

Bylaws of General Incorporated Association The Physical Society of Japan

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Chapter 1: Admission

Article 1

A person who wishes to be admitted to the Physical Society of Japan (hereafter the “Society”) as a regular member or a student member must take the procedure to apply for admission stipulated by the Society to be approved by the Board of Directors.

Article 2

Introduction by two regular members of the Society shall be required for a person who wishes to be admitted to the Society as a regular member or a student member.

Article 3

In the case of a regular member, the procedure to apply for admission consists of the submission of required information and payment of admission fees plus one-year membership dues. In the case of a student member, the student certificate shall be submitted in addition to the above.

Article 4

An individual or a corporation who wishes to be admitted to the Society as a supporting member must take the procedure to apply for admission stipulated by the Society to be approved by the Board of Directors.

Article 5

Qualification as a member shall be valid from the date following approval of admission by the Board of Directors.

Article 6

A member shall promptly report any changes in matters submitted at the time of admission application.

Chapter 2: Admission Fees, Membership Dues, etc.

Article 7

Admission fees and membership dues for regular members and student members shall be as follows.

Admission fees:	3,000 yen
Annual amount of membership due(s):	12,000 yen for a regular member 8,000 yen for a student member

Article 8

- 8.1 In the case that a regular member who is enrolled in graduate school submits the application form and student certificate, the President may reduce the membership dues making it the same as a student member.
- 8.2 In the case that a regular member, who has been the member of the Society for 25 years or longer including the period as a student member and reached the age 65 or older, submits the application form, the President may reduce the membership dues as a senior member making it the same as a student member, provided that the membership dues up to the year of application have been fully paid.
- 8.3 If there are any special circumstances, the President may approve reduction or exemption of membership dues or deferred payment.

Article 9

A supporting member must pay at least one unit of membership dues every year (35,000 yen per unit).

Chapter 3: Withdrawal and Resumption

Article 10

- 10.1 A member may withdraw from the Society at any time by submitting a notice of withdrawal.
- 10.2 In the case of withdrawal in the middle of a business year, membership dues equivalent to the remaining period of the business year shall not be refunded.
- 10.3 A member who does not pay the full membership dues for the business year shall be removed from the Society; however may resume his/her membership by paying membership dues for the previous business year along with membership dues for the current business year.
- 10.4 If resumption of membership is requested a year or longer after removal, the procedure of readmission shall be taken.
- 10.5 If readmission is requested by a person who has withdrawn from the Society and who was previously a senior member, the person may apply for admission as a senior member.
- 10.6 If a person who was previously a regular member satisfies the qualifications for senior membership at the time of applying for readmission, that person may apply for senior membership at the same time as applying for admission.

Chapter 4: Academic Meetings

Article 11

- 11.1 The Society shall hold Annual Meetings, Meetings, branch-hosted seminars, etc. to provide members with opportunities for research presentations as well as discussion on them.
- 11.2 Annual Meeting shall be held once a year covering all fields. The date, location, etc. for an Annual Meeting shall be determined by the Board of Directors.
- 11.3 In Meeting, members shall make research presentations and discuss them in specific fields. The field, date and location of Meeting shall be determined by the Board of Directors taking into account members' requests.
- 11.4 People other than members may be requested to be speakers at Annual Meetings, Meetings, regular branch meetings, and other seminars.

Article 12

- 12.1 The submission guidelines for presentations at Annual Meetings and Meetings shall be determined by the Board of Directors.
- 12.2 Members who wish to give presentations at Annual Meetings and Meetings must notify the title, abstract, and planned time of the talk to the Society in advance.
- 12.3 The Society shall announce the program of Annual Meetings and Meetings to members in advance.

Article 13

Each branch may hold branch seminars, regular branch meeting, or other academic meetings upon approval by the Board of Directors. A report shall be submitted to the Board of Directors.

