

AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY

Standard Bylaws & Rules for the REACTOR PHYSICS DIVISION

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<p>Article B1 – Name</p> <p>1.1 The official designation shall be the Reactor Physics Division of the American Nuclear Society, Incorporated, hereinafter referred to as the Division and Society, respectively.</p>	<p>R1 – Name</p> <p>1.1 The official name of the Reactor Physics Division of the American Nuclear Society may also be referred to herein as RPD.</p>
<p>Article B2 – Objectives</p> <p>2.1 The objectives of the Division shall be consistent with the objectives of the Society, as set forth in its Certificate of Incorporation and in Article B2 of its Bylaws and Rules, principally, the “advancement of science and engineering relating to the atomic nucleus and of allied sciences and arts”.</p> <p>2.2 The Division shall provide, through a group of members of any grades particularly interested in the Division’s area of nuclear science or technology, a means to promote the sciences and arts of that area, within the scope of the Society.</p> <p>2.3 The Division’s area of nuclear science or technology includes: the fundamental physical phenomena characterizing nuclear reactors and other nuclear systems; techniques, methodologies, codes, and tools for simulation, modeling and analysis of systems; and, techniques, methodologies, and/or tools for benchmarking, experimentation, and sensitivity and uncertainty analyses.</p> <p>2.4 To further its objectives, the Division shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. hold meetings, or conduct other activities, in accordance with the stated policy of the Society for the presentation and discussion of professional ideas relating to the Division’s area of nuclear science or technology; b. disseminate knowledge and information in the Division’s area of nuclear science or technology through discussions, public meetings, electronic media, academic presentations and other means of information exchange; c. encourage the formation of closer professional, and, as appropriate, personal relations among the members; d. cooperate with other scientific and professional groups having related objectives. 	<p>R2 – Objectives</p> <p>2.4 To further its objectives, the Division shall facilitate publication of papers, summaries of discussions, and other communications, as approved by the Executive Committee, in an appropriate and timely manner to address recent or ongoing issues.</p>

Article B3 – Obligations to the Society

- 3.1 The activities of the Division and its members shall be governed by the provisions of these Bylaws which shall be in accord with the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws and Rules of the Society. The Division shall be operated in accordance with the Certificate of Incorporation of the Society and their respective Bylaws, Rules, Procedures, and Policies.
- 3.2 In the event of a conflict, the Society’s Bylaws, Rules, Procedures, and Policies shall take precedence over the Bylaws and Rules of the Division.
- 3.3 The Division shall not have authority to act for or in the name of the Society. No action, obligation, or expression of the Division shall be considered an action, obligation, or expression of the Society as a whole. A statement to the effect that the Division assumes sole responsibility for the contents shall be imprinted on any publication regarding an action, obligation, or expression with respect to the Society, issued by the Division. The Division may use its website for this purpose.
- 3.4 The financial affairs of the Division shall be conducted in such manner that the Division shall be financially independent and shall not rely on support from Society funds above the limit authorized by the Board of Directors for each Division. The Division may meet its financial obligations in accordance with the provisions in Article B5.
- 3.5 The Division shall not represent any opinion or position in any matter technical or non-technical as being the official position of the Society or any of its subdivisions without prior approval of the Board of Directors.
- 3.6. The Secretary of the Division shall file with the Executive Director of the Society copies of the minutes the Division Executive Committee meetings in accordance with B7.4. The Treasurer of the Division shall file with the Executive Director of the Society a copy of the Division Annual Budget in accordance with B7.6.

