

REPORT ON NEED FOR REVISION OF CHAPTER BY-LAWS

Our current By-Laws were adopted November 12, 1964.

The Executive Secretary pointed out a number of deficiencies in a letter to Ken Hungerford November 19, 1964. The official copy has been annotated to this effect.

However, at least two of these deficiencies have not been corrected. These are:

1. No direction regarding what constitutes a quorum has been included in the By-Laws.
2. The standing committees have not been identified in the By-Laws.

There are a number of other shortcomings of our existing By-Laws which need correction.

Article IV, Section 4, Clause C of the By-Laws of The Wildlife Society, dated August 5, 1968, states,

" Sections and Chapters shall adopt and maintain Bylaws in substantial conformity with the current Model Bylaws approved by the Council.

Section and Chapter Bylaws, and revisions thereof, must be approved by the Council.

Such Bylaws shall require submission of an annual report, financial statement, record of elections, and other official action within ten days thereof to the Executive Director and to the appropriate Regional Representative."

Our 1964 Bylaws do not substantially conform to the Model Bylaws adopted by the Council _____ .

I, therefore recommend that a committee be appointed to redraft our Bylaws.

Keith Bayha
January 25, 1970

Corrected according to Evenden's letter to Hungerford of
Nov. 19, 1968

BY LAWS OF THE
IDAHO CHAPTER OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

Approved as of
Nov. 12

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Section 3. *Due notice shall be given of regular and special meetings.*

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Proposed changes in By Laws should be announced to the membership 30 days prior to voting.

R. H. Giles
Approved April 4, 1968

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September 1, 1965

TO: Existing Section Officers, The Wildlife Society
Existing Chapter Officers, The Wildlife Society
Potential Sections and Chapters, The Wildlife Society

The attached Model Bylaws for Sections and Chapters was developed in response to many past requests. Following its development by the Bylaws Committee and comments from many Section and Chapter Officers, the attached Model was approved by the Council of The Wildlife Society at Denver, Colorado, on August 24, 1965.

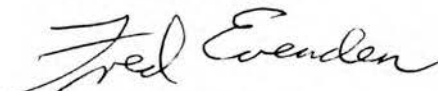
It is the Council's intent that existing Sections and Chapters be encouraged to bring their Bylaws into substantial agreement with the Model, but this is not mandatory. Please use your own judgment.

Future Sections or Chapters will be expected to submit Bylaws for approval of the Council which are in substantial agreement with this Model.

This Model, together with a copy of the parent Society Bylaws, should provide newly-organizing groups with all the material needed to organize properly, for sufficient alternative choices are provided in the Model Bylaws.

If you have additional questions or comments, please contact the Executive Secretary.

Most sincerely,



Fred G. Evenden
Executive Secretary

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SECTION AND CHAPTERS OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY 1/

(APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY ON AUGUST 24, 1965)

Article I - Name, Area, and Affiliation

Section 1 - Name - The name of this organization (group) shall be the _____ (SorC) of The Wildlife Society, Inc.

Section 2 - Area - This (SorC) shall have as its area of organization the (states and provinces) OR (state, province) OR (portion, county, counties) of (state, province) OR the environs of (city, metropolitan area) OR (St.) the campus (and environs) of _____.

Section 3 - Criteria for Affiliation - The _____ (SorC) shall conform to the Bylaws, Code of Ethics, policies, principles and objectives of The Wildlife Society, Inc. (St.) The student Chapter shall also maintain appropriate affiliation with the campus or student government organization required by local (university, college) regulations.

Article II - Objectives and Purposes

Section 1 - Objectives - The _____ (SorC) may establish objectives, purposes, activities and principles not in conflict with those of The Wildlife Society. (The following additional Sections are suggested:)

(Section 2) - It shall provide an opportunity for better liaison between the individual member, his regional representative, and the parent Society.

(Section 3) - It shall recognize and commend outstanding work in the profession.

(Section 4) - It shall serve to focus the aims and objectives of the parent Society upon professional wildlife needs, problems, and events on the (state, section, local) scene.

(Section 5) - (St.) - It shall encourage high standards of scholastic achievement and shall help create a good understanding of employers' objectives and needs.

