

# ISAAC CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE I - Name

The name of this organization shall be The International Society for Analysis, its Applications and Computation, and will be referred to as ISAAC in this document.

## ARTICLE II - Goals

Analysis is understood here in the best sense of the word, including differential equations, integral equations, functional analysis, and function theory. It is imagined that within ISAAC certain special interests groups will exist which organize workshops and mini-symposia at the ISAAC meetings. These special interests groups are to operate independently and to have representation on the ISAAC Board. Such special interest groups might contain the following:

1. Approximation Theory
2. Function Theoretic Methods in Partial Differential Equations
3. Asymptotics and Homogenization
4. Free and Moving Boundary Problems
5. Inverse Problems and Control Theory
6. Symbolic Computation and Analysis

It is the purpose of ISAAC to promote analysis, its applications, and its interaction with computation. With this objective, international meetings shall be organized for the presentation and discussion of research on analysis in the above context. ISAAC will also support, from time to time, other activities, such as summer schools and exchange of scientists, which, in the judgement of the Board of Trustees, hereinafter provided by Article IV of this Constitution, further the objectives of ISAAC.

ISAAC will seek cooperation with the existing international organizations, such as XXXXXXXX and XXXXXXXX.

## ARTICLE III - Membership

Any person or institution interested in the purposes of ISAAC may obtain membership on the recommendation of four members of ISAAC drawn from residents of at least three countries and approval by 2 over 3 of the Board of Trustees, hereinafter provided by Article IV of this Constitution. Individual membership of ISAAC shall be either ordinary or honorary. Ordinary members on reaching the age of 75 will become honorary members. All individual members shall be voting members. Institutional membership shall be non-voting.

## ARTICLE IV - Officers and Board of Trustees

### Section 1

The officers of ISAAC shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The Vice-President shall be the most recent Past-President of ISAAC, except as provided by Section 4 of this Article.

### Section 2

The governing body of the Society shall be its Board of Directors.

### Section 3

The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of ISAAC and ten other members, hereinafter called ordinary members of the Board of Directors. Only ordinary members of ISAAC shall be eligible for election as officers or ordinary members of the Board of Directors.

### Section 4

The terms of the members of the Board of Directors shall be four years or until their successors are elected. The terms shall commence on the first day of January subsequent to the date of their election. The terms of half of the ordinary members of the Board of Directors shall be concurrent with those of the officers of ISAAC. The terms of the remaining half of the ordinary members of the Board of Directors shall commence two years later.

In the event that a member of the Board of Directors ceases to perform his duties through death, incapacitating illness, resignation, or other like cause, the vacancy so created shall be filled by election by the Board of Directors of a successor to fill the unexpired term. In the event that the office of President of ISAAC becomes vacant in this manner, the Vice-President shall become the President and a new Vice-President will be elected at the next regular election of officers of ISAAC.

### Section 5

No person shall serve as a member of the Executive Committee for two consecutive terms, excepting only that a person may serve as an officer of ISAAC for one term following a term of service as an ordinary member of the Board of Directors and the President of ISAAC may serve as Vice-President of the ISAAC in accordance with Section 1 of this Article.

## Section 6

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 5 of this Article, a person who has been elected by the Board of Directors to fill an unexpired term of less than two years shall be eligible for election as an officer or ordinary member of the Board of Directors as though he had not so served. A person who has been elected by the Board of Directors to fill an unexpired term of more than two years shall, for purposes of his eligibility for election as an officer or ordinary member of the Board of Directors be deemed to have served a full term.

## Section 7

The Board of Directors shall be the legal representatives of ISAAC. It shall have the power to expend the funds of ISAAC , or to invest the same, but shall not incur indebtedness beyond the assets of ISAAC. It shall transact all the business of ISAAC not otherwise provided for specifically in the Constitution of ISAAC.

## ARTICLE V - Nomination and Election of Officers

### Section 1

At a suitable time prior to an election, a Nominating Committee consisting of five members of ISAAC, drawn from residents of at least four countries, shall be appointed by the President. One of the members of the Committee shall be designated by the President to act as Chairman.