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Article B4 – Membership

- 4.1 Members in good standing in the Society shall be eligible to become members of the Division.
- 4.2 Student members in good standing in the Society shall be eligible for membership in the Division. As such, they are eligible to vote on Division matters and may serve on the Executive Committee and as Officers in the Division except for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair.
- 4.3 Society members who desire to become members of the Division shall so indicate on the dues billing form issued annually to all Society members by the Executive Director. Society members desiring to join at other times may do so by notifying the Executive Director and paying the associated fee, if necessary.
- 4.4 Society members who desire to terminate their membership in the Division shall so indicate on the annual dues billing form. Society members desiring to resign at other times may do so by notifying the Executive Director. Upon resignation, the member's name shall be dropped from the Division roster and mailing list.
- 4.5 The names and addresses of all members initially comprising a Technical Group shall be furnished by its Executive Committee to the Executive Director of the Society. Initial Executive Committee membership of new Technical Groups is enumerated in Section B6.2.
- 4.6 At the discretion of the Executive Committee, the Division may enroll non-Society members as "Division Participants" for a non-renewable period of up to two years. Division Participants shall be "non-Society" members who qualify by submitting an application and paying a fee for an amount and via a path approved by the Executive Committee of any Professional Division voluntarily choosing to enroll them. Division Participants may be entitled: 1) to receive newsletters and notices of activities of the Division and 2) to participate as non-Society members in Division activities excluding voting and holding elective or appointed offices in the Division. Division Participants shall be encouraged to apply for Society membership.

R4 – Membership

- 4.2 Student Members of the Society shall be eligible for membership in the Division. Student Members have the right to vote on Division matters. Student Members who are senior undergraduates or graduate students are eligible to hold positions on the Executive Committee except for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair.
- 4.6 The RPD encourages the involvement of Division Participants. Division Participants need not meet the education and experience requirements that are established for accredited membership in the Society. Unless otherwise specified by the Society, a simple letter of request may suffice as an application for Division Participant status. The Executive Committee shall set dues and conditions of Participant status upon recommendation by the Membership Committee.

Article B5 – Dues, Assessments, and Contributions

- 5.1 The Division may collect dues from its members as provided in the Division Rules. The dues for membership in a Division shall be shown on the annual statement sent to each member of the Society by the Executive Director.
- 5.2 The Division may levy special and reasonable assessments to implement the sponsorship of special or topical meetings when authorized by affirmative vote of not fewer than two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at a regular or special meeting called in accordance with these Bylaws.
- 5.3 The Division may also accept non-compulsory financial contributions, but solicitation and acceptance of such contributions shall be subject to the written approval by the Board of Directors and the Executive Director.
- 5.4 The funds derived from these and from any other authorized sources shall be disbursed for the Division by the Executive Director of the Society in response to requests from the Treasurer and Chair and in accordance with the annual operating budget prepared by the Finance Committee of the Division and subject to the limitation stipulated in Article B3.4 of these Bylaws.

R5 – Dues, Assessments, and Contributions

Article B6 – Executive Committee

6.1 The Division shall be managed by an Executive Committee. This Committee shall constitute the governing body of the Division and shall have power to act for the Division in all matters, subject to these Bylaws and to the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws and Rules of the Society.

6.2 The Executive Committee of the Division shall consist of not fewer than six (6) members. The members elected at large shall have terms not exceeding four (4) years and the term designated for each shall commence at the close of the Annual meeting of the Society. The terms of the members shall be staggered so as to maintain effective continuity of experience in conducting the affairs of the Division and in performing the duties of the Executive Committee. The Chair of the Division most recently retired shall be an ex-officio member with voting privileges. The Chair of the Professional Divisions Committee of the Society shall be an ex-officio member without vote. The Chair of the Division shall be the Chair of the Executive Committee, and other Officers, as defined in Articles B7.2 through B7.6, shall also serve on the Executive Committee. A quorum shall be a majority of the voting members of the Executive Committee.

For a Technical Group, the initial Executive Committee shall be composed of not fewer than six (6) members elected by the petitioners. This committee shall be subject to approval by the Professional Divisions Committee and by the Board of Directors at the time of approval for organization. The initial Executive Committee of the Division shall be the Executive Committee of the predecessor Technical Group.

