chairperson will assume the responsibilities of the Vice Chairperson if the Vice Chairperson is absent or incapacitated.

Item 2: Amend Article III (Officers) to allow for NCTM affiliate representation on the Executive Committee.

Rationale: This is a re-affirmation of a motion which was passed by the membership at the 1994 Section Meeting in order to encourage further cooperation and collaboration between the leadership and membership of the MAA and the NCTM affiliates within our region.

Proposal: Replace part 2 wording that states "the Executive Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Section and the Section Governor (ex-officio)".

PROPOSED NEW WORDING:

The Executive Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Section, the Section Governor (ex-officio), and one member of the NCTM affiliate from each of Wyoming, Colorado, and the part of South Dakota which lies in the section. These NCTM members are to be nominated by their respective state boards. At any meeting of the Executive Committee, only the member of the NCTM representing the state in which the section meeting is being held that academic year shall have a vote.

Item 3: Amend Article VI (Dues and Use of Assets) to allow for solicitation of voluntary section dues.

Rationale: Additional funds would allow the section to sponsor additional activities related to the section mission. The only current source of funds for the section are a small subvention from the National Organization. Revenue from meeting registration defrays meeting costs.

Proposal: Add a new item as follows:

PROPOSED WORDING:

The Section Secretary-Treasurer is authorized to solicit voluntary dues from members of the Section in an amount recommended by the Executive Committee and approved by the membership at a regular meeting of the section. Through coordination with the national organization and with the authorization of the Section Executive Committee, the section may periodically solicit contributions from other sources.