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Southeastern Atlantic Section Rules for Procedure for the
Society for Industrial & Applied Mathematics
April 1978

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General

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Membership and Dues

Members of the Society whose dues are not in arrears and who reside within the territory of this Section may become members of the Southeast Atlantic Section (hereinafter referred to as the Section). Members of the Society who reside outside the SEAS territory are also eligible for membership. Dues of \$2 per member per year are payable to the Secretary-Treasurer.

Officers and Duties

Officers of the Section shall be chosen from the membership of the Section. The elective officers of the Section shall consist of a President and a Secretary-Treasurer. These officers shall hold office for the year beginning January 1 except for the present officers who will serve from the date of the first meeting (April 22, 1977) to December 31, 1978. These officers shall have general supervision of and be responsible for the general affairs of the Section. The President shall appoint all appointive officers as well as the chairmen of any special committees. The President shall represent the Section in all matters involving the parent society and the public. He shall preside at meetings of the Section and prepare the annual report required by the parent society.

The Secretary-Treasurer shall send out notices of meetings of the Section to all members of the Section as well as other notices as directed by the parent society and the president. He shall keep a role of the active members and maintain minutes of the meetings. The Secretary-Treasurer will be custodian of all Section funds and collect Section dues. He will coordinate his activities with corresponding officers of the parent society as prescribed in the SIAM By-laws.

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Nominations for offices shall be made by a nominating committee consisting of the retiring President, immediate past President, and two other members named at large by the President. A group of five members of the Section may name a candidate for office by petition submitted to the President on or before September 1st. Provisions shall be made on the ballot for write-in candidates. Election shall be by plurality vote for each office. The ballot shall be by mail during September. A vacancy in the office of President between regular elections shall be filled by accession of the Secretary-Treasurer; all other vacancies shall be filled by presidential appointment.

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The Section shall hold at least one general meeting per year and a concurrent business meeting at which members of the Section can make recommendations and officers can report on Section business. The President shall call meetings. Issues at business meetings of the Section shall be decided by simple majority of those present as long as this latter number is equal to or exceeds twenty percent of the Section membership. Notices shall be mailed to Section members at least two weeks in advance of any open meeting.

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These rules may be amended in one of three ways: (1) by a two thirds majority of those Section members returning a mail ballot; (2) by a majority of those Section members returning two separate mail ballots, separated by at least six and less than eighteen months; or (3) by two-thirds of those present at a business meeting of the Section as long as the total number present represents at least thirty percent of the membership of the Section. Amendment proposals may be placed on the agenda of a business meeting or submitted for a mail ballot by the officers or on receiving a petition from at least twenty percent of the Section membership. After approval, amendments are subject to ratification by the Board of Trustees of the parent organization. A statement of views of the officers may be included in any mail ballot. Any such relevant statement signed by at least five percent of the Section membership must be included with the ballot.

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