6.3 Any vacancy among the Officers or on the Executive Committee occurring during their terms shall be filled to complete the vacated term, as specified in the Division Rules, except that a vacancy in the office of Chair shall be filled by the Vice-Chair (the designated Chair-Elect if there

R6 – Executive Committee

6.1 The Executive Committee may empower Officers or members of the Executive Committee to act specifically on its behalf in certain matters.

6.2 Composition and Term of Office

- a. The Executive Committee of the Division shall consist of not more than twenty (20) members including the Officers, the elected at large members, and ex-officio members.
- b. Term of Office - The term of office for at large Executive Committee members, who are elected (including those elected as Student Members), shall be three (3) years.
- c. Student Executive Committee Member - Without limiting the actual number of Student Members permitted on the Executive Committee under Article B4.2 of the Bylaws, one position on the members at-large shall be specifically designated to be filled by a Student Member. The Student Member shall be a senior undergraduate or graduate student. Transition of the incumbent from Student Member to Member status shall not affect the Term of Office, but will prompt the designated position to be filled by a Student Member in the next regular election.
- d. Non-U.S. Executive Committee Member – One position on the members at-large shall be specifically designated to be filled by a non-U.S. member.

6.3 Filling of vacancies:

- a. A vacancy among the Officers or on the Executive Committee may be declared because of death, resignation, or removal in accordance with

is more than one Vice-Chair), who shall continue also to perform the duties of Vice-Chair until installed as Chair for the following year.

6.4 The Executive Committee may remove members missing more than two (2) consecutive meetings, unless appropriate reasons are provided for missing such meetings.

6.5 In order to provide for handling the affairs of the Professional Division, the Executive Committee shall prepare and adopt, in connection with these Bylaws, suitable Rules. Professional Division Rules, and proposed changes to them, must be reviewed for consistency with Society Bylaws and Rules by the Bylaws and Rules Committee of the Society. A copy of such Rules shall then be filed with the Executive Director of the Society. The procedure for amending the Rules shall be specified in the Rules.

6.6 The Executive Committee shall meet at least twice each year, once during the Annual Meeting and once during the Winter Meeting of the Society, or as appropriate. Other meetings (e.g. at Division-sponsored Topical Meetings) or teleconferences, email communications, and by other appropriate medium of the Executive Committee may be called at any time by the Chair, or at the request of any three or more members of the Committee.

Article B6.4.

b. Between elections, a vacancy shall be filled through appointment of an individual by the Chair, with an affirmative vote by two-thirds (2/3) of the Executive Committee members.

c. An individual appointed to fill a vacancy on the Executive Committee shall serve for the remainder of the original term.

6.4 Removal by Executive Committee:
An affirmative vote by two-thirds (2/3) of the Executive Committee members is required to remove, for non-attendance or other good cause, an Officer from office or an elected member from the Executive Committee.

Article B7 – Officers

7.1 The Officers of the Division shall be a Chair, at least one Vice-Chair, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The duties of the Secretary and Treasurer may be combined into a single office (i.e., Secretary-Treasurer). All Officers shall hold their offices for a one-year or two-year term or until their qualified successors are elected or appointed.

7.2 The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Division shall be ex officio members, with voting rights, of the Society's Professional Divisions Committee as specified in Society Rule 7.1.4.

R7 – Officers

7.1 The Officers of the Division shall be a Chair, a Vice-Chair, a Treasurer, and a Secretary. The Vice-Chair shall be designated Chair-Elect. The Treasurer, if a non-student member at the end of current term, shall become the Vice-Chair after the end of office term. If the Treasurer will be a student member and the Secretary a non-student member at the end of current term, the Secretary shall become Vice-Chair after the end of office term. If both the Treasurer and Secretary will be student members at the end of current term, one or more non-student members will be nominated for the Vice-Chair position at the time of regular elections. The Secretary shall become the Treasurer after the end of the office term. The Officers shall hold office for one year concurrently with the term of Officers of the Society or until their successors are elected or appointed. The officers shall review the RPD bylaws and rules prior to starting their new positions.

