

**MICHIGAN RADIOLOGICAL SOCIETY**  
**A Chapter of the American College of Radiology**

**ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be the Michigan Radiological Society hereinafter referred to as the "Chapter."

**ARTICLE II - PURPOSE**

The purposes of the Chapter shall be those of the American College of Radiology, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "College": advancing the science of radiology, improving radiologic services to patients and the medical community, and studying the economics of radiology; the encouragement of improved and continuing education for radiologists; and the establishment and maintenance of high medical and ethical standards in the practice of radiology.

**ARTICLE III - AFFILIATION**

The Chapter will be an affiliate of the American College of Radiology. The Code of Ethics of the American College of Radiology, as published in the College's most recent bylaws, is hereby adopted as the ethics of the Chapter.

**ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP**

**Section 1**

There shall be six classes of members in the Chapter: (1) Members, (2) Associate Members, (3) Members in Training, (4) Retired or Inactive Members, (5) Allied Health members, and (6) Affiliate members. All members in each membership classification must be members of the American College of Radiology.

1. *Active Membership.* An active member shall:
  - a. be a physician certified in radiology or one of its recognized branches by the American Board of Radiology (ABR), the American Osteopathic Board of Radiology, the American Board of Nuclear Medicine (ABNM), the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or the College des medecins du Quebec (CMQ); or other certification board recognized by the American College of Radiology;
  - b. be a medical physicist who is certified or considered the equivalent of certified by the ABR;
  - c. be of high professional reputation;
  - d. have the right to be appointed to committees and to hold office in the Chapter.
2. *Associate Members.* An associate member shall:
  - a. be a physician who is engaged in the practice of radiology including nuclear medicine, who has completed an approved residency program in radiology, and who meets all the requirements of active membership except the certification requirement (1) (a) of this Section 1;
  - b. be a medical physicist who is engaged in the practice of medical physics and is otherwise eligible for membership in the College but who is not certified or considered the equivalent of certified by the ABR
  - c. not have right to hold office in the Chapter;
  - d. have the right to be appointed to committees.
3. *Members in Training (MIT).* A member in training (MIT) shall:

- a. be physicians who are in radiology residencies approved by ACGME or fellowships, medical students registered in a formal educational program at a Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) or American Osteopathic Association (AOA) approved medical school, and medical physicists who are registered in a formal educational program in medical physics;
- b. not have the right to vote or hold office in the Chapter;
- c. not be required to pay dues;
- d. have the right to be appointed to committees, and
- e. no longer maintain MIT status six (6) months following completion of the period of training except in the following circumstance. Those individuals who go directly from an approved residency to a fellowship program or from a medical educational program to an approved radiology residency program may continue as MIT until completion of the fellowship program. Within six (6) months after completion of training, the MIT will automatically be considered for transition to membership in the appropriate class unless he or she declines membership.

Dues for these members shall be assessed in accordance with Article XI.

4. *Retired members*

- a. Retired members shall be those active members, associate members, and affiliate members who have fully retired from active practice.
- b. can hold office in the Chapter only during the first six years following the date of retirement.
- c. shall have the right to vote or to hold committee appointment;
- d. shall not be required to pay dues.

5. *Allied Health Member*

- a. Allied Health Member is a Physician not engaged in the practice of radiology, non-physician medical professional such as an MRI scientist, health physicist, and radiologist assistant, whose special qualifications are deemed valuable to the College and who are approved for membership by the Commission on Membership and Communications and Chapter Programs. Radiologist assistants must be certified by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) as a Registered Radiologist Assistant.
- b. shall have the right to be appointed to committees and task forces;
- c. shall not have the right to hold office in the chapter.

6. *Affiliate Member.* An affiliate member shall:

- a. be a member in of above membership categories who maintains active membership in another chapter that is not in the state where their principal practice is conducted, but chooses to have membership in this state Chapter;
- b. pay dues to both chapters;



- c. have the right to vote;
- d. have the right to be appointed to committees; and
- e. have the right to hold office in the Chapter.

