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Academy of Natural Sciences.

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REVISED CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

The Constitution as amended February, 1880.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This association shall be known as The Minnesota Academy of Natural Sciences.

ART. II.—OBJECT.

It shall be the object of the Academy to observe and investigate natural phenomena; to make collections of specimens illustrating the various departments of science; to name, classify and preserve the same; also to discuss such questions as shall come within the province of the Academy.

ART. III.—PLACE OF MEETING.

The place of meeting of the Academy, and the location of its cabinet, shall be in the city of Minneapolis.

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ART. IV.—OFFICERS.

The officers of the Academy shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and a Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot by a majority of the members present.

ART. V.—TRUSTEES.

There shall be a Board of Trustees, which shall consist of six members and the President of the Academy—two of whom shall be elected annually.

ART. VI.—ELECTION.

The election of officers and trustees shall take place on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of January in each year.

ART. VII.—FEES.

All persons residing in the cities of Minneapolis or St. Paul, elected members of the Academy, shall pay an initiation fee of five dollars; and all persons residing elsewhere in the State such an initiation fee as the Academy may determine.

BY-LAWS.

As revised and adopted February, 1880.

ARTICLE I.—MEETINGS.

SEC. 1. The annual meeting of the Academy shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of January in each year.

The regular monthly meetings of the Academy shall be on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of each month. Five members shall constitute a *quorum*.

SEC. 2. The meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be quarterly, on the days following the corresponding monthly meetings of the Academy; *Provided*, that the President shall have power, at his discretion, to postpone any quarterly meeting except the first in each year, and to call special meetings at the request of three members of the Board.

SEC. 3. The President, at the written request of five members, may call a special meeting of the Academy, but no business shall be transacted at such special meetings, except that for which they were called.

ART. II.—SECTIONS OF THE MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 1. The entire membership shall be divided into sections corresponding to the branches of Science, each section being in charge of a chairman appointed by the President, subject to confirmation by the Board of Trustees. Each section shall consist of the chairman and as many members as desire to work in it. The chairman shall divide his section into as many sub-sections as will best subserve the objects of the section.

SEC. 2. The sections shall cover the following sciences:

ANTHROPOLOGY.
ASTRONOMY.
BIOLOGY.
BOTANY.
CHEMISTRY.
GEOLOGY.
INVERTEBRATE ZOOLOGY.
MINERALOGY.
MICROSCOPY.
MECHANICAL PHILOSOPHY.
PHYSICS.
VERTEBRATE ZOOLOGY.

SEC. 3. There shall be a Committee on Finance and one on the Museum and Library, to consist of three members each.

ART. III.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Academy, and at each annual meeting the retiring President shall deliver an address before the Academy on such subject, covered by the scope of its investigations, as he may select—such address to be preserved in the records of the Academy.

SEC. 2. The Vice President shall preside at all meetings of the Academy in the absence of the President.

SEC. 3. The Secretary shall keep correct and accurate minutes of the proceedings of the Academy; receive all moneys, and pay them over to the Treasurer and take his receipt for the same; and enter in the proceedings of the Academy the name of each person paying money to him, the purpose for which the same is paid, and the amount paid, and make out in writing and submit to the Academy a correct and accurate statement, in detail, of his official account with the Academy, which statement shall be submitted at the annual meeting; he shall deliver all books and papers in his possession having any reference to the proceedings of the Academy, to his successor in office.

SEC. 4. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Academy.

SEC. 5. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys from the hand of the Secretary, and give his receipt for the same, and shall pay them out on the order of the President, countersigned by the Secretary; and for the faithful performance of his duties, he shall, every year, before entering upon the duties of his office, give a bond for such amount as the Board of Trustees shall determine, such bond to be signed by himself and two sureties; and shall, also, prepare an accurate statement, in detail, of his accounts, and submit the same to the Academy at its annual meeting; and shall deliver all books, papers and vouchers in his possession, having any reference to the financial condition of the Academy, to his successor in office.

SEC. 6. The Curator of the Museum shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees. He shall be one of the Committee on Museum, and shall have the custody of the collections belonging to the Academy; shall receive, label and arrange the specimens that may be added to it from time to time, and present annually a report, stating the number and kind of additions to the Museum, and their source. He may, also, present a memoir on any department illustrated by the collections.

ART. IV.—DUTIES OF COMMITTEES.

SEC. 4. The chairmen of the sections shall have charge of the departments to which they are appointed, and shall prosecute such investigations as they may see fit, any member offering to the Academy at its regular meetings such remarks, written or oral, as he may think of interest. They shall also collect and preserve for the Museum, specimens illustrating their several branches.

SEC. 2. The Financial Committee shall audit the accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer at the end of each year, and all other accounts referred to them by the Board of Trustees, or by vote of the Academy.

ART. V.—DUTIES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SEC. 1. The Trustees shall hold in trust all property, real and personal, belonging to the Academy, or which may hereafter be acquired by purchase, gift, or otherwise, except as otherwise directed by the Academy.

SEC. 2. They shall cause to be published such transactions of the Academy as they may see fit.

SEC. 3. They shall secure the delivery of public lectures when, in their opinion, it may be expedient.

SEC. 4. They shall appoint and remove at pleasure, all agents and employees of the Academy, prescribe their compensation and fix their duties.

SEC. 5. They shall fill all vacancies in the Board; and members thus elected shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the Academy.

ART. VI.—WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS.

All memoirs and written communications made to the Academy at its regular meetings, by any of its members, shall be preserved in the records of the Academy.

ART. VII.—MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 1. Any person resident in the State may be elected to active membership by a vote by ballot of two-thirds of all the members present at any regular meeting, after the payment of the required initiation fee and on being recommended in writing by three members, and may participate in the meetings, and shall enjoy the privileges of such membership only upon signing the constitution.

SEC. 2. Persons non-resident in the cities of Minneapolis or St. Paul may be elected active members on the payment of an initiation fee of one dollar.

SEC. 3. Any member six months in arrears for dues, shall become a suspended member, *provided*, the Secretary shall have given two months' notice by mail or otherwise; and such member shall remain suspended until all dues are paid.

ART. VIII.—ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The Order of Business at the regular meetings of the Academy shall be as follows:

1. Reading the minutes of former meeting.
2. Communications.
3. Reports of Committees.
4. Miscellaneous Business.

ART. IX.—AMENDMENTS.

These By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Academy on one month's notice in writing. Such amendment must be unitedly proposed by three members.

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