### Section 2

The Nominating Committee shall, through its Chairman, report to the Secretary of ISAAC at least two and no more than three nominations for each of the offices to be filled at the election, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 1 and 4 of Article IV of this Constitution. The Nominating Committee shall also, through its Chairman, report at the same time at least twice and no more than three times as many nominations for ordinary membership of the Executive Committee as there are vacancies to be filled at the election, in accordance with Sections 3-6, Article IV of this Constitution. The Nominating Committee shall, in making its nominations, give due consideration to the desirability that the membership of the Board of Directors be drawn from the residents of many countries.

At least nine calendar months prior to the first day of January on which the membership of the Board of Directors will change, the Secretary shall inform the members of ISAAC of the list of nominees reported to him by the Nominating Committee. For a period of three calendar months following the date of such notification, additional nominees may be named by petition

forwarded to the Secretary and signed by at least ten (10) voting members in good standing of ISAAC. Upon receipt of such petition, the Secretary shall, after acceptance of such nomination by the nominees, add such names to the ballot prepared by him. The complete lists of nominees for the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and for ordinary membership of the Board of Directors shall be arranged in alphabetical order and the country of residence of each nominee shall be indicated.

### Section 3

At least four calendar months prior to the first day of January on which the membership of the Board of Directors will change, the Secretary-Treasurer shall forward to each member of ISAAC a complete ballot, prepared as provided in Section 2 of this Article. The ballot shall, in addition, contain a notice that the voter may vote for any qualified persons other than the listed nominees, and spaces shall be provided for recording such votes.

Ballots shall be returned to the Secretary, and to be valid must be postmarked not later than two calendar months prior to the first day of January on which the membership of the Board of Directors will change. Any ballot marked so as to indicate a vote for more than one nominee for the offices of President, Vice-President, and Secretary, Treasurer, or for more than the number of ordinary members of the Executive Committee to be elected, shall be void in its entirety.

### Section 4

No sooner than one calendar month prior to the first day of January on which the membership of the Board of Directors will change, the President and Secretary of ISAAC shall open and count all ballots cast by members of the Society in good standing. The candidates for the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer and the candidates for ordinary membership of the Board of Directors who receive the highest number of votes cast shall be declared elected and the Secretary shall inform the members of ISAAC by mail of the names of the persons so elected prior to the first day of January on which their election becomes effective. If there is a tie vote for the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, or for ordinary membership of the Board of Directors, the President of ISAAC shall exercise a casting vote to determine the person or persons elected.

## ARTICLE VI - Meetings

### Section 1

A meeting of ISAAC for the purpose of conducting technical sessions or symposia and to transact business shall be held at least once in every two-year period commencing January 1, 1994, and no more than three years shall elapse between consecutive meetings.

### Section 2

Notwithstanding Section 1 of this Article, the Board of Directors may determine the existence of extraordinary conditions, requiring postponement or abandonment of a meeting.

## ARTICLE VII - Reports

The Secretary of ISAAC shall report by mail to the membership of ISAAC on the activities and financial condition of ISAAC at such times as seem appropriate, but no more than two years shall elapse between two such reports.

## ARTICLE VIII - Dues

There will be no obligations for individual members to pay dues but voluntary contributions will be welcome. The annual dues for the institutions will be fixed by the Board of Directors. The payment of the dues shall be in a local currency and will be used primarily for mailing information about ISAAC. The Treasurer shall be responsible for dues paid into ISAAC.

## ARTICLE IX - Amendments to the Constitution

Amendments to this Constitution may be made by a two-thirds (2 over 3) vote of those voting, in a letter ballot submitted to the voting membership, pursuant to a petition signed by forty (40) voting members of ISAAC in good standing and sent to the Secretary of ISAAC. On receipt of such a petition, the Secretary shall, within sixty (60) days, send a letter ballot to all voting members of ISAAC. Ballots shall be returned to the Secretary, and to be valid must be received by him within sixty (60) days of the date on which they were sent by him to the voting members of ISAAC. Amendments so approved shall become effective immediately upon certification of approval by the Secretary to the Executive Committee and to the membership, except that amendments which change the status of officers of ISAAC shall become effective when the new officers are declared elected.