Article 14

Other academic meetings shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

Chapter 5: Publications

Article 15

- 15.1 The Society shall publish the Japanese journal "BUTSURI" (hereafter "BUTSURI") on a certain date of each month.
- 15.2 The Society shall publish the Japanese magazine "Physics Education in University" every four months.
- 15.3 The Society shall publish the English journal "JPSJ: Journal of the Physical Society of Japan."
- 15.4 The Society shall publish the English journal "PTEP: Progress of Theoretical and Experimental Physics."
- 15.5 The Society shall publish the English journal "JPS Conf. Proc.: JPS Conference Proceedings."
- 15.6 For the purpose of publishing the above English journals, the Society shall operate the Publication Center for Pure and Applied Physics in cooperation with the Japan Society of Applied Physics. Operation of the Center shall be according to the "Agreement on Operation of the Publication Center for Pure and Applied Physics" to be concluded with the Japan Society of Applied Physics.
- 15.7 The details on submission to these journals as well as on publication shall be stipulated

separately.

Article 16

For the purpose of publishing materials other than BUTSURI, "Physics Education in University," JPSJ and PTEP, the President may collect extra membership dues upon obtaining approval by the Board of Directors.

Article 17

Regular members and student members shall receive BUTSURI. By prepaying the annual amount of the following additional membership dues, they may also receive the following periodical publications, etc.

1) Physics Education in University	1,200 yen
2) JPSJ	
Online subscription	
Individual	9,900 yen
Senior member	5,500 yen
Online subscription + print	
Individual/senior member	15,400 yen
3) JJAP/APEX (Japanese Journal of Applied Physics/Applied Physics Express)	
Online subscription	3,000 yen

Article 18

Supporting members may receive distribution of BUTSURI and other periodical publications of their choice depending on the number of units of membership dues according to the "Internal Regulation on Membership" in addition to one copy of BUTSURI and one copy of the "Physics Education in University."

Article 19

A member who is awarded the title of an honorary member may receive periodical publications stipulated in Article 15 upon request.

Article 20

In the case that a regular member or student member wishes overseas distribution of BUTSURI, "Physics Education in University" and English journals, overseas shipping costs must be paid as stipulated in the "Internal Regulation on Membership."

Article 21

Pricing for individuals or organizations other than members to purchase publications of the Society shall be stipulated in the "Internal Regulation on Purchase of Periodical Publications by Individuals or Organizations Other Than Members."

Chapter 6: Branches

Article 22

- 22.1 The Society shall establish the following branches in order to facilitate cooperation among members by regional unit and to vitalize activities that meet the purpose of the Society including lectures, discussion meetings, tutorial sessions, tours, etc.
Hokkaido, Tohoku, Niigata, Hokuriku, Nagoya, Kyoto, Osaka, Chugoku, Shikoku, Kyushu
- 22.2 The following officers shall be assigned for each branch.
Branch manager: 1, branch secretary: a few, branch auditor: 1
- 22.3 Operation of a branch shall be in accordance with the branch regulation as well as the branch code stipulated separately.

Chapter 7: Officers

Article 23

Officers stipulated in Article 22 of the Constitution shall be elected with the following procedures, respectively.

- (1) One term shall be from the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after conclusion of a Regular General Assembly until conclusion of the next Regular General Assembly.
- (2) The President shall be appointed by election among regular members. The President's term shall consist of two terms, consisting of the first half of the President's term and the second half of the President's term. Reappointment shall not be permitted.
- (3) In the second half of the President's term, the nominee for the President for the next-next term, who was elected in the previous term, shall be appointed as the Vice President (president-elect). The term of the Vice President (president-elect) shall be for one term, and reappointment shall not be permitted. In the first half of the President's term, the Vice President who was elected by the Board of Directors (hereinafter referred to as the "Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors)") shall be appointed. The term of the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) shall be a maximum of two terms, consisting of the first half of the President's term and the second half of the President's term, and reappointment shall not be permitted.
- (4) The nominee for the President for the next-next term shall be appointed by election among regular members as stipulated in Article 24 prior to the Regular General Assembly held in the first half of the President's term. This nominee shall become the Vice President (president-elect) who is scheduled to serve as the President by resolution of the Regular General Assembly and by appointment of the immediately following Board of Directors Meeting. The Vice President (president-elect) shall become the President by resolution of the Regular General Assembly held in the second half of the President's term and by appointment of the immediately following Board of Directors Meeting.
- (5) In the first half of the President's term, the Board of Directors shall elect the nominee for the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) among regular members prior to the Regular General Assembly held in the previous term. The nominee shall become the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) by resolution of the Regular General Assembly and by appointment of the immediately following Board of Directors Meeting. The same shall apply in the case of the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) being appointed in the second half of the President's term.
- (6) The President shall select nominees necessary for members of the Board of Directors for the following term among regular members, to be submitted to the Regular General Assembly for

discussion along with necessary information on each nominee. In the case that the nominee for the Vice President for the following term described in Paragraphs (4) and (5) is not the member of the Board of Directors, this nominee shall be included in the nominees for members of the Board of Directors for the following term.

