

**BYLAWS
OF
THE SCIENCE FOUNDATION**

**Article 0. Purpose
The purpose of The Science Foundation**

The Science Foundation shall be a charitable entity dedicated to supporting basic science research and engaging the public in the support of basic science.

ARTICLE 1. OFFICES

The principal office of THE SCIENCE FOUNDATION (the "Corporation") shall be located at its principal place of business or such other place as the Board of Directors ("Board") may designate. The Corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Washington, as the Board may designate or as the business of the Corporation may require from time to time.

ARTICLE 2. MEMBERSHIP

The Corporation shall have no members as defined in Section 24.03A.010(45) of the Washington Nonprofit Corporation Act.

ARTICLE 3. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

3.1 General Powers

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors.

3.2 Number

The Board shall consist of not less than three nor more than [7] Directors, the specific number to be set by resolution of the Board. The number of Directors may be changed from time to time by amendment to these Bylaws, provided that no decrease in the number shall have the effect of shortening the term of any incumbent Director.

3.3 Qualifications

Directors shall have such qualifications as the Board may prescribe by resolution or amendment to these Bylaws.

- a) A majority of the directors shall be practicing or retired scientists

3.4 Election of Directors

3.4.1 Initial Directors

The initial Directors named in the Articles of Incorporation shall serve until the first annual meeting of the Board.

3.4.2 Successor Directors

Successor Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Board. The terms of the Directors shall be set so that the terms shall be staggered to the extent possible.

3.5 Term of Office

Unless a Director dies, resigns or is removed, he or she shall hold office for a term of **three** years or until his or her successor is elected, whichever is later.

The initial Board of Directors will serve staggered terms. Directors on the initial Board will be elected to groups - two for three (3) years, two for two (2) years and one for one year. Staggered terms shall be consistent with RCW 23B.08.060. New directors shall be assigned to groups to stagger terms to the extent possible.

3.6 Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Board shall be held the [first] day of [April] in each year at a time established by the Board for the purposes of electing directors and officers and transacting such business as may properly come before the meeting. If the day fixed for the annual meeting is a legal holiday at the place of the meeting, the meeting shall be held on the next succeeding business day. If the annual meeting is not held on the date designated therefor, the Board shall cause the meeting to be held as soon thereafter as may be convenient.

3.7 Regular Meetings

By resolution, the Board may specify the date, time and place for the holding of regular meetings without other notice than such resolution.

3.8 Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Board or any committee designated and appointed by the Board may be called by or at the written request of the President or any two Directors, or, in the case of a committee meeting, by the chair of the committee. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings may fix any place either within or without the State of Washington as the place for holding any special Board or committee meeting called by them.

3.9 Remote Meetings

Members of the Board or any committee designated by the Board may participate in a meeting of such Board or committee by or through the use of, one or more means of remote communication through which all of the directors may simultaneously participate with each other during the meeting. Participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting.

3.10 Place of Meetings

All meetings shall be held at the principal office of the Corporation or at such other place within or without the State of Washington designated by the Board, by any persons entitled to call a meeting or by a waiver of notice signed by all Directors.

3.11 Notice of Special Meetings

Notice of special Board or committee meetings shall be given to a Director in writing or by personal communication with the Director not less than two days before the meeting. Notices in writing may be delivered or mailed to the Director at his or her address shown on the records of the Corporation or given by facsimile or electronic transmission. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of any special meeting need be specified in the notice of such meeting. If notice is delivered by mail, the notice shall be deemed effective when deposited in the official government mail properly addressed with postage thereon prepaid. Notice provided in an electronic transmission is effective when it is electronically transmitted to an address, location or system designated by the recipient for that purpose.

3.12 Waiver of Notice

3.12.1 In Writing

Whenever any notice is required to be given to any Director under the provisions of these Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation or applicable Washington law, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the Board need be specified in the waiver of notice of such meeting.

3.12.2 By Attendance

The attendance of a Director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

3.13 Quorum

A majority of the number of Directors in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any Board meeting. If a quorum is not present at a meeting, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

3.14 Manner of Acting

The act of the majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Board, unless the vote of a greater number is required by these Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation or applicable Washington law.

