

CONSTITUTION
WICHITA BRANCH
KANSAS SECTION
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS

AMENDED APRIL 19, 2000

ARTICLE I: NAME AND OBJECT

- SECTION 1.** The name of this organization shall be the Wichita Branch of the Kansas Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers.
- SECTION 2.** The object of the Branch shall be to promulgate, within the area served by the Branch, the objects and purposes of the Kansas Section; to encourage and promote the advancement of engineering technical knowledge and practice; to cultivate friendly relations among all engineers; to co-operate with technical societies and with local chapters, with a view toward promoting the general welfare of the engineering profession and the American Society of Civil Engineers.
- SECTION 3.** Headquarters of the Branch shall be in Wichita, at an address designated by the Board.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

- SECTION 1.** Members of the Branch shall be those members of the Kansas Section residing within the area served by the Branch. Subscribing members are those members who subscribe to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Kansas Section by paying Kansas Section dues. Only subscribing members may vote or hold office.
- SECTION 2.** The area served by the Branch shall be designated by the Board of Directors of the Kansas Section. (Note: The Board, on January 24, 1964, designated the 37 counties of Southwest Kansas including Greeley, Wichita, Scott, Lane, Ness, Rush, Barton, Rice, Reno, Harvey, Butler, and Cowley as our northern and eastern boundary.)

ARTICLE III: DUES

- SECTION 1.** Dues to the Branch shall be that portion of the Kansas Section dues remitted by the Kansas Section to the Branch. The Branch Treasurer with the approval of the Branch Officers may accept special

contributions or assessments in excess of this amount, but the Branch shall not require payment of any dues other than the Kansas Section dues.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

- SECTION 1.** The officers of this Branch shall be a president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, who, with the latest past president, shall constitute the Board of Directors, in which the government of the Branch shall be vested. The president of the Branch shall be a member of the Board of Directors of the Kansas Section.
- SECTION 2.** The officers shall be elected at the May meeting to take office in June for a term of one year or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. Duties shall be those usually associated with such positions.
- SECTION 3.** The president and vice-president shall be of either Member or Fellow grade in ASCE.
- SECTION 4.** In the event of a vacancy in the office of president, the vice-president shall succeed to the office. Other vacancies shall be filled by the Board.

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

- SECTION 1.** Meetings shall be held monthly unless otherwise determined by the Board and may be held either in Wichita or at some other location within the Branch area.

ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS

- SECTION 1.** An amendment to this Constitution may be proposed either by the Board or by a petition signed by not less than five subscribing members of the Branch.
- SECTION 2.** An amendment shall become effective upon receiving an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the subscribing members voting, provided that a copy of the amendment to be voted upon shall have been included with the notice of the meeting at which the amendment is to be considered; provided further that written ballots received by the Branch Secretary by the date of the meeting from members not attending shall be counted in the voting; and provided further that an

amendment shall be effective only upon receiving the approval of the Board of Directors of the Kansas Section.

ARTICLE VII: BY-LAWS

SECTION 1. The Board shall prepare and adopt By-Laws to govern the procedures of the Branch including those of the Board and of the Committees. Such By-Laws shall be consistent with the provisions of the Constitution.

SECTION 2. By-Laws may be amended by an affirmative vote of not less than three-fourths of the members of the Board.