

# NEBRASKA SECTION CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE I. NAME AND OBJECTIVE

- Section 1.** The name of this organization shall be the Nebraska Section (the Section), American Society of Civil Engineers (the Society).
- Section 2.** The objective of the Nebraska Section shall be the advancement of the science and profession of engineering, in a manner consistent with the objective of the Society.

## ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1.** All members of the American Society of Civil Engineers of all grades, who subscribe to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Nebraska Section, and who have paid the current dues of the Section or who are exempt from dues (as described in Article III Section 3), shall be Subscribing Members of the Section. All other members of the American Society of Civil Engineers of all grades, whose addresses of record are within the boundaries of the Section, as defined by the Society, shall be Assigned Members of the Section.
- Section 2.** Only Subscribing Members shall have the right to vote, to hold office, to serve on committees, or to represent the Section officially.

## ARTICLE III. DUES

- Section 1.** There shall be no entrance fee.
- Section 2.** Annual dues shall be established by the Bylaws of the Section. Subscribing membership ceases for any member whose dues are more than three (3) months in arrears.
- Section 3.** Members exempt from payment of dues in the Society, such as Life Members, shall be exempt from payment of dues in the Section.

## ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS, GOVERNING BODY, AND ADVISORY BOARD

- Section 1.** The officers of this Section shall be a President, a Past President, a President-Elect, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Younger Member Chair, and two (2) elected Directors.
- Section 2.** The governing body of the Section shall consist of the officers.
- Section 3.** The Advisory Board shall consist of the following members: the chair or duly appointed representative of each subsidiary organization, committee chairs, and support function representatives.

## ARTICLE V. SECTION MEETINGS

- Section 1.** The Annual Section Meeting and Installment of Officers shall be held on such date and at such place as the Officers designate. Other Section meetings shall be held as stated in the bylaws; or called by the President upon the written request of at least ten subscribing members.
- Section 2.** Notice of call for a meeting shall be mailed or provided electronically to all Subscribing Members not less than one week in advance of the meeting date.

## ARTICLE VI. SUBSIDIARY ORGANIZATIONS

- Section 1.** Subsidiary organizations may be formed within Nebraska Section, to facilitate the carrying out of the objectives of the Section, to promote interest in the Society

and to provide to members of the Section a better opportunity for participation in local section activities, in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE VII. BYLAWS**

**Section 1.** The Section shall adopt Bylaws consistent with this Constitution for the guidance of officers and members.

#### **ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1.** This Constitution may be amended only by the following procedure:

- (a) A proposed amendment to this Constitution may be submitted to the Section Secretary in a written petition signed by not less than fifteen (15) Subscribing Members of the Section.
- (b) The Officers may initiate proposed amendment(s) to the constitution by a simple majority vote. Said amendment(s) shall be added to the constitution once voted and agreed upon by the membership as set forth in this article.
- (c) The proposed amendment shall be submitted to Society headquarters for review and approval by the appropriate Society committee before being voted on by the Subscribing Members of the Section.
- (d) Letter ballots containing the proposed amendments shall be sent to the Subscribing Members of the Section. Members shall be allowed twenty-five (25) calendar days to return the ballot.
- (e) To become effective, the proposed amendment shall receive an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the Subscribing Members voting, and the approval of the appropriate Society committee.

#### **ARTICLE IX. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

**Section 1.** No part of the net earnings of the Section shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual and no substantial part of the activities of the Section shall be carrying on propaganda. The Section 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.

**Section 2.** Upon dissolution of the Section the assets remaining after the payment of the debts of the Section shall be distributed to such corporation, community chest, fund, or foundation, organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, testing for public safety, literary or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals, which would then qualify under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended, as the Officers shall have designated and in the absence of such designation they shall be conveyed to the American Society of Civil Engineers.