



Society for Mining, Metallurgy & Exploration

Join us for a Social Meeting

When: Thursday August 24, 6 - 8 PM

Where:

**Miller's Ale House
455 E. Butterfield Road
Lombard, IL 60148**

Discussion about restarting the Section, officer opportunities,
and general networking.

Please review the attached bylaws for discussion in the
meeting.

**Attendees will be responsible for
their own food and drink.**

**Once we get membership interest,
we will begin sponsoring the events.**

Please RSVP to the Email listed below. Walk-ins
always welcome, but a head count helps in
preparation for the evening.

Volunteer - Present talks - Sponsor meetings

BYLAWS

CHICAGO SECTION

THE SOCIETY FOR MINING, METALLURGY, AND EXPLORATION, INC. (SME)
Amended January, 2006

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of the Section shall be the Chicago Section of the Society for Mining, Metallurgy, and Exploration, Inc. (SME).

ARTICLE II

Mission Plan

Section 1. The mission of this Section shall be the promotion of the Mining Industry and the furtherance of the objectives of SME in the Chicago area.

Section 2. The goals and objectives of the Section shall be to assist in maintaining a high level of professionalism among its members, and to promote the mining industry among the population-at-large.

Section 3. The Section plans to achieve the goals and objectives by: 1) holding regular meetings with talks on subjects of interest to the membership; 2) organizing visits to mines, quarries, tunnels, etc.; 3) organizing seminars and/or short courses on pertinent topics; and 4) providing information on the mining industry to local schools.

ARTICLE III

Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of the Section shall encompass the following counties of the states of Illinois and Indiana:

- * Illinois - Cook, Lake, LaSalle, McHenry, DuPage, Will, Kane, Kendall, Boone, DeKalb, Grundy, Livingston, Kankakee, Iroquois, Ford, Vermillion, Champaign, and Winnebago.
- * Indiana - Lake, Porter, and LaPorte.

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ARTICLE IV

Membership

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall comprise the aforementioned Officers and other Members in good standing of the Section appointed by the Chairman with the advice and consent of the Officers. The members of the Executive Committee must be Members in good standing of the Section for at least one (1) year immediately preceding the time of their appointment.

Article IV (Continued)

Section 2. Members in good standing in the Section shall be those that have paid the assessed Section dues for the current year.

ARTICLE V

Officers

Section 1. The Officers of this Section shall comprise a Chairman, Immediate Past Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually. The Chairman may not serve more than five successive terms.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall comprise the aforementioned Officers and other Members in good standing of the Section appointed by the Chairman with the advice and consent of a Quorum of the Officers. The members of the Executive Committee must be Members in good standing of the Section for at least one (1) year immediately preceding the time of their appointment.

Section 3. The Officers must be Members in good standing, of any grade, of SME. The Officers must also be Members in good standing of the Section for at least one (1) year immediately preceding the time of their election.

Section 4. A vacancy occurring in any office between annual elections shall be filled by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VI

Election of Officers

Section 1. The Chairman, with the approval of the Executive Committee, shall appoint not later than March of each year a Nominating Committee, composed of not less than three (3) members of the Chicago Section, to present a slate of at least one (1) candidate for each office at

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the last meeting of this Section before the Summer. Additional nominations may be made from the floor prior to the election during the last [election] meeting before Summer.

Section 2. The officers of this Section shall be elected at the last meeting before the Summer and the election shall be conducted by a vote of the national SME Members of any grade and/or Members of the Section in good standing, present. To be elected, a candidate for an office must receive a majority of the votes of eligible Members present at the meeting.

Section 3. The Manager of Membership Services of SME shall be notified of the slate of officers and committee members as soon as elections have been completed. One of the committee members shall be designated Section Representative, and shall participate in Regional Section activities of SME.

ARTICLE VII

Duties of Officers

Section 1. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Section and of the Executive Committee. He/she shall appoint all committees and perform all other duties that pertain to the direction of the Section.

Section 2. The Vice Chairman shall assist the Chairman as appropriate, and, in the absence of the Chairman, shall serve as Chairman.

Section 3. The Secretary shall record the proceedings of the meetings of the Section and Executive Committee, attend to all correspondence, and issue all calls for, and announcements of meetings.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall handle all financial transactions of the Section (receipts and disbursements) with the approval of the Executive Committee. He/she shall keep records of all transactions in a Journal and post them to the various accounts at monthly intervals. The records shall be submitted for an annual audit by a committee named by the Chairman. He/she shall submit an annual financial statement to SME Headquarters.

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ARTICLE VIII

Dues and Finances

Section 1. The expenses of the Section shall be paid from monies appropriated by the Executive Committee, and derived from assessed Section dues paid by Members in good standing and other sources as approved by the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Accounts payable shall be paid by check issued by the Treasurer, Chairman or Vice-Chairman. Countersignature by one of the others is preferred.

ARTICLE IX

Meetings

Section 1. The annual meeting of the Section for the election of officers shall be the last meeting before Summer.

Section 2. Regular meetings of the Section shall be held not less than four times during the year at times and places as designated by the Executive Committee.

Section 3. Special meetings of the Section or of the Executive Committee to consider important business, or to hear technical papers or discussions that cannot be scheduled at regular meetings, may be called by the Chairman, with the approval of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X

Quorum

Section 1. At any regular or special meeting of the Section, a Quorum shall consist of ten Members of SME of any grade and/or members of the Section in good standing.

Article X (Continued)

Section 2. At a meeting of the Executive Committee, a Quorum shall consist of the Chairman, or Vice Chairman, plus three other members of the Executive Committee.

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ARTICLE XI

Amendments to Bylaws

Amendments to these Bylaws shall be made by a two-thirds vote of all SME Members of any grade and/or members of the Section in good Standing present at a meeting, provided that all Members in good standing of the Section have been notified, at least one week in advance of the meeting, that the Bylaws are to be amended.

ARTICLE XII

Disposal of Funds on Dissolution

On dissolution of this Section, all funds remaining after payments of its debts and obligations shall be turned over and paid to the Society for Mining, Metallurgy, and Exploration, Inc. (SME), or in the case of its dissolution, to another organization exempted from taxes under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. This article of the Bylaws is not amendable during the existence of this Section.

ARTICLE XIII

Parliamentary Authority

The current (1981 or more recent) edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall be the official guide of this Section in conducting business.