

Section T—Information, Computing, and Communication

Chairperson-Elect: Marshall C. Yovits
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Section U—Statistics

Chairperson-Elect: Margaret E. Martin
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Members of the Electorate Nominating Committee: Churchill Eisenhart and Emanuel Parzen

Section W—Atmospheric and Hydro-spheric Sciences

Chairperson-Elect: David Atlas
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Members of the Electorate Nominating Committee: David D. Houghton and Harris B. Stewart, Jr.

Section X—General

Chairperson-Elect: Dean Abrahamson
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Members of the Electorate Nominating Committee: Nicholas A. Ashford and Rachelle D. Hollander

Membership Dues Increase

The AAAS Board of Directors has approved an increase of \$4 in dues for Regular members and an increase of \$5 for Student and Emeritus members receiving *Science*. Institutional subscriptions will increase by \$5. Spouse memberships will remain the same at \$17 as will Emeritus memberships not including *Science*.

While some Association costs have remained relatively constant or increased only slightly in the last year, others have risen dramatically. Two of these, paper and printing, have an inordinate impact on the AAAS budget, primarily because of publishing *Science* each week. In addition, a postage increase will occur early in 1985. It was these financial considerations that necessitated the Board action.

Members' dues and voluntary contributions furnish the critical base upon which AAAS activities stand or fall. Those activities include internationally recognized publications; leadership in science and mathematics education, scientific freedom and human rights, oppor-

tunities in science and engineering for minorities, women, and the disabled, and science policy; radio programs that reach a large public; fellowship programs with the Congress and the media; and cooperative projects with other scientific, engineering, and educational organizations.

Regular, Student, and Emeritus members and institutional subscribers whose memberships/subscriptions expire at the end of March 1985 or later will find the new dues/subscription rate on their renewal notices. New members joining AAAS as of 1 April 1985 also will be paying the new rates (\$60 for Regular membership, \$40 for Students and Emeritus receiving *Science*, \$98 for institutional subscriptions).

Proposals and Resolutions Invited for 1985 Council Meeting

The AAAS Council will hold its next meeting on 30 May 1985 during the Association's Annual Meeting in Los Angeles. Organizations or individuals who wish to present proposals or resolutions for possible inclusion in the meeting agenda should send them in writing to the Executive Officer at 1776 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, for receipt *no later than 25 March 1985*, so that they may be considered by the Committee on Council Affairs at its spring meeting. The Committee asks that the following guidelines be observed:

1) All proposals and resolutions should be consistent with the objectives of the Association and deal with matters appropriate for consideration by the council of a scientific organization.

2) Resolutions should be written in the traditional format, beginning with one or more "whereas" statement-of-fact clauses and concluding with a "therefore be it resolved" paragraph which presents a position that follows logically from the stated premises.

3) Proposals and resolutions that deal with technical matters must be accompanied by substantive supporting data and references.

4) Any proposal involving substantial expenditure of AAAS funds—such as a recommendation for the establishment of a study or investigative committee—should be presented in the form of a research proposal, with budget included, so that the financial implications of positive action are clearly stated.

5) All proposals and resolutions

adopted by the Council at its forthcoming meeting will be published in the Proceedings Issue of *Science*. Proponents who wish the AAAS to undertake any wider distribution are requested to submit with their proposals or resolutions the names and addresses of individuals, organizations, or publications to which they would like to have copies sent.

An open hearing will be held by the Committee on Council Affairs at 2:30 p.m. on 27 May in the Westin Bonaventure Hotel to give interested persons an opportunity to speak for or against duly submitted resolutions or proposals.

At a meeting immediately following the hearing, the Committee will consider for possible inclusion in the Council agenda any late proposals or resolutions delivered to the Executive Officer in advance of the hearing, provided they deal with urgent matters and are accompanied by a written explanation of why submission was not made on or before 25 March. The Committee also will review and take appropriate action on requests from persons who wish to address the Council on particular agenda items. Such requests must be delivered to the Executive Officer, William D. Carey, or to the Committee Chair, Gerard Piel, in advance of the 27 May Committee meeting.

Summaries of the Council meeting agenda will be available at the AAAS Information Desks in the Westin Bonaventure Hotel and the Los Angeles Hilton Hotel. The full agenda may be inspected, upon request, in the AAAS offices in the two hotels.

Reminder—Help AAAS Membership Office Stop Repetition

Some AAAS members occasionally receive promotional materials encouraging them to join the Association when they are already members. When this happens members are confused and we are embarrassed. We take great pains to try to ensure that this does not happen and we are asking for your assistance in making our system more effective. The AAAS, like other membership organizations, is not static. To maintain our member base, we must continually recruit new members, more than 25,000 each year.

By far the largest and most effective AAAS recruitment tool we have is the direct mail membership campaign, conducted three times a year. Even though we make every effort to screen out cur-

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