

NANOBIOLOGY AND NANOMEDICINE Subgroup Bylaws

These bylaws are provisional pending approval at the NANOBIOLOGY AND NANOMEDICINE Subgroup Business Meeting during the Biophysical Society meetings of 2008.

Article 1

Purpose: The purpose of the subgroup will be to support discussion and collaboration contributing to progress in the application of nanoscience for discovery in biophysics, and progress in the use of biophysical understanding to inform and support progress in nanoscience.”

Article 2

Membership: Members of the Biophysical Society can join the NANOBIOLOGY AND NANOMEDICINE Subgroup; non-members of the Biophysical Society are welcome to participate in NANOBIOLOGY AND NANOMEDICINE Subgroup activities.

Article 3

Dissolution: This group may be dissolved at the discretion of the Council of the Biophysical Society.

Article 4

Meetings: Business meetings shall be held in connection with the annual scientific meeting of the Biophysical Society. Five percent of the members of the NANOBIOLOGY AND NANOMEDICINE Subgroup or 10 members, whichever is smaller, shall constitute a quorum.

Scientific meetings shall be held at the discretion of the Council. These meetings will be held in association with the annual Biophysical Society meetings.

Article 5

Dues: In addition to those requested by the Biophysical Society, dues of \$20/year will be levied by the Subgroup Council.

Article 6

Officers: The officers of the group will be a group Chairman, a Chairman-elect, and two Program Co-chairs. The Chairman-elect shall serve one year as such followed by one year as Chairman. Two Program Co-chairs shall be elected for a period of 1 year each.

Article 7

Council: The Council will be responsible for the fulfillment of the scientific and business obligations of the group. The Officers, the immediate past Chairman and 3 members elected at large shall constitute this Council. The at-large council members will serve staggered 3-year terms, with one new member elected each year. The Council shall have power to conduct other business by means of mail vote. The affairs of the Group shall be handled by the officers in accordance with the policies determined by the Council.

[At the group's first business meeting in 2008, three Council members will be elected, one for a one year term, another for a two year term, and a third for a three year term. In subsequent years, the procedures given above in Article 7 will apply.]

Article 8

Nominating Committee: The members of the Council shall constitute the nominating committee. Nominations will also be received from the floor at the annual business meeting or by e-mail or letter up to two weeks prior to the annual meeting. Nominees will accept their nomination prior to being placed on a ballot.

Article 9

Elections: Elections shall be held at the annual meeting of the Biophysical Society. The candidate for each office receiving the highest number of votes will be elected. Officers will take office at the end of the annual business meeting held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Biophysical Society. Interim vacancies in officers or councilors will be filled in accordance with By-Law Article IX of the Biophysical Society.

Article 10

Amendments to the By-Laws: Amendments should arise from the members of the NANOBIOLOGY AND NANOMEDICINE Subgroup, approved by a two-thirds majority of the Council, and ratified in a mail ballot by a majority of the members of the group voting.