The following articles constitute the governing documents of the Section. The Bylaws are derived from the Bylaws and Rules of the American Nuclear Society and thus can only be modified by authority of the national Board of Directors. The Rules are developed and maintained by the individual Student Section and can be modified using the procedure set forth within. In the event of a conflict between the Rules and the Bylaws, the Bylaws take precedence. Regulations on Section governance imposed by the host educational institution should be incorporated into the Rules as necessary.

Revised November 16, 2006
**Standard Bylaws for Student Sections**

**B1 – NAME**

1. The official name of this organization shall be the Georgia Institute of Technology Student Section of the AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY, Incorporated, hereinafter referred to as the Section and Society, respectively. The Georgia Institute of Technology is hereinafter referred to as the Host Institution.

**B2 - OBJECTIVES**

1. The objectives of the Section 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."

2. The Section shall undertake activities for the more active furtherance of the objectives within in the academic community. These activities shall be identified in Section Rules.

3. The Section is organized exclusively for educational and scientific purposes, including for these purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law).

**B3 - OBLIGATIONS TO THE SOCIETY**

1. The activities of the Section 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 Section shall conform to, and abide by, the rules and regulations of the Host Institution concerning the formation and operation of student organizations.

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**Georgia Institute of Technology Student Section Rules**

**R1 - NAME**

(No Rules associated with this Bylaw)

**R2 – OBJECTIVES**

1. Rules Governing Activities

   Activities undertaken by the section outside normal meeting times will be approved by the board of governors. In addition to being in accordance with requirements set forth in the bylaws, all activities must be in accordance with all rules governing student organizations set forth by the Georgia Institute of Technology.

2. Activities

   Possible activities to be undertaken by the society include, but are not limited to, visiting local high schools to talk about nuclear-related topics, facilitating the visitation of relevant academic guest lecturers and job recruiters, and organizing educational trips to nuclear-related facilities.

**R3 - OBLIGATIONS TO THE SOCIETY**

(No Rules associated with this Bylaw)
2. No action, obligation, or expression of a Section shall be considered an action, obligation, or expression of the Society as a whole. A statement to the effect that the Section assumes sole responsibility for the contents shall be imprinted on any publication regarding an action, obligation, or expression with respect to the Society.

3. The Section shall not have authority to act for or in the name of the Society without prior approval of the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, provided, however, that the Section on local matters may represent the official position of the Section upon the approval of the Section Board of Governors and after consultation with the Chair of the Society's Public Policy Committee or the Executive Director of the Society.

4. The affairs of the Section shall be conducted in such manner that the Section shall be financially independent and shall not rely on support from the funds of the Society.

5. At least once per year the Section shall file with the Executive Director of the Society a report of the activities and status of the Section, including an operating statement of income and expenses.

### B4 - TERRITORY AND MEMBERSHIP

1. Any graduate or undergraduate enrolled at the Host Institution in courses pertaining to the disciplines that compose, or relate to, nuclear science and engineering or allied professions shall be eligible for membership in the Section.

2. Non-student members of the Host Institution, who are members of the Society, may become members of the Section, but they shall be ineligible to vote or hold office.

### R4 - TERRITORY AND MEMBERSHIP

3. Non-Exclusion

   No person may be denied membership on the basis of race, gender, age, or physical condition.

4. Disciplinary Procedure

   a. Disciplinary proceedings against a member for reasons other than nonpayment of dues may be instituted by the filing with the President of a written complaint signed by at least three (3) members of the Section. The complaint shall be sufficiently clear and specific in the charges as to inform the accused member of the improper acts, conduct, or practices the member is alleged to have committed.

   b. The President shall send a copy of the
complaint to the accused member offering to hold an informal meeting with him/her to discuss the matter. If at the conclusion of this meeting the President finds that sufficient grounds exist, the President, or the Vice President acting under his/her instructions, shall refer the complaint to the Board of Governors for a hearing. The President or Vice President shall inform the accused member of the decision to refer the complaint to the Board of Governors.

c. The Board of Governors shall advise the President within thirty (30) days whether probable cause exists for the termination of membership. The accused may present his defense in person, or by representation, or may submit a written defense at, or prior to, the hearing, and shall be entitled to present no more than 2 witnesses in his/her defense. A majority of the members of the Board of Governors shall be required to be present at the hearing on the complaint.

d. If the charges of the complaint are proved, the Board of Governors may drop the accused member from Section membership by a vote of not fewer than three-fourths (3/4) of the Board members present and voting. In the event that a lesser penalty is judged appropriate, the Board of Governors may formally reprimand the accused member by a majority vote of those present and voting. Action by the Board of Directors shall be final and conclusive.

B5 - ASSESSMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

1. The Section shall have the right to levy special and reasonable assessments when authorized by affirmative vote of not fewer than two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at a regular meeting.

2. The Section may also accept local non-compulsory financial contributions, but solicitation and acceptance of such contributions shall be subject to the following conditions. (These conditions not required for Sections outside the USA.):

   a. Limited to solicitation for those activities

R5 - ASSESSMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

1. Dues

   The annual dues for Section membership shall be determined and established by the Section Board of Governors.
consistent with the objectives of the Society.

b. Notification be given to the President of the Society, in writing, of the intent and purpose of the solicitation; the President may disapprove of such solicitation within 30 days of notification.

3. No part of the net earnings of the Section shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, officers or other private persons, except that the Section shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this paragraph. No substantial part of the activities of the Section shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Section shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these bylaws, the Section shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

B6 - BOARD OF GOVERNORS

1. The Board of Governors shall be the governing body of the Section and shall have the power to act for the Section in all matters, subject to these Bylaws and to the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Society.

2. The Board of Governors shall include the elected Section Officers, the governors elected at large, and an Advisor who shall be a Fellow, Member, Emeritus or Honorary Life member of the Society. Selection of the Advisor by the Board of Governors shall be subject to the

R6 - BOARD OF GOVERNORS

1. Composition

a. Four Governors shall be elected at large.

b. The Advisor shall be a full-time member of the faculty or staff of the Host Institution.

2. Officers

a. The President shall have supervision over the affairs of the Section under the direction of the Board of Governors. The President shall preside
approval of the President of the Society and the Host Institution. The Advisor shall be a non-voting member of the Board of Governors and shall serve as a liaison between the Section and the Society.

3. The officers of the Section shall be a President, Vice-President, Communications Officer or Secretary, and a Treasurer. The duties of the Communications Officer and Treasurer may be combined into a single office.

4. In order to provide for handling the affairs of the Section, the Board of Governors shall prepare and adopt, in connection with these Bylaws, suitable Rules. Section 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.

5. The Section may enter into cooperative agreements with local scientific and engineering societies, or with local units of such national societies, not contrary to the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws and Rules of the Society.

6. The conduct of elections shall be specified in the Section Rules. The Rules shall also provide mechanisms for the filling of premature vacancies and for the removal of officers.

at meetings and shall have the power to perform other duties as may be provided in these Rules or may be delegated to the office by the Board of Governors. The President shall be an ex officio member of all committees of the Section.

b. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the President's absence or when the President is unable to serve, and such other duties as may be delegated to the office by the Board of Governors or these Rules.

c. The Communications Officer shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Section and shall have such other duties as may be assigned by the Board of Governors or these Rules. The Communications Officer shall act as custodian of the Society Bylaws and Rules and of the Section Bylaws and Rules. In the absence of the President and Vice President, the Communications Officer shall preside at the meetings of the Section.

d. The Treasurer shall collect and disburse funds as authorized by the Board of Governors. The Treasurer shall deposit the funds of the Section in a repository approved by the Board of Governors, shall handle the financial accounting, shall present a financial report at Section meetings while in office, and shall submit the books of account to be audited when leaving office. The Treasurer shall also have such other duties as may be assigned the office by the Board of Governors. In the absence of the other officers, the Treasurer shall preside at meetings of the Section.

3. Elections and Eligibility

a. The Section officers (except the President) and at-large members of the Board of Governors shall be elected by and from the Section membership. The officers shall serve for one (1) year or until their successors are elected or appointed.

b. The officers and Governors of the Section shall be elected by secret ballot at or before the last regular meeting of the academic year. The terms of office shall commence on at the end of this meeting.
### B7 - MEETINGS

1. The Section shall hold no fewer than four (4) meetings each year, one of which shall be the annual meeting.

### R7 - MEETINGS

1. **Call**

Meetings of the Board of Governors may be called at any time by the President, or at the request of any two (2) members of the Board of Governors.
2. Agenda

The order of business at regular meetings of the Section shall be set by the President of the Section.

3. Quorum

A quorum for the transaction of business at Section meetings shall consist of not fewer than fifteen (15) qualified voters, or twenty percent (20%) of the membership, whichever is less.

### B8 - COMMITTEES

1. Standing and Special Committees of the Section shall be appointed by the President subject to the approval by the Board of Governors. Standing committees shall be appointed to serve a term concurrent with the Officers of the Section.

### R8 - COMMITTEES

1. Special Committees

   a. Special committees may be established from time to time by the President subject to the authorization of the Board of Governors and shall be dissolved upon completion of the duties assigned to them.

   b. Quorum

   A majority of the committee membership shall constitute a quorum at all committee meetings.
### B9 - RULES OF ORDER

1. Rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, current edition, shall be used in the conduct of meetings of the Section and shall be the authority on parliamentary procedures except as may otherwise be required by the laws of incorporation of the Society and the Bylaws and Rules of the Section and the Society.

### R9 - RULES OF ORDER

1. Amendments to the Rules
   
   a. Amendments to these Rules may be proposed at any regular meeting of the Section. Proposed amendments must be endorsed by 2/3 vote of the Board of Governors and submitted to the Society Bylaws and Rules Committee for Review.

   b. The Society Bylaws and Rules Committee shall check for consistency with Society Bylaws. If found consistent, a letter shall be filed with the Section Secretary declaring concurrence.

   c. The proposed amendment, as endorsed by the Bylaws and Rules Committee, shall then be presented to the members of the Section for a vote. Section approval of a proposed amendment shall require the affirmative votes of no fewer than two-thirds (2/3) of the members voting and the total vote shall not be less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the total voting membership of the Section.

   d. The proposed amendment shall become effective following Section approval and the Section Communications Officer's filing of a copy of the amended Rules with the Executive Director of the Society.

   e. The Section Communications Officer shall be responsible for notifying members of amendments to the Rules as soon as possible after adoption.

### B10 – AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to these Standard Bylaws may be proposed by any Student Section, the Student Sections 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 Student Sections, in keeping with the intent of the Standard Bylaws.

   All proposed amendments shall be forwarded to each Student Section for comment. Comments should be filed with the Student Sections Committee Chair no later than forty-five (45) days prior to the next ANS national meeting. Further detailed procedures for

### B10 – AMENDMENTS

(No Rules associated with this Bylaw)
approval of amendments to the Standards Bylaws are in the ANS Rule R19.4.1.

2. The Student Sections Committee shall notify all Student Sections of approved amendments to the Standard Bylaws. Each Student Section shall be responsible for reviewing approved amendments to determine if corresponding changes to the Student Section’s Rules are required.

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