7.2 Duties of the Chair:

- a. The Chair shall have supervision over the affairs of the Division, subject to the direction of the Executive Committee, and shall be responsible for coordinating the work of the Division with the activities of the Society.
- b. The Chair shall be responsible for calling all meetings of the Executive Committee, shall preside over meetings of the Executive Committee and the Division, and shall have the power to perform other duties as may be provided in these Rules.
- c. The Chair shall be responsible for representing the Division at the

<p>7.3 The Vice-Chair (or one of them if there is more than one) at the time of election shall be designated Chair-Elect, and at the expiration of that term will automatically succeed to the office of Chair.</p> <p>7.4 The Secretary or Secretary-Treasurer shall record and file with the Executive Director within thirty (30) days after the meeting date(s) the minutes of the Division Executive Committee meetings. Separate teleconference meetings minutes may be recorded by the Division and do not have to be filed with the Executive Director as long as Division actions executed electronically are recorded in the minutes of face-to-face meetings.</p> <p>7.5 For Divisions that do not have a Treasurer, the Secretary-Treasurer shall also serve as a member of the Division's Finance committee, and shall be the responsible custodian of any special funds of the Division. The Secretary-Treasurer shall have the same duties as the Treasurer.</p>	<p>meetings of the Society Professional Divisions Committee and Society Board of Directors.</p> <p>d. At the end of the office term, the Chair shall meet with the incoming Vice-Chair and Chair to hand over any ongoing business and discuss lessons learned.</p> <p>7.3 Designated Chair-Elect and Vice-Chair:</p> <p>a. The Vice-Chair shall be the designated Chair-Elect and, at the expiration of that term, will automatically succeed to the office of Chair.</p> <p>b. The Vice-Chair shall assist the Chair in conducting the duties of the office.</p> <p>c. The Vice-Chair shall perform the duties of the Chair if the Chair is unable to serve.</p> <p>7.4 Secretary:</p> <p>a. The Secretary shall act as custodian of the Division Bylaws and Rules and shall keep records and minutes of the Division's activities.</p> <p>b. The Secretary shall provide notices to Division members and for publicity releases, and shall be responsible for obtaining a roster of Division members from the Executive Director.</p> <p>c. In the absence or incapacity of the Chair and the Vice-Chair, the Treasurer (if not a student member) shall be responsible for performing the duties of the Chair and the Secretary (if not a student member) shall be responsible for performing the duties of the Vice-Chair.</p> <p>7.5 Treasurer:</p> <p>a. The Treasurer shall review the financial statements provided by the Society's staff and shall monitor the financial health of the Division.</p> <p>b. The Treasurer shall prepare the Division's budget.</p> <p>c. The Treasurer shall advise the other Officers on issues of expenses and</p>
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revenue.

d. In the absence or incapacity of the Vice-Chair, the Treasurer (if not a student member) shall be responsible for performing the duties of the Vice-Chair.

e. In the absence or incapacity of the Chair and Vice-Chair, the Treasurer (if not a student member) shall be responsible for performing the duties of the Chair and the Secretary (if not a student member) shall be responsible for performing the duties of the Vice-Chair.

f. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse funds as authorized by the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall present a financial report at each Division meeting during term of office.

7.6 The Treasurer shall send the Division Annual Budget to the Executive Director after approval of the Executive Committee but before December 31.