### **Section 2**

Application for any of the classes of membership established in Section 1 of this article shall be by completion of an application form with the American College of Radiology. Application for all classes shall include an agreement to abide by the bylaws of the Chapter including the Code of Ethics of the American College of Radiology.

If an applicant is refused membership and requests a hearing on the denial of the application, the hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures outlined in Article IV, Section 6, of these bylaws, including a possible report on the action to the National Practitioner Data Bank if the membership denial is based on reasons relating to professional competence or conduct that affects patient health or welfare.

### **Section 3**

The Chapter adopts the centralized membership system of the College whereby:

1. The American College of Radiology sends both the ACR and Chapter applications to the prospective member.
2. The prospective new member sends the application for the ACR and Chapter membership to the ACR office with the necessary supporting data to fulfill the Chapter requirements.
3. If objection to the application is received, the application will be remanded to the Chapter Secretary for further processing.

### **Section 4**

Any member of the Chapter may resign by submitting a letter of resignation to the Chapter Secretary.

### **Section 5**

1. The Board of Trustees may censure, suspend, or expel any member of the Chapter for violation of its rules, regulations, or principles, in accordance with the procedures outlined below.
2. Disciplinary questions related to such violations shall be initially referred, in writing, to the President of the Chapter. The President of the Chapter shall establish a Judiciary Committee, which shall investigate the merits of the charges. Based on the findings of this investigation, the Judiciary Committee shall recommend to the President either that disciplinary action be taken or that no such action be taken. If the Judiciary Committee decides that disciplinary action should be taken, its recommendation shall be submitted to the President in writing.
3. If disciplinary action is recommended by the Judiciary Committee, the member shall be notified in writing that a professional review action may be taken against them and the reasons for the proposed action. The member shall be informed that they have the right to request a hearing on the proposed action at any time within 60 calendar days. The member shall be provided with a written summary of their rights during the hearing. A member who does not request a hearing within the 60-day period waives the right to such a hearing and shall be deemed to have accepted the recommendation of the committee. The committee's report shall then be forwarded to the Chapter's Board of Trustees for ratification, in accordance with Section 9 of this Article. If



the disciplinary action is based on professional conduct or competence that affects or could affect patient health or welfare, the final decision of the Chapter shall be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank within 15 days. A failure to request a hearing after a complaint has been filed and found to be meritorious will also result in loss of membership in the Chapter.

