

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF AMERICA ATHENS – GREECE SOCIETY

BYLAWS

Article I

Name

1.1 The name of this organization shall be the Athens – Greece Society of the Archaeological Institute of America (AIA).

Article II

Affiliation

2.1. The Society is an independent entity.

2.2. The Society is affiliated with the Archaeological Institute of America (hereafter referred to as the AIA or the Institute) through the granting of a charter issued by the AIA after an acceptance vote by the AIA Council.

3.3. The Society has agreed to the following stipulations:

- a) To promote the AIA's mission;
- b) To function within the guidelines of the AIA and not to adopt any regulations that conflict with those of the AIA;
- c) To engage in no activity that would damage the name of the AIA or undermine its mission, including engaging in transactions that remove artifacts from public and scholarly access;
- d) To maintain a membership consisting of a minimum number of persons as required by the AIA.

3.4 The Society understands that failure to follow these stipulations can result in the revoking of its Charter by a vote of the AIA Council. If its Charter is revoked, the Society loses its affiliation with the AIA and the right to use the AIA name.

Article III

Purposes

3.1 The purpose of the Society shall be to promote knowledge and study of, as well as interest in, archaeology and related subjects, and to further the aims and programs of the AIA.

Article IV

Membership and Dues

4.1 The membership of the Society shall consist of residents of Athens, Greece and its suburbs, who are members in good standing of the AIA.

4.2 Members of the AIA who reside outside of this area may hold membership in the Athens – Greece Society providing they remain members in good standing of the AIA.

4.3 The classes of membership shall be prescribed in the Regulations of the AIA.

Article V Administration

5.1 The administration of the Society shall be vested in the following officers: President, Vice President and / or Treasurer and Secretary.

5.2 The President shall be the executive officer of the Society. The President shall call and preside at the meetings of the Society and the Executive Committee, shall carry out the decisions of the Executive Committee and the Society and shall handle the funds of the Society in collaboration with the Vice President - Treasurer. The President shall be responsible for overseeing the lectures and any other activities of the Society. The President shall correspond with lecturers, assist them in local travel and arrange for the hospitality of speakers while in Athens. He or she shall also make arrangements for any other activities of the Society.

5.3 The Vice President shall serve as President in the absence or incapacity of the President. He or she shall assist the President in implementing the plans for lectures, workshops, conferences, receptions and field trips.

5.4 The Secretary shall coordinate membership recruitment in both the lay and academic community, both in Athens and throughout Europe. The Secretary shall keep the membership roster of the Society up-to-date, checking it monthly against the roster sent from the AIA headquarters. The Secretary will also be responsible for the creation and regular maintenance of an internet website and Facebook page for the Society.

5.5 The Treasurer shall handle the funds of the Society in collaboration with the President. He or she shall keep the financial records and transactions of the Society.

5.6 All officers of the Society may appoint committees as provided for by Article 8.3.

5.8 Any vacancy occurring in the offices of Vice President or any other office created by the Executive Committee shall be filled by appointment of the Executive Committee, for the unexpired portion of such term. If the office of President becomes vacant, it shall be filled by the Vice President, or if the Vice President is not available, by the Secretary, for the unexpired portion of the President's term.

Article VI Elections

6.1 The officers shall be either appointed by the President or elected by email ballot. All officers are eligible for re-appointment / re-election.

Article VII Delegates to the Council of the Institute

7.1 In accordance with Article IV of the Regulations of the AIA, the Athens – Greece Society may elect one delegate to the Council of the Institute for its first 25 members and one further delegate for each additional 25 members.

7.2 The Society's delegates shall be appointed by the President.

Article VIII Committees

8.1 The Executive Committee shall be the executive organ of the Society. It shall consist of the President, Vice President and/or Secretary and Treasurer.

8.2 A Nominating Committee shall be appointed annually by the President and the Executive Committee. It shall consist of two members of the Society and shall nominate the list of nominees to serve as officers and delegates for the ensuing year.

8.3 Ad hoc or standing committees may be appointed as necessary by the officers of the Society to help with the fulfillment of their duties. All committees must receive approval of the Executive Committee at its next meeting to remain in force.

Article IX Meetings of the Society

9.1 The meetings of the Society shall present lectures by visiting lecturers and such other programs as the Executive Committee shall consider appropriate, including workshops, conferences, receptions and field trips. Such meetings may be open to the public or may be restricted in attendance to members and guests as decided by the Executive Committee.

9.2 If elections do not occur at a business meeting, the Executive Committee may hold an election of officers and delegates by email ballot. If no business meeting is held, a written report on membership and finances shall be sent to members.

9.3 Other business meetings may be called at any time by the President with the approval of the executive Committee provided seven days notice is given to members.

9.5 If 65% of the members in good standing petition the Executive Committee for the purpose of holding a business meeting, the President shall call a business meeting.

Written notice shall be given of the time and place of such meeting by emailing notices to all members at least seven days prior to the meeting.

Article X
Dissolution

10.1 In the event of dissolution of the Athens – Greece Society, any funds belonging to the Society at the time of dissolution shall, after all debts have been paid, be given to the AIA.

Article XI
Adoption and Amendments

11.1 These bylaws shall be adopted at a meeting of the Executive Committee.

11.2 These bylaws may be amended by email ballot. Alternatively, these bylaws may be amended at any business meeting of the Society provided notices of the meetings and the proposed amendments have been emailed to all members at least seven days before the date of assembly. Amendments shall pass by a two-thirds majority of valid ballots returned.