1/ (SorC), (S), (C) mean Section or any type of Chapter. (St.) means Student Chapter.

Article III - (SorC) Year

Section 1 - The (SorC) operating and fiscal year shall begin (date).

Article IV - Membership

Section I - Full Membership - Full Membership in the _____ (SorC) shall be available to any (student) member of The Wildlife Society in good standing (and residing in the (SorC) jurisdictional area). (OR) (Members need not necessarily reside within the (SorC) territory described in Art. 1, Sec. 2.).

Section 2 - Affiliate Membership - Affiliate (Associate) membership is available in the _____ (SorC) to those persons not members of The Wildlife Society in good standing. Affiliate (Associate) members shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a full member except he cannot vote on Society (SorC) business affairs and he cannot hold office in either the (SorC) or the parent Society.

Section 3 - Dues - Annual (SorC) dues of \$ _____ shall be payable to the (SorC) Secretary-Treasurer (Treasurer) no later than (date). Members who have not paid parent Society dues by December 31 following billing shall lose their rights and privileges of membership.

Section 4 - Resignation - Members of any class may resign at any time by giving notice to the (SorC) Secretary-Treasurer (Secretary). Such persons may rejoin upon payment of current dues.

Section 5 - Reinstatement - Persons dropped from the rolls of the (SorC) for non-payment of dues may be reinstated into membership in this (SorC) upon re-application and payment of current (SorC) dues.

Section 6 - Charter Member - Members in good standing on the (SorC) membership rolls as of _____ (date) shall be considered Charter Members.

Section # - Honorary Member - Honorary members shall be persons who, by a majority vote of the members of the (SorC), have been thus recognized for their achievements. An honorary member pays no (SorC) dues.

(St.) Section # - Advisory Member - Members of the faculty of (university, college) who are members of The Wildlife Society in good standing shall be members without vote of the _____ Student Chapter.

Section # - Bylaws - Each person will be presented a copy of these Bylaws upon becoming a member of this (SorC).

Article V - Elections and Officers

Section 1 - Nominating Committee - The three-member Nominating Committee selected by the Executive Board of the _____ (SorC) shall prepare a slate of two candidates for each of the elective positions, namely: President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer (Secretary and Treasurer), and (C, only, one (two) additional Executive Board member(s) from the membership of the Chapter).

Clause A - Prior approval shall be obtained from said candidates.

Clause B - Said nominations slate shall be submitted to the (SorC) membership at least 30 days (St., 2 weeks) prior to the time of (written mail balloting) (the annual business meeting).

Clause C - Additional nominations may be placed on the Nominating Committee's slate upon the signed signature support of (S,20) (C,6 or 7) members in good standing, and provided prior approval of nominee has been obtained.

Clause D - Those nominated must be members of The Wildlife Society in good standing. A member may be elected for no more than two consecutive years in the same elective position. A member may be nominated for more than one elective position, but may be elected to only one of these positions. The member with the next highest number of votes would achieve the second position.

Clause E - (St.) - The President and Vice-President shall be elected from those members of the Chapter who expect to attain, or have Upper Division status by the first full quarter or semester which follows their election.

Section 2 - Balloting - Written ballots shall be received from the members by the Secretary-Treasurer (Secretary) and shall be counted by the Secretary-Treasurer (Secretary) and two full members of the (SorC) appointed by the President who are not up for election.

Clause A - Members in arrears shall forfeit their rights to vote during the period of their delinquency.

Clause B - An absentee ballot (proxy) may be submitted to the Secretary-Treasurer (Secretary) by a qualified member prior to the scheduled time for counting ballots.

Clause C - The candidate receiving the largest number of votes (a plurality) on the written ballot shall be declared elected. No one may hold two elective positions simultaneously.

Section 3 - Officers - Officers of the _____ (SorC) shall consist of a President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer (Secretary and Treasurer).

Their duties shall be:

Clause A - President - The President shall have general supervision of the (SorC) officers. He shall appoint, with the assistance of the Executive Board, Chairmen of all regular and special committees, and he shall preside at meetings of the Executive Board and (SorC) and shall be ex-officio a member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. He shall represent the (SorC) or appoint alternate representatives to (other Chapter, Section, Region, or parent Society meetings -- whichever applicable).

