Membership Agreement

Articles of Incorporation of the Japanese Society for Food Science and Technology (Excerpt parts)

Chapter 1 General Provisions

(Name)
Article 1 This corporation shall be referred to as the Japan Society for Food Science and Technology, a public-interest corporation.

(Office)
Article 2 This corporation shall be put its principal office in Tsukuba city, Ibaraki prefecture.

   2. The secondary office shall be placed on the necessary land by resolution of the Board of Directors.

Chapter 2 Purpose and Business

(Purpose)
Article 3 This corporation aims to contribute to the development of science, technology, culture and improvement of the diet of the people by promoting presentation, communication and cooperation of research on food science and technology, together with dissemination of research results and information provision.

(Business)
Article 4 This corporation shall conduct the following projects in order to achieve the purpose of the preceding article.

   (1) Holding academic lectures and research sessions
   (2) Publication of journals and books
   (3) Award of research achievement on food science and technology
   (4) Strengthening collaboration among researchers and engineers in food science and technology related fields
   (5) Investigation, collection of information and analysis on food science and technology
   (6) Other activities necessary to achieve the purpose of this corporation

2. The project set forth in the preceding paragraph shall be conducted in Japan and abroad.

Chapter 3 Employee

(Corporate members)
Article 5 Make the following members to this corporation.

   (1) Regular Member: Individual residing in Japan who has an interest in food science and technology and who agreed with the aims of the corporation upon joining
   (2) Supporting Member: Individual, corporation or organization supporting the business of this corporation
   (3) Honorary Member: Individual who has made outstanding contributions to the Society or individual with an excellent academic expert who is nominated at the General Meeting of Employees
   (4) Student Member: Individual residing in Japan with a student ID of a university or equivalent school
   (5) International Member: Individual residing abroad who is not a Japanese national

2 An employee of this corporation shall be a delegate elected from among approximately 30 regular members, based on the Act on General Incorporated Associations and General Incorporated Foundations (hereinafter referred to as "Corporation Law"). (The handling of the fractions shall be determined by the Board of Directors.)

3 The delegates election shall be carried out by regular members. The detailed rules necessary for conducting the delegates election are determined by the Board of Directors.

4 Delegates usually need to be elected from regular members. Regular members can run for delegate elections in the preceding paragraph.

5 In delegate elections in paragraph 3, regular members have the right to elect delegates equal to other regular members. A director or board of directors shall not elect delegates.

6. Election of the delegates in paragraph 3 shall be held once every two years by the end of January and the term of office of delegates shall be from April 1 of the same year up to the end of March after two years. However, if a delegate has filed an action for rescission of a resolution of the general meeting of members, an action for dissolution, an action for pursuing responsibility, and an action for dismissal of officers (Article 266 Paragraph 1, Article 268, Article 278, Article 284 of the Corporation Law) (Including the case where a request for filing an action prescribed in Article 278, Paragraph 1 of the Corporate Act is made.), the delegate shall not lose its position as a delegate until the suit is concluded (Such delegates shall not have voting rights regarding the election and dismissal of officers (Article 63 and Article 70 of the Corporation Law) and the amendment of the articles of incorporation (Article 146 of the Corporation Law).

7. It shall be possible to appoint a delegate of the substitute in preparation for cases when delegates are missing or when the number of delegates is lacking. Substitute delegates shall be the runner-up of the delegate election. The term of office of a substitute delegate shall be until the expiration of the term of office of the delegate who retired before the expiration of the term of office.
8. The effective period during which the resolution pertaining to the appointment of a substitute delegate of the preceding paragraph shall be from April 1 of the year when the delegate election took place, until the end of March two years later.

9. Regular members as well as employees shall be able to exercise the rights of the following employees stipulated in the Corporate Law to this corporation.
   (1) Right under Article 14, Paragraph 2 of the Corporation Law (inspection of the articles of incorporation, etc.)
   (2) Right of Article 32, Paragraph 2 of the Corporate Law (viewing of employee list, etc.)
   (3) Right of Article 57, Paragraph 4 of the Corporate Law (viewing of minutes of the General Meeting of Employees, etc.)
   (4) Right of Article 50, Paragraph 6 of the Corporate Law (such as viewing of employee's proxy right certificate etc.)
   (5) Right of Article 51, