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Operations Research Society of America

TRANSPORTATION SCIENCE SECTION BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I—NAME

This organization shall be named the **TRANSPORTATION SCIENCE SECTION** of the **OPERATIONS RESEARCH SOCIETY OF AMERICA**.

ARTICLE II—OBJECT

The object of the Section shall be the advancement of the science of operations research in transportation through exchange of information and the encouragement and development of students of operations research.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

All members of the **OPERATIONS RESEARCH SOCIETY OF AMERICA** may qualify for membership in the **TRANSPORTATION SCIENCE SECTION** by signifying their intent to join to the officers of the Section. All members must be members of the **ORSA**. All members have the same rights and privileges.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS AND COUNCIL

The **CHAIRMAN** shall be the chief administrative officer of the Section, performing all duties required by the Section.

The **VICE-CHAIRMAN** shall be the Chairman Elect. He shall serve a one-year term as the assistant administrative officer of the Section, and shall act as Chairman in the absence of the Chairman. He shall then serve as Chairman for the next one-year term.

The **SECRETARY** shall conduct correspondence with members and others, prepare the minutes and records of the Section, receive applications and encourage inquiries concerning membership, maintain contact with the parent Society, and perform other duties usual to the office of an organization secretary.

The **TREASURER** shall receive all funds made available to the Section, and deposit same in a bank approved by the Officers, and supervise disbursements of funds. He shall prepare reports of the financial condition of the Section and submit a financial report to the members at the Business Meetings.

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The Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer shall constitute the Officers of the Section and (a) call and organize meetings, (b) decide upon the acceptability of papers, reports and discussions to be presented at the meetings, (c) establish and appoint such committees as may be required, and (d) manage the affairs of the Section in the intervals between meetings.

The COUNCIL of the Section shall consist of the Officers, the two past Chairmen most recently retired from office and six Councilmen.

ARTICLE V—ELECTION AND TENURE OF OFFICERS AND COUNCIL

The Officers of the Section shall be elected by letter ballot. Before the Spring meeting of the Section the Officers will appoint a Nominating Committee composed of three members. At the Spring meeting, this committee will submit to the Secretary their nominations. In addition, nominations may be made by a petition signed by six members. These petitions must reach the Secretary within one month of the Spring meeting. The Secretary will mail official ballots to the members to be returned on or before August 1st. The Officers will appoint tellers to count the ballots and a majority of the ballots cast according to the rules will be necessary for election.

The Officers and Councilmen shall take office on September 1. Officers shall serve for one year and Councilmen for three years from this date, except that for the year 1971–72, two Councilmen shall be elected to one-year terms and two other Councilmen to two-year terms.

No officer except the Secretary or Treasurer shall be eligible for election to the same office for two consecutive terms.

ARTICLE VI—RESPONSIBILITY TO ORSA

The Transportation Science Section and its Officers are accountable to the parent Society for all of its actions. It may be dissolved at the discretion of the Council of ORSA. A financial statement will be submitted to the Council of ORSA once a year. In case of dissolution, the unused funds are to be forwarded to the Society.

Amendments to and the approval of the BY-LAWS must be made by two-thirds of those members in the Section who cast ballots in the election and approved by the Council of ORSA.

ARTICLE VII—MEETINGS

Meetings of the Section will be held at least twice a year at a time and place to be determined by the Officers.

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Special meetings of the Section may be called at such times and in such manners as determined by the Officers.

The rules contained in *Robert's Rules of Order* shall govern Business Meetings held during any regular or special meeting, in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE VIII—DUES

No dues shall be assessed, unless it be decided to do so by a majority vote of the members subject to the consent of the ORSA Council.

ARTICLE IX—PUBLICATIONS

Each member in good standing shall be entitled to receive one copy of the current notices of the Section. The Council of the Section shall review the need for the publication of papers and monographs in the field of transportation sciences, and shall be empowered to arrange for such publications with the approval of the Council of the Society.

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