3.15 Presumption of Assent

A Director of the Corporation present at a Board meeting at which action on any corporate matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless his or her dissent or abstention is entered in the minutes of the meeting, or unless such Director files a written dissent or abstention to such action with the person acting as secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof,

or forwards such dissent or abstention by registered mail to the Secretary of the Corporation immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right to dissent or abstain shall not apply to a Director who voted in favor of such action.

3.16 Action by Board Without a Meeting

Any action which could be taken at a meeting of the Board may be taken without a meeting if a written consent setting forth the action so taken is executed by each of the Directors entitled to vote. Such written consents may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same document. Any such written consent shall be inserted in the minute book as if it were the minutes of a Board meeting. For purposes of these Bylaws, "executed" means: (a) writing that is signed; or (b) an email transmission that is sent with sufficient information to determine the sender's identity.

For purposes of this Section 3.16 only, "each of the Directors entitled to vote" does not include an "interested director" who abstains in writing from providing consent, where:

(a) The Board has determined that:

(i) The corporation is entering into the transaction for its own benefit; and

(ii) The transaction is fair and reasonable to the corporation when it enters into the transaction or the noninterested directors determine in good faith after reasonable investigation that the corporation cannot obtain a more advantageous arrangement with reasonable effort under the circumstances, at or before execution of the written consent; and

(b) Such determination is included in the written consent or in other records of the corporation.

3.17 Resignation

Any Director may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the President or the Secretary at the registered office of the Corporation, or by giving oral or written notice at any meeting of the Directors. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, or if the time is not specified, upon delivery thereof and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

3.18 Removal

At a meeting of the Board, one or more Directors may be removed from office, with or without cause, by two-thirds of the votes cast by Directors then in office.

3.19 Vacancies

A vacancy in the position of Director may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Directors though less than a quorum of the Board. A Director who fills a vacancy shall serve for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor in office.

3.20 Board and Advisory Committees

3.20.1 Board Committees

The Board, by resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors then in office, may designate and appoint one or more standing or temporary committees, each of which shall consist of two or more Directors. Such Board committees shall have and exercise the authority of the Directors in the management of the Corporation, subject to such limitations as may be prescribed by the Board; except that no committee shall have the authority to: (a) amend, alter or repeal these Bylaws; (b) elect, appoint or remove any member of any other committee or any Director or officer of the Corporation; (c) amend the Articles of Incorporation; (d) adopt a plan of merger or consolidation with another corporation; (e) authorize the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the property and assets of the Corporation not in the ordinary course of business; (f) authorize the voluntary dissolution of the Corporation or revoke proceedings therefor; (g) adopt a plan for the distribution of the assets of the Corporation; or (h) amend, alter or repeal any resolution of the Board which by its terms provides that it shall not be amended, altered or repealed by a committee. The designation and appointment of any such committee and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board or any individual Director of any responsibility imposed upon it, him or her by law.

3.20.2 Advisory Committees

The Board may designate and appoint one or more advisory committees, each of which may consist of at least one Director and one or more other individuals to give advice and counsel to the Board. The Board shall establish the charge and tasks for the committee and appoint its chair and members.

3.20.3 Quorum; Manner of Acting

A majority of the number of members of any committee shall constitute a quorum, and the act of a majority of the members of a committee present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

3.20.4 Resignation

Any member of any committee may resign at any time by delivering written notice thereof to the President, the Secretary or the chairperson of such committee, or by giving oral or written notice at any meeting of such committee. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, or if the time is not specified, upon delivery thereof and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

3.20.5 Removal of Committee Member

The Board, by resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors in office, may remove from office any member of any committee elected or appointed by it.

3.21 Compensation

The Directors shall receive no compensation for their service as Directors but may receive reimbursement for expenditures incurred on behalf of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 4. OFFICERS

4.1 Number and Qualifications

The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected by the Board. Other officers and assistant officers may be elected or appointed by the Board, such officers and assistant officers to hold office for such period, have such authority and perform such duties as are provided in these Bylaws or as may be provided by resolution of the Board. Any officer may be assigned by the Board any additional title that the Board deems appropriate. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of President and Secretary.

