

Arkansas Academy of Science

Constitution of the Academy

BY-LAWS

1. These by-laws may be altered or amended in the same manner as the constitution.
2. The following standing committees shall be established: Auditing, Awards, Biota, Constitution, Development, Local Arrangements, Nominations, Publications, Publicity, Resolutions, and Science Education. *Ad hoc* committees may be appointed by the President. The Make-up, duties and duration of service for members of each standing committee shall be determined by the Executive Committee with members for vacancies being appointed by the President.
3. Whenever the number of papers to be presented in any field becomes sufficiently large, an additional section may be created at the discretion of the Local Arrangements Committee.
4. Persons presenting papers with the intent of having them published in the *Journal* shall present an original and two copies of the paper as well as a CD (or floppy disk) to the Chairman of the appropriate section or either of the *Journal*/Editors at the annual meeting. The Editorial Board shall be under no obligation to consider papers submitted after this date.

5. Members who shall allow their dues to remain unpaid for two years, having been annually notified of their arrearage by the Secretary, shall lose their status of membership.
6. Expenditures in excess of \$200 which have not been specifically authorized by the Academy at a prior annual business meeting require written approval by the President before payment can be made.
7. The fiscal year and the membership year shall begin January 1 and end December 31. A person joining the Academy during the year is entitled to membership privileges for the remainder of that fiscal year.
8. All officers elected at the annual meeting assume their duties at the end of the last business session of that meeting.
9. In the event an officer, except President, Past President, President-elect, and Vice President, is unable to complete a term, the Executive Committee shall appoint a successor to complete that term, or open a new five-year term with an election at the next general meeting.
10. Dues for all categories of members shall be set by the Executive Committee of the Academy and submitted to the membership for approval. Approval by the membership shall be by majority vote of those present. Any change of dues approved by the membership shall be effective January 1 of the year following that in which the change was approved.

11. The price of the *Journal* in sales to non-members of the Academy shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

12. The Academy shall sponsor such activities as it deems necessary to further its objectives. All Activities sponsored by the Academy shall be reviewed annually by the Executive Committee.

13. The Academy shall set aside \$1,000 or more as a reserve fund which may be withdrawn and used upon expressed consent of the Executive Committee.

14. Notwithstanding any provision of the Constitution or By-Laws which might be susceptible to a contrary construction,
 - a. The Academy shall be organized and operated exclusively for scientific and educational purposes;

 - b. with the exception of established awards, no part of the net earnings of the Academy shall or may under any circumstances inure to the benefit of any private individual;

 - c. no substantial part of the activities of the Academy shall consist in carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation;

- d. the Academy shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office;

- e. the Academy shall not:
 - 1. lend any part of its income or corpus, without receipt of adequate security and a reasonable rate of interest, to;
 - 2. pay any compensation in excess of a reasonable allowance for salaries or other compensation for personal services actually rendered to;
 - 3. make any part of its services available on a preferential basis to;
 - 4. make any purchase of securities or any other property for more than adequate consideration in money's worth from;
 - 5. sell any security or other property for less than adequate consideration in money's worth to;
 - 6. engage in any other transactions which result in substantial diversion of its income or corpus to any officer of the Executive Committee or substantial contributor to the Academy.

The prohibitions contained in this subsection (f) do not mean to imply that the Academy may make such loans, payments, sales or purchases to anyone else, unless such authority be given or implied by other provisions of the Constitution or By-Laws.

Upon dissolution of the Academy, the Executive Committee shall distribute the assets and accrued income to one or more organizations as determined by the Executive Committee, but which organizations shall meet the limitations prescribed in subsections (a through (f), inclusive, immediately preceding.

15. The Arkansas Academy of Science is the Parent organization of the Arkansas Junior Academy of Science. The appointment of the Director of the Arkansas Junior Academy of Science is made by the President of the Arkansas Academy of Science for a period of three years. The Director will operate with the advice of a Board of Regional Directors appointed by the President of the Arkansas Academy of Science. The Regional directors will serve at the pleasure of the President.