ARTICLE I: Name and Purpose

- 1. The name of this Section shall be the Indiana Section of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA).
- 2. The purposes of the Indiana Section shall be to advance the mission of the MAA on a regional level (namely within the territory defined in Article II below); to offer guidance to the MAA as it forms and fulfills its mission; to provide professional development and networking activities for those with an interest in mathematics including Section members, mathematics students, and members of the larger mathematics community; to promote discussion and action on issues affecting mathematics teaching, learning, and research in the region; and to pursue initiatives that advance the core values of the MAA–Community, Inclusivity, Communication, Teaching & Learning–in pursuit of our vision of a society that values the power and beauty of mathematics and fully realizes its potential to promote human flourishing.

ARTICLE II: Membership

1. The membership of the Indiana Section shall be members of the Mathematical Association of America whose MAA mailing addresses are in the state of Indiana, postal codes 46000 through 47999. Exceptions may be made by the MAA Secretary upon request of the affected member.

ARTICLE III: Avoiding Implicit Bias

1. The Indiana Section of the Mathematical Association of America shall make every effort to avoid implicit bias and to reflect the diversity of the section. The Section shall ensure its committee members, officers, invited speakers, awardees, and other leaders represent the various geographic regions, types of institutions, and diverse membership within the section. It shall strive for balanced representation with regard to gender as well as underrepresented groups, and shall seek out nominations for any positions or awards to help achieve that balance. Section committees and members may consult the most recent version of the document Guidelines for MAA Selection Committees: Avoiding Implicit Bias for guidance.

ARTICLE IV: Officers

- 1. The officers of this Section shall be a Chair, a Vice-Chair, a Treasurer, and a Secretary.
- 2. This Section shall have an Executive Board of which the regular members shall be the officers of the Section, the immediate Past Chair, the Section Representative to the MAA Congress, the Student Activities Coordinator, the Public Information Coordinator, and the Outreach Coordinator.
- 3. Each member of the Executive Board must be a member of the MAA and of this Section.
- 4. The officers of this Section shall be elected at its annual business meeting. The terms of office of the Chair and the Vice-Chair shall be one year. The Vice-Chair shall be considered the Chair-elect. The Treasurer and Secretary shall each serve a three-year term, which may be extended for a second three-year term by the Section at its annual business meeting. Elections for Secretary shall be in years of the form 3k and elections for Treasurer shall be in years of the form 3k + 2. Terms of office shall begin on May 1.

- 5. Candidates for Section officers shall be nominated by a committee appointed for this purpose by the Chair, with provision for further nominations from the general membership until the time of the election.
- 6. The Student Activities Coordinator, the Public Information Coordinator, and the Outreach Coordinator shall be appointed by the Section Chair to serve three-year terms. Terms of office shall begin on May 1.
- 7. The duties of the Section officers shall be as follows:
 - (a) The Chair shall
 - i. preside at meetings of the Section and meetings of the Executive Board, and have general charge to conduct affairs of the Section,
 - ii. create and, in consultation with the Executive Board, appoint committees of the Section and be an ex officio member of each such committee unless specifically barred by vote of the membership at a business meeting,
 - iii. be responsible with the Vice-Chair for the planning of programs of Section meetings or, in consultation with the Executive Board, appointing a Program Chair or Program Committee to do so,
 - iv. devote time to the larger issues of the section and the development or enhancement of programs to better serve section members,
 - v. delegate tasks and authority, subject to Executive Board review, to encourage increased member involvement and to provide sufficient time to carry out all duties, and
 - vi. update the section handbook and hand it on to the Chair-elect.
 - (b) The Vice-Chair shall
 - i. assist the Chair in execution of the affairs of the Section and perform the duties of the Chair in that officer's absence, and
 - ii. be responsible with the Chair for the planning of programs of Section meetings
 - (c) The Treasurer shall
 - i. be custodian of the financial records of the Section,
 - ii. collect contributions from the members and from the MAA,
 - iii. keep the funds of the Section, pay bills, and maintain careful records of income and expenses,
 - iv. report on the state of the treasury at the annual business meeting,
 - v. be empowered to spend Section funds on behalf of the Section membership
 - vi. report to the Executive Board on the income and expenses of designated section activities, and
 - vii. submit annual financial reports to the MAA as requested.
 - (d) The Secretary shall
 - i. keep minutes of business meetings of the Section and meetings of the Executive Board,
 - ii. be custodian of the non-financial records of the Section,
 - iii. notify members of all meetings of the Section,
 - iv. conduct the official correspondence of the Section, and
 - v. submit regular reports to the MAA as requested.
- 8. The duties of other members of the Executive Board shall be as follows:
 - (a) The Past Chair shall

- i. devote time to the larger issues of the Section and the development or enhancement of programs to better serve Section members.
- (b) The Public Information Coordinator shall
 - i. provide open and easily accessible methods for members and the general public to know about the goals and activities of the section.
- (c) The Student Activities Coordinator shall
 - i. coordinate section activities that involve students at any level.
- (d) The Outreach Coordinator shall
 - i. promote section events and programs to Indiana colleges, universities, and high schools.
- 9. The Executive Board shall conduct the affairs of the Section between meetings of the Section. A quorum for an Executive Board meeting shall consist of not fewer than 5 members of the Executive Board including at least 2 officers and no business may be validly transacted at meetings where less than a quorum is present.
- 10. Meetings of the Executive Board are open to all Section members.
- 11. In case of a vacancy in a position, other than Section Representative to the MAA Congress, on the Executive Board, that Board shall appoint a replacement to serve until the next opportunity for an appointment by the Chair or the next meeting at which an election by the membership is held, whichever action is appropriate.

ARTICLE V: Meetings

- 1. The Section shall hold an annual meeting each spring. Additional meetings (including a fall meeting) may be scheduled either by the Executive Board or upon petition by 25 members of the Section.
- 2. The program of meetings shall be planned by the Chair and Vice-Chair or an appointed Program Chair or Program Committee.
- 3. An individual jointly designated by the host institution and the Chair shall make the logistical arrangements in consultation with the Chair.
- 4. Each member of the Section shall be notified at least 20 days in advance of any program or business meeting of the Section.
- 5. A quorum for a business meeting shall consist of not fewer than 14 members of the Section and no business may be validly transacted at meetings where less than a quorum is present.

ARTICLE VI: Fees and Use of Assets

- 1. Registration fees shall be charged of all non-student attendees of the meetings of the Section in amounts set by the Executive Board.
- 2. The Section Treasurer is authorized to solicit voluntary contributions from members of the Section. Through coordination with the MAA and with the authorization of the Section Executive Board, the Section may periodically solicit contributions from other sources.

3. The assets of this Section shall be used exclusively to further the purposes of the Section. In the event of the dissolution of the Section the remaining assets will be turned over to the MAA to be used for purposes consistent with the Bylaws of that organization.

ARTICLE VII: Committees

- 1. The Nominating Committee consists of three members appointed by the Chair, in consultation with the Executive Board, for rotating three-year terms. The Nominating Committee shall provide nominations for Section officers and Section Representative to the MAA Congress. The Nominating Committee shall provide recommendations to the Chair for the unelected board and committee positions. In the event of a tie in an election of an officer at an annual business meeting, the Nominating Committee shall resolve the tie.
- 2. The Distinguished Service Award Committee evaluates nominations for the Section's Distinguished Service Award. The committee consists of three members appointed by the Chair, in consultation with the Executive Board, for rotating three-year terms, as well as the section's Past Chair and the previous year's award recipient.
- 3. The Distinguished Teaching Award Committee evaluates nominations for the Section's Distinguished Teaching Award. The committee consists of three members appointed by the Chair, in consultation with the Executive Board, for rotating three-year terms, as well as the section's Past Chair and the previous year's award recipient.
- 4. The Section NExT Committee consists of the Section NExT Chair, Section NExT Vice Chair, Section NExT Secretary, and Section NExT Treasurer. These officers are elected to two-year terms by the members of Indiana Section NExT (a voluntary subset of the Section). Section NExT has its own bylaws and operates without necessary appointments or intervention from the Executive Board. However, the Section NExT Chair is invited to participate in Executive Board meetings to coordinate the activities of Section NExT with the larger activities of the Section.
- 5. Other committee and auxiliary positions (committees of one) may be created and filled by the Executive Board or the Chair.

ARTICLE VIII: Amendments to Bylaws

- 1. Amendments to the bylaws may be proposed by the Executive Board. General members may suggest proposed changes to the Executive Board.
- 2. Subject to subsequent approval by the Board of Directors of the Mathematical Association of America, these bylaws may be amended by 2/3 of the votes cast by a quorum at a business meeting of the Section.
- 3. The Secretary of the section shall notify each member of the section of any proposed amendment(s) at least 20 days prior to the meeting at which voting on the proposed amendment(s) takes place.
- 4. A complete revision of these bylaws shall be subject to all of the same procedures required for other amendments to these bylaws.

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