4. If the member requests a hearing on a timely basis, the President of the Chapter must give him or her written notice of the time, place, and date of the hearing. The hearing shall take place no earlier than 30 calendar days after the date notice has been sent. Postponements and extensions of the hearing date may be granted by the hearing officers on a showing of good cause. The notice of the hearing shall include the names of witnesses expected to testify.
5. The hearing shall be held before an arbitrator mutually acceptable to the member and the Chapter, a hearing officer appointed by the Chapter who is not in direct economic competition with the member involved, or a panel of three active members of the Chapter appointed by its Board of Trustees who are not in direct economic competition with the member involved. The right to a hearing may be forfeited if the member fails to appear without good cause, and the member shall be deemed to have accepted the disciplinary action involved. If the right is forfeited without good cause, membership in the Chapter may be terminated, and a report on the action may be forwarded to the National Practitioner Data Bank.
6. During the hearing, the member has the right to be represented by an attorney or other person of their choice; the right to have a record made of the proceedings, copies of which may be obtained by the member on payment of any reasonable charges associated with its preparation; the right to call, examine, and cross-examine witnesses; the right to present evidence determined to be relevant by the arbitrator, hearing officer, or panel, regardless of its admissibility in a court of law; and the right to submit a written statement at the close of the hearing.
7. Evidence at the hearing should be presented first by the Chapter Board of Trustees and then by the member. The Board of Trustees may then introduce evidence to rebut the member's evidence but may not introduce evidence or issues not previously raised either by the committee or by the member. The complainant shall be entitled to attend the hearing and may be required to testify. Judicial rules of evidence and procedure relating to the conduct of the hearing, the examination of witnesses, and the presentation of evidence shall not apply to a hearing conducted under the terms of these bylaws. The Board of Trustees shall bear the burden of persuading the hearing officers or panel by a preponderance of the evidence that the action or recommendation is reasonable and warranted.
8. At the end of the hearing, the member has a right to receive the written recommendation of the arbitrator, hearing officer, or panel, including the basis for recommendation. They also have the right to receive the written decision of the Chapter, including the basis for the decision.
9. Ratification of disciplinary action against any member of the Chapter shall require the affirmative vote of no fewer than three-fourths of the membership of the Board of Trustees present at the meeting when the action is taken. On ratification by the Board of Trustees, the disciplinary action shall be effective and be promptly reported to the Judiciary Committee of the American College of Radiology by the Secretary of the Chapter. Members against whom disciplinary actions are taken by the Chapter may appeal the decision to the Judiciary Committee of the ACR.
10. If no appeal is made within 30 days, a letter containing the final decision shall be prepared by the arbitrator, officer, or panel, with a copy going to the member who is the subject of the disciplinary action. A waiver of the right to appeal shall be deemed to mean that the member has accepted the decision of the Chapter. If the disciplinary action is based on professional conduct or competence that affects or could affect patient health or welfare, the final decision of the Chapter shall be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank within 15 days.
11. Before the ACR's Judiciary Committee hears an appeal, it shall notify, by registered or certified mail, the member in question no fewer than 30 calendar days before its meeting that the member may then appear in



person or be represented by an attorney or other person of their choice to present any arguments that the member believes will show that the disciplinary action should be reversed. If the member fails to appear or send their representative to the appeal hearing, then a final report of the Chapter's decision shall be sent to the member and forwarded to the state medical board of licensing authority within 15 days in accordance with the regulations of the National Practitioner Data Bank.

12. If a majority of the ACR Judiciary Committee determines that the disciplinary action taken by the Chapter against one of its members is supported by the evidence and is the result of fair procedures that are consistent with the bylaws of the ACR and of the Chapter, the Judiciary Committee shall affirm the disciplinary action. If a majority of the Judiciary Committee reverses the disciplinary action, the matter may be remanded in whole or in part for further proceedings or may be completely or partially dismissed.
13. The Chapter's Board of Trustees and the ACR's Judiciary Committee shall comply with all procedures for reporting adverse professional review actions based on professional conduct or competence that effects or could affect patient health or welfare to the National Data Bank.

## **ARTICLE V - OFFICERS**

### **Section 1**

The officers of the Chapter shall be the President, the President-elect, the Vice President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer. These officers, as well as the two immediate past presidents, will form the Executive Committee. The purpose of this committee is to serve as an advisory committee to the board and general membership and to provide a longer succession to the presidency.

### **Section 2**

Officers and members-at-large of the Board of Trustees shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the Chapter from nominations of the Nominating Committee. The slate of officers nominated shall take into account the orderly succession of positions as outlined in Section 3. The term of office for each officer position shall be one year. The number of members-at-large will be determined by the number of members in the society; 1 member-at-large for every 100 members. Nominations will also be received from the floor if the Secretary has been given written notice signed by not less than ten Active members ten days in advance of the annual meeting. The nominee for each office designated in Section 1 who received a plurality of the votes cast, shall be declared elected and assume office at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting of the American College of Radiology.