4.2 Election and Term of Office

The officers of the Corporation shall be elected each year by the Board at the annual meeting of the Board. Unless an officer dies, resigns, or is removed from office, he or she shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the Board or until his or her successor is elected.

4.3 Resignation

Any officer may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the President, the Vice President, the Secretary or the Board, or by giving oral or written notice at any meeting of the Board. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, or if the time is not specified, upon delivery thereof and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

4.4 Removal

Any officer or agent elected or appointed by the Board may be removed from office by the Board whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed.

4.5 Vacancies

A vacancy in any office created by the death, resignation, removal, disqualification, creation of a new office or any other cause may be filled by the Board for the unexpired portion of the term or for a new term established by the Board.

4.6 President

The President shall, subject to the Board's control, supervise and control all of the assets, business and affairs of the Corporation. The President shall preside over meetings of the Board. The President may sign deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments, except when the signing and execution thereof have been expressly delegated by the Board or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation or are required by law to be otherwise signed or executed by some other officer or in some other manner. In general, the President shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as are assigned to the President by the Board from time to time.

4.7 Vice President

In the event of the death of the President or his or her inability to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President, except as may be limited by resolution of the Board, with all the powers of and subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice President shall have, to the extent authorized by the President or the Board, the same powers as the President to sign deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments. The Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the President or the Board.

4.8 Secretary

The Secretary shall: (a) keep or cause to be kept the minutes of meetings of the Board, and minutes which may be maintained by committees of the Board; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; (c) be custodian or ensure the safe custody of the corporate records of the Corporation; (d) keep records of the post office and email address of each Director and each officer; and (e) in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to the Secretary by the President or the Board.

4.9 Treasurer

If requested by the Board, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his or her duties in such amount and with such surety or sureties as the Board may determine. The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for oversight of all funds and securities of the Corporation; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the Corporation from any source whatsoever, and ensure the deposit all such moneys in the name of the Corporation in banks, trust companies or other depositories selected in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws; provide financial reports to the Board at its meetings and on request and in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the President or the Board.

ARTICLE 5. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

5.1 Loans

No loans shall be contracted on behalf of the Corporation and no evidences of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Board. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

5.2 Loans or Extensions of Credit to Officers and Directors

No loans shall be made and no credit shall be extended by the Corporation to its officers or Directors.

5.3 Checks, Drafts, Etc.

All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers, or agent or agents, of the Corporation and in such manner as is from time to time determined by resolution of the Board.

5.4 Books and Records

The Corporation shall keep at its principal or registered office copies of its current Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws; correct and adequate records of accounts and finances; minutes of the proceedings of the Board, and any minutes which may be maintained by committees of the Board; records of the name and address of each Director, and each officer; and such other records as may be necessary or advisable.

5.5 Accounting Year

The accounting year of the Corporation shall be the twelve months ending [December 31st].

5.6 Rules of Procedure

The rules of procedure at meetings of the Board and committees of the Board shall be rules contained in Roberts' Rules of Order on Parliamentary Procedure, newly revised, so far as applicable and when not inconsistent with these Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation or any resolution of the Board.

5.7 Gifts

The corporation will make gifts consistent with its mission, to eligible entities. Gifts shall be decided on by a majority vote of the board. Gifts shall be consistent w/ scientific advisory panel, but may include other criteria as deemed appropriate.

5.7 Conflict of Interest Policy

The Board shall adopt a Conflict of Interest Policy.

5.8 Document Retention Policy

The Board shall adopt a Document Retention Policy and Schedule of Document Retention in line with applicable State and Federal law.

5.9 Asset Disposition Policy

The Board shall adopt an Asset Disposition Policy governing disposition of assets if the Corporation dissolves. Assets will be disposed of to eligible entities (e.g. other tax-exempt organizations with compatible missions).

ARTICLE 6. AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed and new Bylaws may be adopted by the vote of a majority of the number of Directors in office.

The foregoing Bylaws were adopted by a majority of the Directors then in office at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on 4/10/2025 at which a quorum was present.

Secretary