Clause B - Vice-President - The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in his absence or upon his inability to serve, and shall perform any duties assigned by the President. (Such duties might include chairmanship of the membership or program committee.) In the event the Vice-President cannot serve as the President, the Executive Board shall appoint a President, pro tempore.

Clause C - Secretary-Treasurer (Secretary and Treasurer, in which case the assignment of the duties must be divided and specified) - The Secretary-Treasurer (Treasurer) (Secretary) shall be responsible for the (SorC) files, records, and funds, and he shall submit complete financial reports to the last meeting of his term of office. His duties also shall include the receipt and disbursement of funds, the recording of the minutes of all meetings, the maintenance of the membership rolls, correspondence, and the issuance of meeting notices.

Section 4 - Term of Office - The officers and elected board members must be members of The Wildlife Society in good standing, and they shall serve for approximately one (two) year(s), be installed at the Annual Meeting, take office immediately following the Annual (SorC) Meeting, and terminate their duties at the conclusion of the next Annual (SorC) Meeting, or at such time as their successors are elected and installed.

(St. - For those Student Chapters holding spring elections) - Those elected to positions in the Chapter during the Annual Business Meeting shall take office at the first meeting in May of the school year in which they are elected, and conclude their duties with the last meeting of the Chapter in April of the following year.

Article VI - Meetings

Section 1 - Regular Meetings - Regular membership meetings of the (SorC) shall be held at such times and places as determined and published by the Executive Board. (or, be more specific, if desired) (or tied in with a special group meetings, as is the case with some Sections and Chapters).

Clause A - Annual Meeting - The regular meeting in (month) shall be known as the Annual Meeting, and shall be for the purpose of electing officers, receiving reports of officers and committees, and for any other business that may arise.

Clause B - Meeting Notice - Full members must be notified at least (SorC, one month,?) (St., one week) prior to any meeting when special, unusual, or particularly important business action is to be taken, and the notice must contain reference to the business to be considered.

Clause C - Quorum - The quorum for the annual meeting of the (SorC) shall be over 50 per cent of the membership or 20 members in good standing, whichever is less; for regular meetings, over 25 per cent of the membership or 10 members in good standing, whichever is less; and for Executive Board Meetings, three members of the Board.

Art. VI, Sec. 1 - Regular Meetings

Clause D - Meeting Rules - The rules contained in the latest revision of Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the (SorC) in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the Bylaws or the special rules of order of the (SorC) or parent Society.

Clause E - Number of Meetings - The _____ Student Chapter shall meet (twice each month of the school year, semi-annually, or 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9 times each school year).

Clause # - Bylaws - The Bylaws of this organization shall be read to the membership present during each annual meeting.

Section 2 - Special Meetings - (SorC) Special Meetings may be called by the Executive Board at any time, provided due notice (See Art. VI, Sec. 1B) and the purpose of the call are given.

(St.) - Special Meetings may be called by the Executive Board at any time during the school year, except during official holidays and final week and the week preceding it.

Clause A - Only those items listed in the call for a special meeting shall be acted upon at the special meeting.

Clause B - All Clauses under Section 1 of this Article apply as well to special meetings.

Article VII - Management and Finance

Section 1 - Executive Board - The _____ (SorC) shall be governed by an Executive Board composed of the officers, the immediate Past-President, and (S, the duly designated representatives of each member state or province, and the Regional Representative where Section and Regional boundaries are the same.) (C, one (two) full member(s) of the Chapter duly elected to the Board.)

Clause A - Conduct - The Executive Board shall conduct its affairs in conformance with the provisions of these Bylaws, and those of The Wildlife Society. The Board is authorized to act for the (SorC) between (SorC) meetings and shall report its interim actions to the members at each succeeding membership meeting.

Any action of the Board may be overridden by a two-thirds majority vote of the full membership.

Clause B - Attendance - Members may attend Board Meetings, but may participate only when asked to do so, and they may not vote at such Meetings. (St.) The attendance of the advisory member at each Board Meeting shall be requested.

Clause C - Vacancies - If the office of the President is vacated for any reason, the Vice-President shall fill the office for the balance of the unexpired term of the President. All other vacancies in any unexpired term of an elective office shall be filled through appointment by the Executive Board.