### **Section 3**

The succession of officers of the Chapter shall take place as follows. Upon induction of the new Treasurer the President shall succeed as the immediate past president, the President-elect shall succeed as the President, the Vice-President shall succeed the President-Elect, the Secretary shall succeed as the Vice President, and the Treasurer shall succeed as the Secretary. Each subsequent year, the positions will change such that upon becoming President, an individual will have served previously as President-elect, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

In the event of the resignation of the other officers, the Board of Directors shall fill such vacancy on an interim basis as soon as practicable, such person to serve in such capacity until the next regularly scheduled election of officers

## **ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

### **Section 1**



The Board of Trustees shall be composed of the President, the President-Elect, the Vice President, Immediate Past President, Secretary, Treasurer, Councilors, Alternate Councilors and Members-at-Large. The Board shall act for the Chapter between regular meetings of the Chapter and shall perform such duties as specified elsewhere in these bylaws. Board members shall attend at least 50% of meetings per term to retain their board appointment. A number of members-at-large, equal to one per 100 members, will be elected by the membership, such number to include at least two radiation oncologists, if possible. In addition, the resident-section president and/or vice-president will be entitled to membership on the Board and its committees, as appropriate.

### **Section 2**

The Board of Trustees shall have charge, control and management of the business, property, affairs and funds of the Chapter and shall have the power and authority to do and perform all acts and functions permitted of an organization described in Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or comparable provisions of subsequent legislation) not inconsistent with these bylaws and with the Articles of Incorporation, or with the laws of the State of Michigan.

### **Section 3**

No member of the Board of Trustees shall be entitled to any compensation for their services as a trustee. Provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prevent the Board from providing reasonable compensation to a Trustee for services which are beyond the scope of their duties as a Trustee, from reimbursing any Trustee for expenses actually and necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties as a Trustee, or from entering into a contract directly or indirectly with a trustee for the provision of goods or services to the Chapter, if such contract is in the best interest of the Chapter and on fair and reasonable terms.

## **ARTICLE VII - DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**

### **Section 1**

The President shall be the presiding officer of the Chapter and act as Chair of the Board of Trustees. The president shall perform all the duties that custom and parliamentary practice associate with the office of the President. The president shall be a member ex-officio of all committees except the Nominating Committee.

### **Section 2**

In the absence of the President, or in their inability to act, the order of succession to the duties of the office shall be as follows: 1) President-elect, 2) Vice President, 3) Immediate past president, 4) Secretary, 5) Treasurer, 6) senior-most councilor.

### **Section 3**

The Vice President of the MRS will be responsible to oversee the Chapter Recognition Program. Specific tasks include logging activities in all three-chapter recognition categories and assuring that they are entered with the ACR for recognition (points) toward awards.

The Vice President shall annually review the ACR Chapter Recognition information and model the MRS program to comply. Communication with committee chairs and the Board of Trustees is essential to recognizing all the activities, which qualify for recognition. Monthly summary of the activities and cumulative points to date in each category are to be reported to the Board.

Additionally, the Vice President shall substitute for any officer who cannot attend a meeting or is otherwise unable to fulfill his/her duties. This excludes the President, for whom the President-Elect assumes this responsibility.

### **Section 4**



The Secretary shall record and preserve the minutes of meetings of the Chapter and of the Board of Trustees and shall forward promptly to the American College of Radiology a copy of the minutes of each meeting of the Chapter. The secretary shall notify all members of the Chapter of their appointments and shall keep a record of the membership of the Chapter. The secretary shall notify all members as to the time and place of meetings and of any special business to be brought before the Chapter.

#### **Section 5**

The Treasurer shall receive all monies due the Chapter and shall disburse such monies. The treasurer shall make a report of the funds of the Chapter at each meeting.

#### **Section 6**

The President and President-elect shall each serve a term of one year, or until their successors are elected and qualified. The Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer will serve one-year terms. Each subsequent year, the positions will change such that upon becoming President, an individual will have served previously as President-elect, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

#### **Section 7**

Vacancies occurring in any office shall be filled by appointment by the Board of Trustees.

