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Officers

Section 1. The Officers of the Congress shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, and a Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 2. The President and the Vice-President shall serve for a term of one year, and the Vice-President shall automatically succeed to the Presidency at the expiration of the President's term, or if a vacancy in said office otherwise occurs.

Section 3. The Secretary-Treasurer shall serve for a term of three years. No officer other than the Secretary-Treasurer shall succeed himself after having served a full term in office.

Section 4. The President, or in his absence, the Vice-President, shall preside at all meetings of the Congress and at all meetings of the Executive Committee. The President shall be the ex-officio member of all Committees.

Section 5. The Secretary - Treasurer of the Congress shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Congress and of the Executive Committee. He shall conduct the correspondence and keep the records and papers of the Congress. He shall

give all notices required by the By-Laws, or by the orders of the Congress, or the President, or the Executive Committee and he shall perform such other duties as the Executive Committee may from time to time assign to him.

He shall collect the initiation fees and annual dues of all members and shall keep the accounts of the Congress and shall have custody of the funds of the Congress. He shall, when called upon by the Executive Committee or the Finance Committee, make a report of the finances of the Congress. He shall pay all bills of the Congress when authorized to do so by the Executive Committee.

Section 6. The immediate Past President shall be an ex-officio member of all Committees, without vote.

Section 7. The Executive Committee shall correspond to a Board of Directors and shall consist of the three officers and six other members elected as hereinafter provided.

Section 8. The officers of the Congress and the other members of the Executive Committee shall be elected at the regular annual meetings of the Congress. The six members of the Executive Committee, who are not officers, shall serve for a term of ~~six~~ ³ years; provided, however, that at the annual meeting in November of 1951, two members shall be elected to serve for three years, and two members shall be elected to serve for two years, and two members shall be elected to

serve for one year, and as the terms of the members so elected expire, their successors shall be elected for the full term of three years.

ARTICLE II

Executive Committee

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall have the general management of the affairs, funds and property of the Congress.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall meet upon the call of the President, or upon the written request of any three members of said Committee.

Section 3. Five members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. The first Executive Committee shall consist of the incorporators, who shall hold office until the first annual meeting of the Congress in November, 1951.

Section 5. Any vacancies on the Executive Committee may be filled by the Executive Committee until the next regular meeting; provided, however, that if a vacancy should occur in the office of Vice-President, then the Vice-President so chosen for the unexpired term shall not automatically succeed to the Presidency at the end of the latter's term unless duly elected as President at the next regular annual meeting.

Section 6. The President, with the approval of the Executive Committee, shall have the power

to appoint all standing Committees, and such other Committees as may be deemed proper, provided, that the Congress itself shall have the power at any meeting of the Congress to provide for and appoint any other Committees.

ARTICLE III

Membership

The members of the Congress shall be the incorporators and such other persons as shall become members in accordance with this Article.

Section 1. The membership may be international in scope, and there shall be no limit upon the number of members.

Section 2. There shall be no restriction upon the age of a member. However, no member shall be elected or appointed as an officer or member of the Executive Committee after reaching the age of forty-five years.

Section 3. To qualify as an active member, one must be a licensed Doctor of Medicine, whose practice is limited to neurological surgery. Further, the applicant for active membership must have:

- (a) Certification by the American Board of Neurological Surgery, or
- (b) Acceptable academic training equivalent to the requirements for the American Board examination, or

(c) Outstanding record in the field of neuro-surgery over a period of years, due to high standard and quality of his work.

Section 4. Honorary membership may be granted to certain other individuals whom the Congress wishes to select, as provided herein, without reference to the foregoing qualifications.

Section 5. Attendance at the regular annual meetings shall be a requirement of membership. Any active member who is absent from two consecutive annual meetings is automatically suspended, unless he has furnished the Membership Committee with a satisfactory written explanation for one of said absences.

Section 6. Each applicant for active membership shall file with the Secretary such information as is necessary to determine his qualifications for membership, and such further information as may be required.

Section 7. The Membership Committee shall thereafter vote upon such application/s, and the Chairman of the Membership Committee shall furnish the Secretary of the Congress a list of all applicants who have been approved by the Membership Committee.

Section 8. After approval by the Membership Committee, as hereinafter provided, the Executive Committee shall vote on said applicant/s, as provided herein.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings and Elections

Section 1. The annual meetings and all other meetings of the Congress shall be held at such hour and at such place as may be designated by the Executive Committee, and due publicity shall be given and each member notified of the time and place of the meeting by written notice at least forty-five days before any such meeting.

Section 2. At the annual meetings of the Congress, the order of business shall be as follows:

- (1) Reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting;
- (2) Report of the Executive Committee;
- (3) Report of the Treasurer or the Finance Committee;
- (4) Report of any Committee;
- (5) Election of officers and other members of the Executive Committee;
- (6) New business;
- (7) Appointment of Special Committees by the President;
- (8) Miscellaneous business.

The foregoing order of business may be changed by a majority vote of the members present.