

BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING SOCIETY OF INDIA

Rules and By-laws

Of

Biomedical Engineering Society of India (hereafter called 'the Society')

1. The Society shall be an all India, non-profit making professional learned body.
2. Candidates for membership shall be elected at a meeting of the Executive Council by a simple majority of the members present at the meeting.
3. Membership eligibility: Candidates for membership must have educational, research or significant practical experience in Biomedical Engineering or allied fields. They should genuinely be interested in advancing the cause of Biomedical Engineering.
4. Membership Categories: The Society shall consist of 1) Individual and 2) Institutional / Organizational members.
5. Any individual member - in good standing - is eligible to contest for various posts of office bearer, can ask with due notice the financial position of the society, is eligible-if in good standing-to vote.
6. Responsibilities of the members: To abide by the rules and regulations of the Society and to work sincerely to promote the increase of Biomedical Engineering knowledge and its utilization.
7. Cessation of membership: Membership of the Society will cease 1) by voluntary resignation as from a specified date 2) If the member has not paid his / her subscription for two years after it has become due and 3) If the Executive Council decided by two third majority to delete the name of a member for any proved unprofessional behavior or conduct and is confirmed in the next General Body Meeting.
8. Executive Council: The affairs of the Society shall consist of the following members which shall be administered by the Executive Council 1) One President 2) One Vice President 3) One Secretary 4) One Treasurer 5) Three Ordinary members 6) Immediate past President and 7) Immediate past Secretary.
9. Election of the Executive Council members will be done at the General Body Meeting or by postal ballot.
10. The members of the Executive Council shall function for a term of two years after which fresh elections are to be held. Till the next body resumes office, the existing body will continue to act.
11. Duties of the members of the Executive Council: The duties of Executive Council shall be to determine policies for the good of the Society in accordance with the Memorandum of Association, and to implement the execution of these policies as provided in these By-laws.
12. Election Rules: The Secretary shall notify the numbers of EC vacancies to be filled by in every nomination for or EC together with the consent of the candidate to content the election, duly proposed by a member and seconded by another member must be sent to the Secretary. After scrutinizing the nominations the secretary will circulate it to the members and if required the elections will be held by post. (i.e. when nominations received are more than number of vacancies). For conducting the elections the Secretary will appoint Officer-in-Charge who is not contesting election to carry out the election procedure and declare the results.
13. Meeting of the Executive Council: A quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the Executive Council shall not be less than three EC members. At any scheduled regular meeting of the EC if less than a quorum can be brought together, tentative action may be taken which will become effective on subsequent ratification either at a meeting or by mail ballot with a simple majority affirmation. The business of the EC may be carried out by post.
14. The General Body Meeting: The control and direction of the policy and affairs of the Society shall be vested in the GB, which shall comprise of all registered members. The principal function of the GB shall be to a) establish the policy of the Society, b) elect the members of the EC, c) receive and approve reports of the EC and make recommendations theirto d) amend the Memorandum of the Association and Rules and By-laws when required, e) an annual GBM of the Society shall be held where an audited statement of account by the Treasurer and an annual report by the Secretary are to be submitted, f) The Society in its GBM shall appoint an auditor who shall not be a member of the EC, to audit the income and expenditure and submit a report which shall be incorporated in the

- Treasurer's annual report as a statement of accounts, g) a notice of at least 15 days shall be necessary for a GBM.
15. The quorum for the GBM will require the presence of at least 25 per cent of the registered members of the Society. If a GBM could not be held for want of quorum, a special GBM may be called with due notice. No quorum will be necessary for such special meeting.
 16. Subscription: 1) for individual members: Annual subscription - Rs. 100/-, Life Membership - Rs. 1500/-, Registration fee - Rs. 20/-. 2) for institutional / organizational members: Annual membership - Rs. 100/-, Life membership - Rs. 15000/- , Registration fee - Rs. 50/-. These amounts are non-refundable. Donations for the society will be accepted if it is made for the purpose of meeting the objectives.
 - 16A) Functions and Duties of the Office bearers of the EC;
President: To preside over the GBM and ECM. To oversee and coordinate the working of the EC. To ensure that the provisions of the rules and regulations and the decisions of the EC are properly implemented.
Vice-President: To preside over the GBM and ECM in absence of the President. To oversee and co-ordinate the working of the EC. To ensure that the provisions of the rules and regulations and the decisions of the EC are properly implemented.
Secretary: To convene the EC meetings once in three months or/and as and when necessary. To convene the GB / Special GB/Extra ordinary GB Meeting and whenever necessary. To prepare minutes the meeting and present it at the next appropriate meeting. To maintain all the records regarding correspondence and produce to the respective bodies for their perusal.
Treasurer: To keep the accounts of the collections and disbursement of the funds of the Society. To look after the financial matters of the Society and collect funds. To open and operate joint account with the bank.
EC Members: To attend the meetings and assist the Secretary in general affairs of the Society. To transact the business even by post.. One of the members to preside over the appropriate meetings by mutual consent in absence of the President and Vice-President.
 17. The funds of the society shall be deposited in a bank account in the name of the Society and shall be operated jointly by the Treasurer and either the Secretary or the President of the Society.
 18. The year of the Society shall be from 1st January up to 31st December of the same year.
 19. List of Members: The List of the members of the Society will be maintained as required under rule 15 of the Societies Registration Rules(Maharashtra) 1971.
 20. Amendments: To alter, extend change in the rules, objects and name of the Association, the provisions of the Section 12 and 12A of the Societies Registration Act 1860 will be brought into effect.
 21. Dissolution: If the Association is to be dissolved the provisions of Section 13 and 14 of the Societies Registration Act, 1860 will be brought into effect.

Certificate

Certified that the above copy of the Rules and By-laws of the Biomedical Engineering Society of India is correct.

Sd/. R.K.Bharucha
Treasurer

Sd/- C.P.Gadgil
Secretary

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