- (7) The necessary information for each nominee shall include a brief c.v. of each nominee, areas of expertise, experiences as the member of the Board of Directors or the Auditor of the Society, etc.
- (8) To the Regular General Assembly held in the second half of the President's term, the Board of Directors shall submit the matter for discussion to make the Vice President (president-elect) the nominee for the President to be appointed for the following term in the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after the Regular General Assembly. In the first half of the President's term, it shall submit the matter for discussion to make the current President the nominee for the President to be appointed for the following term in the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after the Regular General Assembly.
- (9) To the Regular General Assembly held in the first half of the President's term, the Board of Directors shall submit the matter for discussion to make the nominee for the President for the next-next term elected through the election procedure in Article 24, the nominee for the Vice President (president-elect) to be appointed in the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after the Regular General Assembly. To the Regular General Assembly held in the second half of the President's term, it shall submit the matter for discussion to make one person elected among regular members the nominee for the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) in the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after the Regular General Assembly. In the case of the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) being appointed in the second half of the President's term, to the Regular General Assembly held in the first half of the President's term, the Board of Directors shall submit the matter for discussion to make the member of the Board of Directors who has assumed the office of the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) in the first half of the President's term, the nominee for the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) to be appointed in the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after the Regular General Assembly.
- (10) Nominees for members of the Board of Directors elected by resolution of the Regular General Assembly shall come into office as new members of the Board of Directors upon conclusion of the Regular General Assembly, and immediately hold the Board of Directors Meeting for the new term along with members of the Board of Directors who continue to assume office since the previous term.
- (11) The Board of Directors for the term shall elect the chairperson by mutual vote. The Vice President (president-elect) described in Paragraph (8) shall be appointed as the President for the new term based on the results of resolution by the Regular General Assembly in regards to the first half of the President's term. The President for the previous term shall be appointed as the President for the new term in regards to the second half of the President's term.
- (12) In the second half of the President's term, the Board of Directors for the new term shall appoint one member of the Board of Directors who is scheduled to serve as the President as described in Paragraph (8) as the Vice President (president-elect) based on the results of resolution by the Regular General Assembly. In the first half of the President's term, one member of the Board of Directors who is elected by the Board of Directors described in Paragraph (9) shall be appointed as the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) based on the results of resolution by the Regular General Assembly. In the case of the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) being appointed in the second half of the President's term, one member of the Board of Directors

who is elected by the Board of Directors described in Paragraph (9) shall be appointed as the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) based on the results of resolution by the Regular General Assembly.

- (13) The Board of Directors shall elect the Executive Directors of the Board of Directors who are not the Vice President. The Executive Directors of the Board of Directors shall share the duties to be executed under the instruction of the President, including the Executive Secretary of General Affairs, Executive Secretary of Financial Affairs, BUTSURI Editor-in-Chief, JPSJ Editor-in-Chief, PTEP Editor-in-Chief, Chairperson of the Publication Committee, etc, as separately stipulated by the Board of Directors.
- (14) The Board of Directors may appoint one member of the Board of Directors as the Executive Secretary of Management. The Executive Secretary of Management shall supervise and guide the management and staff of the Office of the Physical Society of Japan under the instruction of the President.
- (15) The Board of Directors shall select the nominee for the Auditor for the following term among regular members and submit the matter to the Regular General Assembly held in the current term for discussion. The nominee for the Auditor for the following term resolved in the Regular General Assembly shall assume the Auditor's post for the new term after conclusion of the Regular General Assembly.
- (16) Matters not stipulated in the Bylaws shall be separately stipulated in the Internal Regulations by resolution of the Board of Directors.

Article 24

The nominee for the President for the next-next term shall be elected as follows.