#### **Section 8**

The President shall appoint such committees as are necessary for the proper functioning of the Chapter in addition to the following standing committees. Each standing committee shall present a written report at the annual meeting. Members of committees shall be appointed by the President for a renewable one-year term and are subject to removal by a vote of the majority of the members of the Board of Trustees.

Committees and task forces (excluding those that are standing committees) may be altered or eliminated at any time by the Board of Trustees. Committees that have no function or activity in a five-year period will automatically sunset.

1. *Membership Committee*

Recruitment activities shall be conducted by this committee. This committee will be composed of Secretaries of the Chapter and the Resident and Fellow Section as well as others as appointed by the President.

2. *Program Committee*

This committee will prepare programs for Chapter meetings, socioeconomic workshops for residents, and efforts in continuing education. The chair of this committee will serve as the CME liaison for the American College of Radiology. The President-elect or his designee will chair this committee.

3. *Strategic Planning Committee*

This committee shall prepare a three-year activity plan for the Chapter and annually update this plan to coordinate it with the goals and objectives of the Chapter and the College. Membership shall consist of the Chapter President, President-elect, Immediate Past President, the Resident Section President and at least two other Trustees.

4. *Economics Committee*



This committee shall be charged with active representation of Radiology and Radiation Oncology to organizations and agencies responsible for remuneration (third party payers, etc.), and creating policy for reimbursement guidelines and payments. It shall operate in accordance with the principles and policies of the American College of Radiology. Membership shall include the MRS Treasurer, immediate Past-President, the Vice-President or President Elect, and two additional members from the Board of Trustees. Up to four other interested members not currently serving on the board are also needed. At least one radiation oncologist should be included. Meetings should be at least quarterly and written reports to the board are requested.

5. *Fellowship Committee*

This committee shall annually review the membership of the Chapter for the purpose of nominating members to fellowship in the American College of Radiology. This committee should be composed of fellows of the College. Nominations shall be approved by the Board of Trustees Committee.

6. *Legislative Committee*

This committee should anticipate and review proposed legislation and regulations that affects the practice of radiology in the state. Their findings shall be reported to the Chapter for action.

7. *Ethics Committee*

This committee shall consider charges of unethical conduct involving a member of the Chapter and shall transmit its recommendations to the Board of Trustees of the Chapter. It shall be composed of three members appointed by the President with the approval of the Board of Trustees. Where possible, except for the chairman, members of the Board of Trustees shall not be appointed to the Ethics Committee.

8. *Bylaws Committee*

This committee shall be responsible for periodic review of the bylaws and provide recommended revisions when necessary.

9. *Nominating Committee*

This committee shall present to the Secretary no less than 45 days prior to the annual meeting nominations for all offices established in these bylaws and the designated number of members-at-large of the Board of Trustees. The nominations will be circulated to the membership no less than twenty days prior to the annual meeting. It shall, when possible, consist of the three Past Presidents and two Active Members who are not on the Board of Trustees. Membership cannot be more than three consecutive years.

10. *Resident Affairs Committee*

This committee shall provide oversight of the Resident and Fellow Section and shall encourage resident participation in the activities of the Chapter, address their educational needs, and help prepare them to enter the practice of radiology.

11. *Awards Committee*

This committee shall honor Michigan radiologists who have made outstanding contributions to the field of radiology. The committee shall consist of the president and at least 2 designees. It will recommend award recipients to the Board of Trustees.

12. *Finance and Budget Committee*





This Committee shall review the proposed annual budget of the MRS and make recommendations to the Treasurer and Board of Directors on matters of revenue enhancement or expense reduction. They will also recommend appropriate investments of MRS assets.

13. *Radiation Oncology Committee*

This Committee is charged with bringing to the Board of Directors any issue of special interest to members of the MRS specializing in radiation oncology.