Section 2 - Finance - Funds of the _____ (SorC) shall be under the supervision of the Executive Board, and shall be handled by the Secretary-Treasurer (Treasurer).

Clause A - The Secretary-Treasurer (Treasurer) need not be bonded.

Clause B - Funds shall be derived from dues, special assessments, work projects, and contributions.

Clause C - Funds shall be placed in a federally-insured bank or savings and loan association.

Section 3 - Reports - The Secretary-Treasurer (Secretary) shall, within ten (10) days after an election or other official action taken by the (SorC), provide a copy of such action to the Executive Secretary of The Wildlife Society, and to the Regional Representative, (Section President) (St., and other required authority). These same parties should receive an annual (SorC) financial statement from the Secretary-Treasurer (Treasurer).

Section 4 - Files - The (SorC) shall maintain a file containing: Bylaws of The Wildlife Society and the (SorC), minutes of all regular and special (SorC) meetings, and of the Executive Board, correspondence pertinent to (SorC) affairs, all committee reports, financial statements and records, and all other material designated as pertinent by the Executive Board. A "procedure for filing" shall be drafted and kept in the (SorC) file for the guidance of each succeeding Secretary-Treasurer (Secretary).

Art. VII - Management and Finance

Section 5 - Resolutions and Public Statements - Any (SorC) member(s) may submit

actions (resolutions or statements) for consideration by the (Sor C) Executive Board. These shall be accepted or rejected by the Board, or a committee established for the purpose, and, if involving new policy, prepared for submission to the (SorC) membership. Such new items must be approved by a two-thirds majority vote of the membership.

Actions falling within previously established (SorC) policies may be carried out by the President or Secretary-Treasurer (Secretary) upon unanimous approval of the Executive Board. These and all actions approved by the (SorC) membership must be in agreement with those already established by the parent Society. Any approved actions outside established policies and purposes of the parent Society must be submitted to the Council for consideration and action.

Article VIII - Committees

Section 1 - Appointments - The President shall consider suggestions of the Executive Board in appointing Chairmen of all regular standing committees except the Nominating Committee (Art. V, Sec. 1) and special committees as the need arises. Committee Chairmen shall complete their committees with assistance of the President.

Section 2 - Duties of Standing Committees:

Clause A - Nominating - (See Art. V, Sec. 1 and Clauses A-D)

Clause B - Membership - This Committee shall endeavor to obtain the maximum number of qualified persons residing in the (SorC) area to become members of The Wildlife Society and of its (SorC).

(St.) This Committee shall maintain a list of all student members at (university, college) who list wildlife management as their major subject and encourage them to join the Chapter. They shall also encourage participation at Chapter Meetings and on Committees.

Art. VIII, Sec. 2 - Duties of Standing Committees:

Clause C - Program - This Committee shall arrange programs of all regular and annual meetings and provide the President with a proposed agenda for the annual meeting at least one month prior to the meeting date.

Clause D - Education and Information - (Publicity) - This Committee shall seek and employ methods of informing the public of basic concepts of wild-life management and of Society activities and interests in concurrence with the Bylaws.

Class E - Resolutions and Public Statements - This Committee shall receive proposed resolutions or public statements from members at any time, and prepare and submit such items for endorsement and further action by the (SorC) membership at the Annual Meeting.

Section 3 - Accountability - All committees shall be accountable to the Executive Board, under general supervision of the President.

Section 4 - Tenure - All committees shall serve until new committees are appointed in their stead or until the duties assigned to the committee have been discharged.

Article IX - Dissolution

Section 1 - Upon dissolution of the _____ (SorC) of The Wildlife Society, the Executive Board shall turn all assets, accrued income, and other properties over to the Council of The Wildlife Society to hold until such time as another (SorC) may be established in the same area.

Article X - Amendment to Bylaws

Section 1 - These Bylaws may be altered or amended by a majority of the members voting at any regular or special (SorC) meeting if advance notice of the proposed changes per Art. V, Sec. 1B of these Bylaws is followed. A member who will be absent from the meeting may proceed as under "balloting" in Art. V, Sec. 2B.

Section 2 - Amendments must not conflict with the current Bylaws of The Wildlife Society.