Article B8 – Election and Eligibility

- 8.1 The members of the Division Executive committee and the Officers (except the Chair) shall be elected as specified in Article B6.2 and B7.1 of these Bylaws, respectively.
- 8.2 Executive Committee members can be Fellows, Members, Student Members, Emeritus or Honorary Life Members of the Society.
- 8.3 The Nominating Committee shall place in the hands of the Secretary or Secretary-Treasurer and Executive Director no later than the completion of the Winter Meeting (or seven [7] months before the Annual Meeting for Divisions that were unable to meet during the Winter Meeting) the names of candidates for the Executive Committee and for the Division Officers. The Executive Director shall prepare and forward to each member of the Division a ballot containing the nominations submitted by the Nominating Committee, and others made by petition of not fewer than ten (10) members of the Division, received in writing either by the Nominating Committee or by the Secretary or Secretary-Treasurer at least twenty-two (22) weeks before the Annual Meeting.
- 8.4 At least one candidate shall be named by the Nominating Committee for each Executive Committee membership expiring or vacated and for each elective office other than the office of Chair, which will be filled by the Vice-Chair. The ballot shall contain spaces for writing in additional candidates.
- 8.5 Ballots, in order to be counted, shall be completed as instructed and shall be validated by the Executive Director as having been received from a Division member in good standing. The Division shall be responsive to future electronic voting initiatives introduced by the Society, as appropriate.
- 8.6 Voting shall be by secret ballot under the general procedure stipulated for voting and for handling the ballots in the Bylaws and Rules of the Society. The Executive Director shall declare elected to each position the candidate receiving the most votes for that position. If a tie occurs, the Division shall resolve the tie by a vote of the

R8 – Election and Eligibility

- 8.4 There should be at least two nominees for the Secretary position.

members of the Executive Committee. The elected candidates shall be installed and their terms of office shall commence at the close of the Annual Meeting of the Society.

8.7 Members elected at large shall not be eligible for election to more than two consecutive terms on the Executive Committee, or more than two consecutive terms of office as Secretary, Treasurer, or Secretary-Treasurer. After one full term in office, the Chair shall automatically be succeeded by the Vice-Chair. Except as provided in these Bylaws, no member shall hold more than one office simultaneously.

8.8 No member shall be eligible for the office of Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect until having served on the Executive Committee in any capacity for at least one year except during the initial year of the Division or in the event the office of Chair is declared vacant.

8.9 The retiring Chair shall not be eligible for election as Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect for the term immediately succeeding the term as Chair.

Article B9 – Standing and Special Committees

9.1 A Division may establish Standing and Special Committees.

9.2 A simple majority of the members of the committee shall constitute a quorum at all committee meetings.

R9 – Standing and Special Committees

9.1 Standing and Special Committees:
a. As part of the strategic planning process for the Division, the Vice-Chair shall, prior to assuming the office of Chair, submit for approval by the Executive Committee a succession plan, including the appointment or reappointment of Committee members and Committee Chairs, that strives to achieve a balance between continuity of experience and new members.
b. The Division Chair may, at any time, appoint additional members to serve on a Standing or Special Committee.
c. With the approval (simple majority) of the Executive Committee, the Division Chair may remove the Committee Chair or any Executive Committee member from any Standing or Special Committee.

9.2 Division Standing Committees:
a. Program Committee – composed of not fewer than three (3) members, including the Program Chair and Program Chair-alternate. The Program Committee is responsible for organizing technical sessions of interest to Division members at National Meetings. For special sessions of contributed papers at national meetings, the Program Committee shall select session Chairs required for presiding at technical meetings of the Division and at its special sessions in National Meetings of the Society, who shall be members of the Division. The Program Committee shall, as needed, call on other members of the Division to serve as long-range planning coordinators for particular meetings or special sessions. The Program Committee Chair shall be

responsible for representing the Division at meetings of the Society National Program Committee. A Program Committee will have a Chair-alternate, who will take the Program Chair position after the Program Committee Chair leaves the position. The Program Chair and Chair-alternate shall serve in their positions for a minimum term of two years.

b. Outreach Committee - composed of not fewer than five (5) members, including the Division Vice Chair. The Division Vice-Chair is the Chair of the Outreach Committee. The Outreach Committee is responsible for:

- Bringing the advantages of Society and Division membership to the attention of qualified candidates and having a Division Liaison with the Society's Membership Committee; the Division Liaison with the Society's Membership Committee is the Division Chair.
- Publishing a semi-annual newsletter; the newsletter editor is the Division Secretary
- Maintaining the Division governance and knowledge exchange among Division members by the Division website with a dedicated webmaster
- Coordinating Division support and activities related to students and young members and having a Division Liaison with the Society's Young Members Group

c. Honors and Awards – Composed of not fewer than three (3) members, including the Honors and Awards Chair. The Honors and Awards Committee is responsible for stimulating the recognition of Division members, recommending to the Executive Committee new means of honoring

Division members, and for interacting with the Honors and Awards Committee of the Society.

d. Planning – Composed of not fewer than three (3) members including the Division Chair and Division Vice-Chair. The Division Vice-Chair is the Chair of the Planning Committee. The Planning Committee is responsible for annually developing a one-year tactical plan and a five-year strategic plan.

e. Scholarship - Composed of not fewer than three (3) members, including the Scholarship Committee Chair, for each scholarship category. The Scholarship Committee is responsible for reviewing applicants for the RPD Scholarships.

9.3 Division Special Committees: Special committees may be established from time-to-time by the Chair, subject to authorization by the Executive Committee. Special Committees shall be dissolved upon completion of the duties assigned to them.

a. Nominating Committee – composed of not fewer than three (3) members, including the Committee Chair. The immediate past Chair of the Division is the Chair of the Nominating committee. The Nominating Committee is

responsible for assembling a slate of candidates for elected offices that represents a broad cross-section of the segments or groups within the Division.

b. Bylaws & Rules – Composed of not fewer than three (3) members including the Bylaws & Rules Committee Chair.

The Bylaws & Rules Committee is responsible for interacting with the Society's Bylaws and Rules Committee with a Division Liaison and updating the Division Bylaws & Rules when required.

The Division Liaison interacting the Society's Bylaws and Rules Committee is the Division Secretary.

Article B10 – Meetings

10.1 Meetings of the Division shall be held as determined by the Executive Committee, at times and places it shall designate. If a business meeting is held, it shall be scheduled to coincide with the Annual Meeting of the Society and shall precede the annual reorganization of the Division Executive Committee. The Secretary or Secretary-Treasurer shall mail an advance notice of all intended meetings of the Division to the Executive Director of the Society not less than six (6) weeks before the date of that meeting. In addition, notices of all meetings will be sent to the members of the Division not less than six (6) weeks before the meeting. These meetings are open to all members in good standing in the Division.

10.2 A quorum for the transaction of business at all Division meetings shall consist of fifteen (15) qualified voters or twenty (20) percent of the qualified voters.

R10 – Meetings

10.1 There shall be not less than two meetings each year.

Article B11 – Amendments

11.1 Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by the Chair of any Division, the Professional Divisions Committee, the Society Bylaws and Rules Committee, or the Society Board of Directors. Amendments must be of a nature that they can be applied equitably to all Divisions, in keeping with the intent of the Standard Bylaws. Upon approval of a simple majority of the Society’s Executive Committee, the proposed amendment shall be forwarded to each Division for comment. Comments should be filed with the Professional Divisions Committee Chair no later than forty-five (45) days prior to the next ANS national meeting. Further detailed procedures for approval of amendments to the Standard Bylaws are in the ANS Rule R18.9.1.

11.2 The Professional Divisions Committee shall notify all Divisions of approved amendments to the Standard Bylaws. Each Division shall be responsible for reviewing approved amendments to determine if corresponding changes to the Division’s Rules are required.

