

This Section Rules of Procedure (hereinafter called "Rules") applies to the SIAM Section called "The Central Great Lakes Region of SIAM", hereinafter called "The Section".

The Section to which these Section Rules apply was established by the SIAM Board of Trustees at its meeting on May 21, 1988. This section shall operate within the bylaws of SIAM. It shall not affiliate with any other organization without first obtaining the written approval of the SIAM Board of Trustees or its designee. No provisions of these Section Rules shall be construed so as to contradict the SIAM Bylaws.

These Section Rules may be modified by the Board with due notice to the Section.

ARTICLE I PURPOSE

The objectives of The Section are:

- o To further the application of mathematics to industry and science.
- o To promote basic research in mathematics leading to new methods and techniques useful to industry and science.
- o To provide media for the exchange of information and ideas among mathematicians and other technical and scientific personnel.
- o To promote participation by industry in SIAM.

ARTICLE II ACTIVITIES

The activities of The Section will include promoting small meetings, conferences, and minicourses; promoting and encourage industry to provide summer jobs for students, locations for sabbaticals, and problems to work on; and to promote science and mathematics in elementary and secondary schools.

ARTICLE III
TERRITORY

The territory of this section is the Michigan Area and its surroundings.

ARTICLE IV
MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Any person engaged or interested in mathematics and its applications and who is a resident of the geographical area assigned to the Section shall be eligible for membership in the Section. Any person who does not live in the geographical area of the Section may join the Section and participate in its activities, except that that member will not be a voting member nor will that member be eligible for office in the Section. A candidate for nonresident membership shall be advised of these rules at the time of that member's application for membership. Section members will be designated as nonresident members if they reside outside the geographical area of the Section.

Section 2. Except as required by SIAM, The Section will have no membership grades.

Section 3. The members of the Section will receive a newsletter and become eligible for discounted registration fees for activities sponsored by The Section.

Section 4. Membership will be terminated upon resignation or when when dues become delinquent (as defined in Article XI).

ARTICLE V
OFFICERS

Section 1. The Section shall have a President, or co-Presidents, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. A member may be both the Secretary and Treasurer concurrently. Hereinafter, the term "the President" shall refer to either of the co-presidents, if applicable. Officers shall be regular members of SIAM in good standing and resident members of The Section.

Section 2. President of The Section shall preside at the meetings of The Section and the meetings of the Section Executive Committee, if any (see Article VI). In the absence of President, the Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President. In the absence of the latter, the secretary shall assume said duties.

Section 3. The Secretary shall keep a record of the affairs of the Section, handle correspondence, and submit an annual report of Section activities to the Secretary of SIAM, which report shall be suitable for publication in SIAM News or its equivalent.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall receive and take custody of Section funds, and shall submit an annual Treasurer's Report and other financial reports, as requested, to the Treasurer of SIAM. The Treasurer shall collect dues and maintain membership rolls. The annual Treasurer's Report shall be prepared as of December 31 and shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of SIAM by no later than January 15 of the year following.

Section 5. The terms of the officers shall be for 2 years. After the initial appointments, terms shall commence on January first of even numbered years, beginning with January 1, 1990.

ARTICLE VI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. The Executive Committee of The Section consists of the incumbent officers and the most recently retired president. A quorum shall consist of three members of the Executive Committee and shall be chaired in the order specified in Section 2 of Article III.

Section 2. The Executive Committee has the power to set meetings, appoint non-standing committees, disburse funds, develop programs, and promote the purposes of The Section.

ARTICLE VII OTHER COMMITTEES

Section 1. There shall be no standing committees initially appointed. Standing committees may be formed or terminated following the procedures of Article XII.

ARTICLE VIII
MEETINGS

Section 1. There will be at least one technical meeting per year. Topics, dates, and location shall be set by the executive committee as described in Article VI, but this will be done in conjunction with the membership.

ARTICLE IX
ELECTIONS

Section 1. Section elections shall be by mail ballot, or by secret ballot at the annual Section business meeting. The winners of the election shall be determined by the plurality of the votes cast for each office. Mail ballots must be submitted to the Section membership at least 60 days, and no more than 120 days, in advance of the date when the terms of office expire.

Section 2. A Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Executive Committee. Nominees must be eligible as stated in Article VI. The Nominating Committee shall present a state of candidates to the Executive Committee for approval. Upon approval, the Nominating Committee shall oversee the election.

ARTICLE X
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Section 1. The Section shall conduct an annual Section business meeting once per year each Fall. Other business meetings may be called by the President or the Treasurer on four weeks' notice.

ARTICLE XI
SECTION FUNDS

Section 1. The dues for membership in the section are \$5 for a calender year. Initial payment covers up through December 31, 1989. Dues will become delinquent (and membership temporarily suspended) by the end of September. Registration fees for meetings, if any, will be set by the Executive committee. See Article III, Section 4.

Section 2. Only members who's dues are currently paid up may vote in elections.

Section 3. The Section shall deposit all unused funds to which it has legal title in an insured savings account, unless the Section Treasurer obtains a written authorization from the SIAM Treasurer to deposit the funds elsewhere.

Section 4. The Section Treasurer shall maintain books of account that show income and expense items for all activities and balances for all accounts of the Section.

Section 5. Requests for funds in support of Section activities shall be made in writing to the Treasurer of SIAM who will forward it to the SIAM Committee on Section/Chapter Funds. Loans or grants to Sections may be made by the SIAM Treasurer acting on behalf of the Committee on Section/Chapter Funds. Only one such loan or grant may be made to any given Section during any fiscal year. Other requests for funds shall be substantiated by a proposed budget for expenditures and a current statement of accumulated revenue and expenses.

Section 6. No officer or member of The Section may apply for a grant to support Section activities or enter into any contract to support such activities or provide services, or have authority to contract debts for, pledge the credit of, or in any way bind SIAM, except to the extent that Section funds exist.

Section 7. All Society dues of Section members shall be payable to SIAM. However, Sections may levy Section dues, as specified in the Section Rules.

ARTICLE XII AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These Rules may be altered or amended with the approval of the SIAM Board of Trustees. Submission to the Board of proposed alterations or amendments shall be made only after approval by the majority vote of members of the Section present (or represented by proxy) at a scheduled meeting. Notice of proposed change shall be brought to the attention of The Section members by at least four weeks written notice.

ARTICLE XIII TERMINATION OF THE SECTION

Section 1. A section may terminate itself by the unanimous vote of the members of the Section present (or represented by proxy) at a scheduled meeting, provided that notice of the proposed termination and the meeting at which it is to be considered has been given to all Section members at least 30 days in advance and to the Board at least 90 days in advance.

Section 2. A Section may be terminated by the Board if there has been no Section activity for one year.