ARTICLE VI.

This Constitution shall not be amended unless notice of the proposed amendment be sent by mail to every member of the Society at least four weeks in advance of the meeting at which such amendment is to be considered; and such amendment in order to be adopted must receive two-thirds of the votes cast in person and by mail.

BY-LAWS.

I.

For the election of a new member to the Society it shall be necessary that a proposition in due form signed by two members of the Society shall be presented at a meeting of the Council, and that at a subsequent meeting of the Council the person named in such proposition shall receive the favorable ballots of a majority of the members present.

II.

Each new member shall pay to the Society an initiation fee of five dollars.

III.

The annual dues shall be five dollars, payable on the 1st of January. Each new member shall pay in proportion to the unexpired fraction of the year at the time of his election. Should the annual dues of any member remain unpaid beyond a reasonable time, the Council shall remove his name from the list of members, after due notice.

IV.

On the payment of fifty dollars in one sum, exclusive of initiation fee, any member may become a life member and shall thereafter be exempt from all annual dues.

V.

The Regular Meetings shall be held at 10.30* A.M., on the last Saturday of February, April, and October, unless otherwise ordered by the Council. The place of meeting shall be designated by the Council. The Annual Meeting shall be held on such day as the Council may decide upon between the 26th and 31st of December inclusive.†

*The Council has recently directed that the morning sessions shall open at 11 o’clock, and the afternoon sessions at 2 o’clock.
†A Summer Meeting has also been held for several years.
VI.

Notice of the time and place of each meeting shall be sent by the Secretary to such members of the Society as may request it.*

VII.

The order of business at the meetings of the Society shall be as follows:
1. Reading of the minutes.
2. Recommendations and reports.
3. Elections.
5. Presentation and discussion of papers previously announced.
6. Any other scientific communications.

VIII.

No question relative to administration shall be considered at any meeting except the Annual Meeting, without the recommendation of the Council.

IX.

1. The President shall convocate the Council whenever the affairs of the Society require it.
2. A request in writing from two members of the Council shall render the convocation obligatory.

X.

1. The Society shall publish a periodical of critical and historical nature, called the Bulletin of the American Mathematical Society.
2. The Bulletin shall be in charge of the Committee of Publication, which may associate with itself other members of the Society whose editorial assistance it may require.

XI.

1. The Society shall publish a periodical which shall have for its object to make known, as widely as possible, the more important researches presented at the meetings of the Society. This periodical shall be called the Transactions of the American Mathematical Society.
2. The editorial management of the Transactions shall be entrusted to a committee of three editors, to be appointed by the Council. The three members of the committee appointed in 1899 shall serve respectively until 1902, 1903, and 1904. In and after 1902, annually at the February meeting, the Council shall appoint one member to serve for three years. Members of the committee shall be eligible to re-appointment. Vacancies in the committee shall be filled by the Council.

* Notice is actually sent to all members of the Society.
3. The editorial committee shall have power to elect one of its members as editor in chief; but if at any time the committee shall report to the Council that it has been unable to agree upon an editor in chief, the Council shall designate one of the members of the committee to act as editor in chief. The committee shall have power to associate with itself other members of the Society whose editorial assistance it may require.

4. The Transactions shall not be distributed free to the members of the Society; but members of the Society shall have the right to subscribe to the Transactions at three-fourths of the advertised price.

XII.

It shall be the duty of each President to deliver an address before the Society at the Annual Meeting next succeeding his first election as President of the Society.

XIII.

Whenever it shall appear to the Council that a sufficient number of members of the Society are desirous of conducting in any locality periodic meetings for the reading and discussion of mathematical papers, the Council may authorize the formation of a Section to be composed at each sectional meeting of such members of the Society as may be present; and the Council shall have the right to withdraw such authorization.

XIV.

Papers intended for presentation at any meeting or sectional meeting of the Society shall be passed upon in advance of the meeting by a programme committee appointed by or under the authority of the Council; and only such papers shall be presented as shall have been approved by such committee. Papers in form unsuitable for publication, if accepted for presentation, shall be referred to on the programme as preliminary communications or reports.

XV.

No by-law shall be enacted, amended or suspended, except by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a meeting of the Society, and upon the recommendation of the Council.