R11 – Amendments

11.1

- a. Proposed changes to the standard bylaws, when forwarded to the Division for review and comment, will first be reviewed by the Division’s Bylaws and Rules Committee.
- b. Within thirty (30) days, the Division’s Bylaws and Rules Committee will distribute a summary of the proposed amendments along with any expected impacts on the Division rules.
- c. Comments filed by the Division on proposed Standard Bylaw amendments, which were forwarded to the Division, in accordance with B11.1, shall have received an affirmative vote by a simple majority of the Division Executive Committee.

11.2 Approved Amendments to the Standard Bylaws

- a. When notified of an approved amendment to the Standard Bylaws, the Secretary shall obtain an updated copy of the Division Bylaws from the National Bylaws and Rules Committee, and prepare (if necessary) reconciling changes in the Division Rules for review and approval by the Executive Committee.
- b. Division members shall be notified of the amended Bylaws by appropriate means, such as posting the amended Bylaws on the Division webpage or including a notice in the Division newsletter.

11.3 Amendments to Division Rules:

- a. Typically, rule changes will be initiated by the Bylaws and Rules Committee, but may be initiated by any member of the Executive Committee.
- b. Proposed rule changes, along with a

summary of why the change is being proposed and what the expected impact on Division operations will be, will be submitted to the Executive Committee Secretary not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the Executive Committee meeting where a vote on said change will be taken.

c. The Division Secretary will furnish each member of the Executive Committee with the proposed rule change and summary package not less than ten (10) days prior to the Executive Committee meeting where a vote on said rule change will be taken.

d. The rule change is approved by a simple majority vote in favor, requiring that a quorum is met.

e. Once approved by the Executive Committee, the rule change will be provided to the Society Bylaws and Rules Committee for review and endorsement.

f. Approved rule changes will be implemented in the Division rules within thirty (30) days of the Society Bylaws and Rules Committee's approval.

g. The Division Secretary shall notify the Division membership of the amended Rules in a printed or electronic newsletter.

Article B12 – Rules of Conduct

12.1 In all procedural matters not covered by the Bylaws and Rules of the Division, Robert’s Rules of Order, latest edition, shall be used as the authority for parliamentary procedures.

R12 – Rules of Conduct

12.1 Electronic Voting.

The Executive Committee, and other Division committees may conduct Division business using normal voting procedures at scheduled meetings or they may use electronic exchanges and voting. In order to properly transact committee business electronically, the following steps shall be followed.

- a. The Chair of the Division determines if an issue is to be considered and voted upon electronically.
- b. Documents or issues for comment and vote will be sent to the Division’s listserv (i.e., rpd@list.ans.org) with a request to review and comment.
- c. Deadlines for comment and voting periods will be provided by the Chair. Votes can be submitted during the comment period and must be received prior to the voting deadline. All members are required to reply to the listserv for all other members to review both comments and votes.
- d. Once the voting deadline has passed, the Chair will review the votes and inform Division members via listserv of the outcome of the vote. To be valid, all votes registered electronically shall have a quorum of Division members registering a vote. To pass, the vote must have a majority of the quorum of those registered.
- e. Between ANS national meetings, issues that have successfully passed through the electronic comment and voting process will be considered approved and activity may commence in accordance with the approved item.
- f. Each electronic vote will be recorded in the minutes of the next face-to-face meeting of the Division for historical record.

Article B13 – Dissolution

13.1 Any Division may be dissolved at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Society, after proper consultation with the Executive Committee of the Division and the Professional Divisions Committee.

13.2 The Division membership must approve dissolution by a 2/3 vote before a petition is submitted.

13.3 A Division considering dissolution should prepare and submit a petition to the Professional Divisions Committee that clearly states the reasons the Division cannot fulfill its obligations and mission. The PDC with the Division will forward the petition to the Board of Directors.

13.4 Assets of dissolved Division shall become the property of the American Nuclear Society.

13.5 Any Division that merges with another Division may do so at the discretion of the Board of Directors after receiving a request from the Professional Divisions Committee and the involved Divisions.

a.Assets of merged Divisions will be combined under the newly established Division

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