- (1) The President shall instruct the chairperson of the Election Committee to conduct an election by all regular members to choose the nominee for the President for the next-next term.
- (2) The Election Committee shall conduct an election according to the following procedure.
- (3) Delegates shall recommend the nominees for the President for the next-next term among regular members according to the method described in Article 25. The Election Committee shall publish to the members the names and profiles of the nominees elected. However, the number of votes, rank, etc. in the election shall not be published.
- (4) Regular members shall vote nominee for the President for the next-next term. All regular members including the nominees chosen under Paragraph (3) shall be eligible candidate.
- (5) The chairperson of the Election Committee shall report to the President the nominee receiving the highest number of votes in Paragraph (4). A lottery shall be held if there are two or more nominees receiving the highest number of votes.
- (6) Matters not stipulated in this article in relation to the election for the nominees for the President for the next-next term shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

Article 25

An election by delegates for the purpose of electing the nominees for the President for the next-next term shall be conducted as follows.

- (1) The President shall instruct the chairperson of the Election Committee to conduct an election for nominees for the President for the next-next term by all delegates, which is regarded as the recommendation by delegates.
- (2) The Election Committee shall conduct an election with the following procedure and the chairperson

of the Election Committee shall promptly report the results to the President.

- (3) The first ballot shall be the plural ballot system with one or two nominee(s). All regular members shall be eligible.
- (4) The second ballot shall be conducted for all nominees who receive votes and give consent.
- (5) The second ballot shall be the plural ballot system with one or two nominee(s).
- (6) The top six nominees are selected by the number of votes from the second ballot to conduct the third ballot. All people with the same rank, if any, shall be voted in the third ballot.
- (7) The third ballot shall be the plural ballot system with one or two nominee(s).
- (8) The top three in the third ballot shall be nominees recommended by delegates. All people with the same rank, if any, shall be nominees recommended by delegates up to the third rank.

Article 26

Following procedures shall be taken if the President or Vice President is absent.

- (1) If the President is absent for the second half of the President's term, the Board of Directors shall elect a chairperson by mutual vote and appoint the Vice President (president-elect) as the nominee for the President and in the absence of the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors), shall further elect the nominee for Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) among members of the Board of Directors. This chairperson shall call an Extraordinary General Assembly to submit for discussion the nominee for the President to be appointed at the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly and, in the absence of the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors), the nominee for the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) to be appointed at the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly. This chairperson shall call the Board of Directors Meeting after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly, and the Board of Directors shall appoint the nominee for the President as the President based on the resolution by the Extraordinary General Assembly. The term in this case shall be until conclusion of the term for the Vice President (president-elect) to originally serve as the President. In addition, in the absence of the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors), the Board of Directors shall appoint the nominee for the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) as the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) based on the resolution by the Extraordinary General Assembly. The term in this case shall be until conclusion of the term.
- (2) If the President is absent for the first half of the President's term, the Board of Directors shall elect the chairperson by mutual vote to appoint the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) as the nominee for the President and further elect the nominee for the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) among members of the Board of Directors. This chairperson shall call an Extraordinary General Assembly to submit for discussion the nominee for the President to be appointed at the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly as well as the nominee for the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) to be appointed at the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly. This chairperson shall call the Board of Directors Meeting after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly, and the Board of Directors shall appoint the nominee for the President as the President based on the resolution by the Extraordinary General Assembly. The term in this case shall be until conclusion of the term for the President who is absent to originally serve as the President. The Board of Directors shall appoint the nominee for the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) as the Vice President (elected by the Board

of Directors) based on the resolution by the Extraordinary General Assembly. The term in this case shall be until conclusion of the term.

