CONSTITUTION OF THE INSTITUTE OF MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS

ARTICLE 1

PURPOSE

The Institute of Mathematical Statistics is a society for encouraging the development, dissemination, and application of mathematical statistics.

ARTICLE 2

MEMBERS

The Institute shall have Members and Institutional Members. Applications for membership must be approved by the Council. The Council may delegate this authority.

Except for nonpayment of dues, no Member or Institutional Member shall be expelled or suspended except by three-fourths vote of the Council.

ARTICLE 3

OFFICERS

The Officers of the Institute shall be the President, the President-Elect, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Editor. The terms of office of the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Editor shall be three years. The terms of office of the President and the President-Elect shall be one year. The President-Elect shall succeed the President in that office. If the President is incapacitated, the President-Elect shall act as President, or, in case the President-Elect is also incapacitated the Secretary shall so act. Incapacity shall be determined by the Council.

The President shall act as chairman of the Council and of the Executive Committee, and shall appoint the Committees and representatives of the Institute, with the exception of the Committee on Fellows and the Executive Committee. Such Committee appointments shall be for terms of not more than three years, provided that committee appointments extending beyond the current year shall be either to standing committees with regularly rotating membership, or to temporary committees assigned specific tasks.

The Treasurer shall present financial statements to the Council and shall bring condensed statements to the attention of the Members.

The Secretary shall record the actions of the Council and of the Executive Committee and of Institute meetings, arrange for and inform the Members of meetings and conduct the correspondence of the Institute except as otherwise assigned by the Executive Committee. The Secretary may appoint Assistant Secretaries to assist him in connection with specified meetings or for other occasions. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined.

ARTICLE 4

Council

The Council shall consist of not less than twelve elected members in addition to the Officers of the Institute except that vacancies in the Council occurring subsequent to an election shall not be filled until the next annual election.

Elected members shall be elected for terms of three years, the terms of approximately one-third of them terminating each year.

The Council, representing the Members, shall determine the policies and supervise the affairs of the Institute in accordance with any Bylaws the Institute may adopt. It shall determine the standing committees of the Institute and the number of elected members of the Council.

The Council shall elect the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Editor, by majority vote. The Council shall determine the number, if any, of Associate Secretaries, Associate Treasurers and Associate Editors. The Secretary shall nominate Associate Secretaries, the Treasurer shall nominate Associate Treasurers, and the Editor shall nominate Associate Editors which the Council may elect by majority vote. Such Associate Secretaries, Treasurers, and Editors shall be non-voting members of the Council.

The Council shall meet at least twice a year, usually at times of meetings of the Institute, and otherwise at the call of the President or the call of any five members of the Council. Any voting member unable to be present may appoint, in writing, a representative to speak for him, and such representative shall be entitled to vote. A quorum shall be seven persons entitled to vote. Majorities and other fractions of the Council are to be based on the number of persons present and entitled to vote.

ARTICLE 5

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Officers shall constitute the Executive Committee of the Council, and shall conduct the affairs of the Institute.

The Executive Committee may create temporary committees with assigned tasks coming within the scope of the Institute.

ARTICLE 6

Nominations

The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee and shall announce their names at the annual meeting when he retires from office. This Committee shall submit to the Members, through the Secretary and at least sixty days before the closing of polls at the next succeeding annual meeting, one nomination for President-Elect and a slate containing at least twice as many names as there are vacancies on the Council.

Additional nominations may be made for President-Elect or for the Council by a petition signed by twenty Members. Such nominations shall appear on

the ballot if they are in the hands of the Secretary at least 30 days before the closing of polls at the next succeeding annual meeting. In any event, Members may vote for names in addition to those nominated.

ARTICLE 7

FELLOWS

The Council, may, by majority vote, elect to fellowship any Member nominated by the Committee on Fellows. Such nomination and election shall be on the basis of the nominee's contributions to the development, dissemination, and application of mathematical statistics.

ARTICLE 8

COMMITTEE ON FELLOWS

The Council shall elect two Fellows annually to serve for three years on the Committee on Fellows. One of the Members whose term is next to expire shall be designated by the President as chairman.

ARTICLE 9

Publications

The Annals of Mathematical Statistics shall be the official journal of the Institute. Other publications may be authorized by the Council.

The publications of the Institute shall be supervised by the Editor, with the assistance of the Associate Editors and such committees as the Council may approve.

ARTICLE 10

COMMUNICATIONS

Public announcements concerning the Institute, including statements of policy, recommendations, reports of committees and accounts of Council meetings shall be issued by the Secretary or the President with the prior approval of the Council or its Executive Committee. Advance publicity concerning meetings may be released by authorized Program Committees or Publicity Committees.

ARTICLE 11

AFFILIATION

By a three-fourths vote, the Council may authorize the affiliation of the Institute with any organization whose aims are consistent with those of the Institute.

ARTICLE 12

AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended by an affirmative two-thirds vote of those Members voting at any regularly convened meeting of the Institute provided notice of such proposed amendment shall have been sent to each Member by the Secretary at least thirty days before the date of the meeting at which the proposal is to be acted upon. Members may vote in person or by mail. The Secretary shall send to the Members any amendments recommended by the Executive Committee or proposed through a petition of 25 members of the Institute.

ARTICLE 13

EMERGENCIES

In an emergency, as determined by the President or the Executive Committee, or by a majority of the Council, a meeting of the Council to transact business or a meeting of the Institute to amend the constitution may be conducted by mail.

BY-LAWS OF THE INSTITUTE OF MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS

ARTICLE 1

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The President, or in his absence the President-Elect, or in his absence a Member appointed by the Executive Committee, shall preside at business meetings of the Institute.

The Treasurer shall send out calls for annual dues, pay all bills for expenditures authorized by the Institute, Council, or Executive Committee; keep a detailed account of all receipts and expenditures; prepare a financial statement at the end of each fiscal year and present an abstract of same at a business meeting of the Institute after it has been audited by a Member or Members appointed by the President, to whom such Member or Members shall report.

The Secretary shall, subject to the direction of the Council, have charge of the archives and other tangible and intangible property of the Institute and shall, upon the direction of the Council, publish a classified list of all Members of the Institute, and of Institutional Members at their request.

The Editor, subject to the direction of the Council, shall have charge of all editorial matters, whether relating to the official Journal or to other publications. He shall, with the advice and consent of the Council, appoint an Editorial Committee of not less than twelve Members to cooperate with him for definite terms. All appointments to the Editorial Committee shall terminate with the appointment of a new Editor.

ARTICLE 2

Dues

Members shall pay seven dollars at the time of admission to membership and shall receive the full current volume of the official Journal. Thereafter Members shall pay seven dollars annual dues, of which five dollars shall be for a subscription to the Official Journal. There shall be the following exceptions: