## **ASM BYLAWS**

## **ARTICLE I. Name**

The name of the Society shall be the American Society for Microbiology (ASM), referred to as the Society.

## **ARTICLE II. Purpose** The Society's

of Directors is to set the strategic direction and uphold objectives of the Society, and direct fiduciary, legal, and business decisions.

**Section 2. Composition.** The Society's affairs shall be conducted by a Board consisting of a President, President-Elect, Past President, Treasurer, Secretary and 8 at-large Directors. The CEO is an *ex officio* non-voting member. All voting members of the Board shall be entitled to

**Section 5. Meetings.** The Board shall meet at least

The Board shall appoint and compensate a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of ASM. The Executive Committee shall review the CEO's performance on an annual basis and set

other financial matters.

**Section 4. IDEAA Committee.** The Inclusive Diversity with Equity, Access and Accountability (IDEAA) Committee shall guide the Society's efforts in diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI). The committee makes recommendations on the optimal structure for DEI activities and helps coordinate activities across the Society to ensure the highest level of commitment to IDEAA.

Section 5. Nominating and Appointments Committee. The Nominating and Appointments Committee shall be responsible for putting forth a slate of candidates for election to the Board and recommending to the Board members for appointment to ASM committees, boards, councils, working groups, and other entities necessary to conduct the Society's business, except as otherwise specified in the Bylaws. All Nominating and Appointments Committee members shall be appointed by the Board to a two-year term and may not serve more than two terms. To the extent possible, terms should be staggered. The Past President shall serve as Chair of the committee. No member of the committee may seek elected office during the period of their service on the Nominating and Appointments Committee.

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