- (3) In the case that the Vice President (president-elect) who comes into office through the election procedure and is scheduled to serve as the President is absent and that the nominee receiving the second highest number of votes in the election by regular members who elect the president-elect as the nominee is a member of the Board of Directors, the procedure in Paragraph (4) shall be observed; and if not a member of the Board of Directors, the procedure in Paragraph (5) shall be observed.
- (4) The President shall call an Extraordinary General Assembly to submit for discussion the nominee receiving the second highest number of votes described in Paragraph (3) to be appointed as the Vice President (president-elect) at the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly. The President shall call the Board of Directors Meeting after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly to appoint this nominee receiving the second highest number of votes as the Vice President (president-elect) based on the resolution by the Extraordinary General Assembly.
- (5) The President shall call an Extraordinary General Assembly to submit for discussion the nominee receiving the second highest number of votes described in Paragraph (3) as the member of the Board of Directors and as the nominee for the Vice President (president-elect) in the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly. The President shall call the Board of Directors Meeting after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly, and the Board of Directors shall appoint this nominee receiving the second highest number of votes as the Vice President (president-elect) based on the resolution by the Extraordinary General Assembly.
- (6) The term of the Vice President (president-elect) who comes into office according to the stipulation in Paragraphs (4) or (5) shall be until conclusion of the term.
- (7) If the nominee for the President for the next-next term after being finalized with election is absent prior to the Regular General Assembly, the nominee receiving the second highest number of votes in the election shall be the new nominee for the President for the next-next term.
- (8) If the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) who is not scheduled to serve as the President is absent in the first half of the President's term, the Board of Directors shall select the nominee for the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) among members of the Board of Directors. Furthermore, if the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) who is not scheduled to serve as the President is absent in the second half of the President's term, the Board of Directors may select the nominee for the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) among members of the Board of Directors. The President shall call an Extraordinary General Assembly and submit for discussion the nominee to be elected as the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) in the Board of Directors Meeting immediately after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly. The President shall call the Board of Directors Meeting after conclusion of the Extraordinary General Assembly to appoint this nominee as the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors). The term of the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) shall be until conclusion of the term.
- (9) If there are any special circumstances that cannot rely on the stipulation in each of the above sections, the policy shall be determined by the Board of Directors and the Extraordinary General Assembly shall be consulted.

Chapter 8: Delegates

Article 27

The number of delegates and the election method stipulated in Article 5 Section 2 of the Constitution shall be as follows.

- (1) The number of delegates shall be 120 or more and 140 or less.
- (2) Delegates shall be elected by voting of regular members, among candidates who are regular members as well as nominees recommended by each recommendation body among regular members.
- (3) The President shall instruct the chairperson of the Election Committee to conduct an election for delegates. The Election Committee shall conduct an election with the procedure in Paragraph (4) and subsequent paragraphs, and the chairperson of the Election Committee shall promptly report the results to the President.
- (4) Nominees for delegates shall consist of three types: nominees recommended by individual regular members (including self-nominated candidacy), nominees recommended from each division, and nominees recommended by each branch. For nominees recommended by individual regular members, at least one recommender must be a regular member, and in the case of self-nominated candidacy, the nominee shall be regarded as the recommender.
- (5) The number of delegates recommended by individual regular members shall be 30 or fewer.
- (6) The number of delegates recommended by divisions shall be 90 or fewer.. Regarding the number allocated to each division for the purpose of recommending nominees, a cap prorated by the number of presentations in the most recent Annual Meeting shall be established in addition to equal allocation of three people for each field.

Divisions are indicated in the following.

Division 1: Atomic and Molecular Physics, Quantum Electronics, Radiation

Division 2: Plasma

Division 3: Magnetism

Division 4: Semiconductors, Mesoscopic Systems and Quantum Transport

Division 5: Optical Properties of Condensed Matter

Division 6: Metal Physics (Liquid Metals, Quasicrystals), Low Temperature Physics (Ultralow Temperature, Superconductivity, Density Waves)

Division 7: Molecular Solids

Division 8: Strongly Correlated Electron Systems

Division 9: Surfaces & Interfaces, Crystal Growth

Division 10: Structural Property (Dielectrics and Related Materials, Lattice Defects and Nanostructures, X-ray and Particle Beams, Phonon)

Division 11: Fundamental Theory of Condensed Matter Physics, Statistical Mechanics, Fluid Dynamics, Applied Mathematics, Socio- and Econophysics

Division 12: Soft Matter Physics, Chemical Physics, Biophysics

Division 13: Physics Education, History of Physics, Environmental Physics

Division of Theoretical Particle Physics

Division of Experimental Particle Physics

Division of Theoretical Nuclear Physics

Division of Experimental Nuclear Physics
Division of Cosmic Rays / Astrophysics
Division of Beam Physics

- (7) The number of delegates recommended by branches shall be 20 or fewer. Each branch stipulated in Article 22 may recommend up to two nominees.
- (8) Nominees for delegates who win the confidence by a majority of votes in the election by regular members shall serve as delegates for the following term. However, in the case that the number of nominees for delegates recommended by individual regular members exceeds the number stipulated in Paragraph (5), the number shall be reduced to the stipulated number or fewer in the following order based on election results by regular members.
 - 1) Reduced according to the order of votes of non-confidence.
 - 2) Reduced according to the order of a larger member ID in the case of the same votes of non-confidence.
- (9) Election results must be promptly reported to the President and winners. Election results shall also be reported to the Board of Directors and publicized to regular members through BUTSURI and the Society website.
- (10) The term of delegates shall be from the date when the chairperson of the Election Committee reports to the President the election results by regular members stipulated in Paragraph (8) until the date when the chairperson of the Election Committee reports to the President the election results to be conducted two years later, and reappointment shall be limited to one time only.