14. *Communications Committee*

This committee will provide ongoing oversight of the MRS website, portal, newsletter operations and make the newsletter editor a permanent member of the Communications Committee. Perceived omissions or shortcomings will be brought to the MRS Board of Trustees' attention for discussion. Substantive changes to the website will only be made after Executive Committee approval. The Website Committee will be responsible for assuring that approved changes are instituted. Promotion of the website and communication with members regarding the website's contents and benefits are also important committee functions.

15. *Radiological Safety Committee*

This committee will advise the MRS Board of Directors on matters pertaining to safety issues in medical imaging and radiation therapy procedures. In this role the committee may provide input to state regulatory agencies, act as a public liaison and develop safety educational opportunities related to safety in radiological medical sciences.

16. *Young and Early Career Physicians Committee*

The goal of the Young and Early Career Physician Committee is to foster young and early career physicians with common concerns; to present young and early career physician issues to the MRS Board of Trustees and ACR; and to foster participation in the ACR. Young and early career physicians are those up to age 40 or within 8 years of completion of residency/fellowship training.

17. *Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee*

The goal of this committee shall be to embrace and advance diversity and inclusion through equity, access and innovation for the benefit of our patients, our profession, and the American College of Radiology. The vision is to achieve a radiology profession that celebrates diversity and actively promotes inclusion at all levels of training, practice and leadership.

18. *Medical Student Committee*

The goal of this committee is to expose medical students to the radiological specialties with the goals of: developing a pipeline of future members; producing better educated referring physicians; and increasing the number and diversity of applicants to radiology residency programs.

19. *Senior and Retiree Committee*

The goal of this committee is to enhance the experience of senior (> 65 years) and retired members in the Chapter by promoting fellowship and interaction among the members; communicating opportunities for continued professional involvement including mentorship, career transition and leadership training with other groups in the ACR; enhancing retirement opportunities such as service, financial planning, and recreation; and encouraging members to be ambassadors of the ACR to fellow physicians, health care organizations, and patients.



**ARTICLE VIII - COUNCILORS AND ALTERNATE COUNCILORS  
OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGY**

**Section 1**

The Chapter shall elect councilors to the Council of The American College of Radiology in such numbers and on the terms authorized by the bylaws of the College and the rules and regulations of the ACR Council.

**Section 2**

Election of councilors shall be by ballot at the annual meeting of the Chapter, and the nominee for each vacancy who shall receive a plurality of votes cast shall be declared elected. For each councilor so elected, the Chapter shall elect, by the same procedure, an alternate councilor. Councilors and Alternate Councilors and Members-at-large must be members of the College.

**Section 3**

The term of the office of the Councilor shall be three years, or whatever term of office is prescribed in the current bylaws of the College. They may be eligible to succeed themselves for one additional three-year term but shall not be eligible for reelection to additional terms until a lapse of not less than one year.

The term of office of an Alternate Councilor shall be one year and shall be eligible to succeed themselves. An Alternate Councilor shall be eligible at any time to be elected a Councilor for a full three-year term.

The term of office of a Member-at-Large shall be one year and shall be eligible to succeed themselves. A Member-at-Large shall be eligible at any time to be elected a Councilor or Alternate Councilor for a full three-year term.

A Councilor or Alternate Councilor or Member-at-Large shall take office at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting of the American College of Radiology.

**Section 4**

The Councilor's primary duty is to serve as a representative from the Chapter in the Council of the American College of Radiology.

The duties of Councilors shall include attending and participating actively in the meetings of the Chapter and of the College; familiarizing themselves with activities and problems at the local and national levels; acting as liaison between the Chapter and the College and interpreting each to the other; contributing to both groups' ideas, guidance and advice; and stimulating preparation of resolutions by the Chapter for presentation to the Council.

**Section 5**

The Alternate Councilor shall help the Councilor in the performance of their duties and accompany them to meetings of the Chapter and of the College. The Alternate Councilor shall be prepared to act for the Councilor whenever necessary.

**Section 6**

The Member-at-Large has duties and responsibilities are not fixed but instead vary according to the needs of the Chapter and as directed by the officers of the Board. Members-at-Large attend meetings of the Chapter.