Chapter 9: General Assembly and Board of Directors Meeting

Article 28

- 28.1 Regular General Assembly shall be held, in principle, by the last day of March each year.
- 28.2 Agenda items of the General Assembly need to be submitted to the Board of Directors for discussion in advance.
- 28.3 The Board of Directors Meeting shall be held, in principle, every month.
- 28.4 The Board of Directors Meeting must respond in good faith if members bring up matters to be considered.

Chapter 10: Election Committee

Article 29

- 29.1 Following elections conducted by the Society shall be handled by the Election Committee (hereafter the "Committee") established under the President.
 - (1) Election for delegates under Article 27.
 - (2) Election for nominees for the President for the next-next term under Articles 24 and 25
- 29.2 The Committee shall consist of the chairperson and several members, and be responsible for fair elections of the above. The chairperson and the members of the Committee shall be designated by the President through resolution by the Board of Directors.
- 29.3 The term of the Committee shall be one year, and reappointment shall be allowed.

- 29.4 Operation of the Committee as well as matters necessary for elections to be conducted by the Committee shall be stipulated in the provision on the Election Committee.

Chapter 11: Committees

Article 30

- 30.1 JPSJ Editorial Committee, BUTSURI Editorial Committee, Publication Committee, and other necessary committees shall be established within the Society. Provisions on committees shall be separately stipulated.
- 30.2 The Committee Chairperson may attend the Board of Directors to report matters governed by the Committee and express opinions.

Chapter 12: Activity Entity

Article 31

- 31.1 In the case that the Society needs an organization, function, or designation other than a committee to execute a specific activity planned by the Society with external funds for a certain period or to execute an activity entrusted by an external organization, an activity entity may be organized upon resolution by the Board of Directors. This activity entity may be issued a name suitable for its function such as a center, project, etc.
- 31.2 A person responsible for the activity entity of the above section shall be appointed.
- 31.3 The responsible person shall be appointed by the President through resolution by the Board of Directors.
- 31.4 The responsible person may attend the Board of Directors to report matters governed by the activity entity and express opinions.
- 31.5 Provisions on each activity entity shall be separately stipulated through resolution by the Board of Directors.

Chapter 13: Affairs of the Society

Article 32

32.1

The Office of the Physical Society of Japan shall have managerial staff comprised of one Secretary-General, one or two Deputy Secretary-General(s), and several managers to strive for the smooth and efficient execution of the affairs of the Society according to the policy of the Board of Directors. In addition, where necessary, several section chiefs may be appointed from among non-managerial staff to carry out important duties.

- 32.2 As managerial staff, the Secretary-general, Deputy Secretary-general(s), and managers shall make efforts for communication between the Board of Directors and staff to contribute to development of the Society.

- 32.3 The managerial staff must understand the duties of staff engaging in duties in responsible fields

and know whether or not such duties are properly executed.

- 32.4 If the position of Secretary-general is vacant due to various reasons, the Executive Director of Management shall act as a proxy.
- 32.5 Provisions on duties, employment, wages, retirement benefits, etc. for these staff shall be stipulated separately.

Article 33

The President may appoint a certified public accountant.

Chapter 14: Revision of the Bylaws

Article 34

Approval of the Board of Directors must be obtained for revision of the Bylaws. However, approval of the General Assembly must be obtained for revision of membership dues for regular members and student members.

Supplemental Provisions

1. The Bylaws shall be enforced as of September 1, 2011. However, procedures necessary to implement revision of the Bylaws may be taken by the Board of Directors in advance.

Supplemental Provisions

1. The Bylaws shall be enforced as of August 1, 2013. However, the following procedure shall be taken in the 69th term.
2. The Vice President for the 69th term shall be submitted for discussion as the nominee for the President for the 70th term at the end of the 69th Regular General Assembly, who will serve as the President for the 70th term by the appointment of the immediately following Board of Directors Meeting. The term of the President for the 70th term shall be until conclusion of the 70th term.
3. The nominee for the President for the next-next term shall be elected by regular members as stipulated in Articles 24 and 25, prior to the 69th Regular General Assembly. This nominee shall serve as the Vice President (president-elect) for the 70th term who is scheduled to serve as the President by resolution of the Regular General Assembly and by appointment of the immediately following Board of Directors Meeting.

Supplemental Provisions

The Bylaws shall be enforced as of August 1, 2014.

Supplemental Provisions

The Bylaws shall be enforced as of January 1, 2016.

Supplemental Provisions

The Bylaws shall be enforced as of April 1, 2016.

Supplemental Provisions

The Bylaws shall be enforced as of July 9, 2016.

Supplemental Provisions

The Bylaws shall be enforced as of February 16, 2019.

Revision history

July 10, 2010 (523rd Board of Directors Meeting)

The Bylaws after transition to the general incorporated association were finalized.

October 8, 2011 (538th Board of Directors Meeting)

Article 8 Section 3 was deleted. Article 22 Sections 2 and 3 were revised. The method to elect nominee for the Vice President was revised in Articles 23 to 25. The stipulation on reappointment was added to Article 27 Paragraph 10.

December 10, 2011 (540th Board of Directors Meeting)

Article 24 (3) – The profile was added in the section about publication to members.

Article 28 – The sentence was revised not to identify the location to hold the General Assembly.

July 13, 2013 (561st Board of Directors Meeting)

Articles 23, 24 and 25 were fully revised and part of Article 26 was revised, resulting from transition to the two-year term system for the President.

The measure of transition period to the two-year term system for the President was described in the supplemental provision.

September 14, 2013 (563rd Board of Directors Meeting)

Article 5 – Wording was revised.

Article 15 Paragraph 4 and Articles 16 and 17 – Revision resulting from PTP→PTEP was made.

May 10, 2014 (572nd Board of Directors Meeting)

Article 17 – The annual amount of JPSJ additional membership dues was revised and the JJAP old pricing was deleted.

Article 21 – The purchase price of JPSJ publications was revised.

June 14, 2014 (573rd Board of Directors Meeting)

Article 21 – Details on the purchase price of publications by an individual or organization other than members were deleted. Details on pricing were stipulated in the “Internal Regulation on Purchase of Periodical Publications by Individuals or Organizations Other Than Members.”

May 16, 2015 (585th Board of Directors Meeting)

Notation by target year was deleted from Article 17.

November 14, 2015 (591st Board of Directors Meeting) (to be enforced as of January 1, 2016)

Article 7 – The annual amount of membership dues was revised (matter approved in the 95th Regular General Assembly).

March 11, 2016 (595th Board of Directors Meeting) (to be enforced as of April 1, 2016)

Revision resulting mainly from the conversion to electronic admission application: Articles 2, 3, and 6.

July 9, 2016 (600th Board of Directors Meeting) (to be enforced as of July 9, 2016)

Article 8, Article 17 Section 1, Article 23 (3) and Article 27 (5), (6) and (7) – Wording was revised.

Article 15 – The JPS Conf. Proc. was added as a new publication.

Article 17 – The APEX was added in 3).

Article 27 (6) – The name of Division was revised.

February 16, 2019 (633rd Board of Directors Meeting) (to be enforced as of February 16, 2019)

Article 10 – Some wording was revised. Sections 5 and 6 were added.

Article 17 – The dues for 1) Physics Education in University and 2) JPSJ were revised (to be enforced as of January 1, 2020).

November 13, 2021 (670th Board of Directors Meeting) (to be enforced as of November 13, 2021)

Article 32 – Section 1 was revised, and Section 5 was deleted.

May 14, 2022 (677th Board of Directors Meeting) (to be enforced as of May 14, 2022)

Article 27 – The election method for delegates was revised.

November 12, 2022 (683rd Board of Directors Meeting) (to be enforced as of January 1, 2023)

Article 8 – The length of membership required to qualify was revised

January 20, 2024 (698th Board of Directors Meeting) (to be enforced as of January 20, 2024)

Articles 23 and 26 – The term of the Vice President (elected by the Board of Directors) was set at a maximum of two years, and the related rules were revised.