**ARTICLE IX - MEETINGS**

**Section 1**



The annual meeting of the Chapter shall be held after the Annual Meeting of the American College of Radiology at such time during the month of May and at such place as shall be selected by the Board of Trustees. Notice of the exact time and place of such meeting shall be physically or electronically mailed to the members of the Board of Trustees no fewer than fifteen days prior to such date. Additional regular meetings may be scheduled by the Board of Trustees, and notice of the time and place thereof shall be physically or electronically mailed to the members of the Board of Trustees no fewer than fifteen days prior to any such scheduled meeting.

## Section 2

Special meetings of the Chapter shall be called: (a) by the President when deemed necessary by the Board of Trustees; (b) at the request of the American College of Radiology; or (c) by petition of one-third of the voting members in good standing or by thirty such members, whichever is less. Notice stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting shall be physically or electronically mailed to each member at least ten days prior to the meeting. At a special meeting, no business may be transacted except that for which such special meeting was called.

## Section 3

A quorum shall consist of the number of voting members of the Chapter present.

## ARTICLE X - STANDING RULES

*Sturgis's Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure* shall be the authority governing all business meetings of the Chapter, unless otherwise provided in these bylaws.

## ARTICLE XI - DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

All active and associate members, and affiliate members shall pay dues in an amount based upon budget prepared by the Board of Trustees and approved by the members at the annual meeting. Members in training and retired, members shall not pay dues. Admission to membership and continuation of membership shall be contingent upon the payment to the Association of such dues and assessments as may then be in force.

Assessments of dues-paying members may not be levied except upon recommendation of the Board of Trustees and by a majority vote at the annual meeting of the Chapter, notice of such recommendation having been sent to each such member no fewer than ten days prior to the meeting.

Names of members in arrears in payment of dues or assessments shall be referred to the Board of Trustees for action. If dues have not been paid by the deadline set forth in the annual dues invoice, notification shall be given by letter to the delinquent member that if said dues are not paid within thirty days, the member's name shall be stricken from the rolls of the Chapter and the College. Such former member shall be eligible for automatic reinstatement upon payment of current dues and the previous year's dues (if unpaid) and upon certification of Chapter membership.

Any member suffering serious financial hardship or long-term illness may request a waiver of dues for the year. All such requests must be made in writing and directed to the Board of Trustees. All waivers of dues for financial hardship of illness are at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. Any members making such requests will be notified in writing of the decision reached. If difficulties in payment of dues persist more than that calendar year, a written request must be submitted each subsequent year.

## ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

### Section 1



Amendments of these bylaws may be made at any regular meeting of the Chapter by the favorable concurrence of the members present and voting, provided the proposed amendments shall have been presented in writing to the Board of Trustees at least 45 days prior to the meeting at which the proposed amendments are to be voted upon. The Board of Trustees shall notify the members in writing of proposed amendments no fewer than twenty days prior to such meeting.

## **Section 2**

Any amendment so adopted shall not be contrary to requirements for Chapter status in the American College of Radiology and shall be immediately forwarded to the College for its records.

## **ARTICLE XIII - INDEMNIFICATION**

Each person who is or was a member of the Board of Trustees, an officer of the Chapter, and each person who serves or has served at the request of the Chapter as a director, officer, agent or committee member of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise shall be indemnified by the Chapter to the fullest extent permitted by the corporation laws of the State of Michigan as they may be in effect from time to time. The Chapter may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any such person in any such capacity or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the corporation would have power to indemnify them against such liability under the laws of the State of Michigan.

## **ARTICLE XIV - SECTIONS**

The sections shall be subject to the overall direction and control of the Board of Trustees and shall have no authority to bind the Chapter, except as expressly authorized by the Board of Trustees.

An additional section may be formed by members whose particular needs would be served by development of a separate section upon approval of petition by no less than thirty members whose particular needs are distinct from those served by an already established section.

A section of the Michigan Radiological Society shall be the Resident and Fellow Section.

## **ARTICLE XV - RESIDENT AND FELLOW SECTION**

### **Section 1**

The Resident and Fellow Section (RFS) of the Michigan Radiological Society shall consist of members-in-training.

### **Section 2**

The Resident and Fellow Section of the Chapter shall: uphold the general purposes and ethical principles for the Chapter; hold periodic scientific and educational programs and meetings; and assume any responsibilities or privileges as may be delegated by the Chapter.

### **Section 3**

The officers of the Section shall be (1) President, (2) President-elect, (3) Secretary, (4) Treasurer, (5) Fundraising Chair, (6) Webmaster, and (7) Resident & Fellow Section Liaison. Officers shall be elected annually and shall serve a one-year term or until their successors are elected.

#### *1. President*

The president of the RFS serves as the Chair of the RFS Executive Committee and presides over all RFS Executive Committee and section meetings. . The president shall assist the Chapter President in identifying resident and fellow volunteers for membership on committees of the Chapter. The president shall serve as a



liaison between the Section and the Chapter, through the chairman of the Resident Affairs Committee or the Secretary of the Chapter.

2. *President-Elect*

The president-elect of the RFS presides at RFS Board meetings in the absence of the President and assumes the office of President if the President is unwilling or unable to serve or if the RFS Executive Committee determines that he/she is unable to serve. The President-Elect is automatically the successor to the office of President after a one-year term as President-Elect.

3. *Secretary*

The Secretary of the RFS oversees the records of the section, including meeting minutes.

4. *Treasurer*

The Treasurer of the RFS oversees the finances of the Section.

5. *Fundraising Chair*

The Fundraising Chair oversees the fundraising activities for the RFS annual conference.

6. *Webmaster*

The RFS Webmaster works with the Communications Committee on updates for the MRS website.

7. *Resident & Fellow Section Program Liaison*

The Resident & Fellow Section Program Liaison works with Residency and Fellowship Program Coordinators to promote the RFS and any events.

#### **Section 4**

1. *Election of Officers:*

Prior to the yearly Michigan Radiological Society Resident and Fellows Conference, candidates will be asked to complete an application which will be anonymized. Each application will receive a numerical score (1-10) ranked by select members of the resident affairs committee. The average score will be utilized to rank candidates. The highest-ranking applicant from each program (which applied) will have the "first-choice" in position. The second-highest ranking applicant from each program will have the "second-choice" in position, and so forth. If an applicant's first-choice position has already been filled, they will fill their next choice position until no other positions are available. A second position may not be filled by a member of the same residency program until all residency programs are represented. If there is a tie in applicant score, the chair of the resident affairs committee will make the tie-breaking decision. All winners will be announced at the yearly Michigan Radiological Society Resident and Fellows Conference.

**Application:**

1. Please rank ALL positions you would be interested in filling.
2. Why are you interested in joining the Michigan Radiological Society Executive Board?
3. What qualifications do you have for the positions you are applying?
4. What ideas do you have for MRS RFS this year?



## **Section 5**

### *1. Executive Committee*

The Executive Committee of the Resident and Fellow Section is comprised of the seven officers with the President serving as Committee Chair.

### *2. Committee*

The president shall assist the Chapter President in identifying resident and fellow volunteers to serve on all committees as requested by the Chapter President, except the Fellowship and Nominating Committees. The president and/or president-elect of the Section may attend the Board of Trustees meetings of the Chapter. No member of the Section shall be eligible to vote on any committee or on the Board of Trustees of the Chapter.

## **Section 6**

Meetings of the Section shall be held preceding the meeting of the Chapter. The meetings will be either business meetings or educational ones. Additional meetings of the executive committee may be called by the president. Business meetings of the Section may be restricted to delegates, but educational meetings are open to all members of the Section.

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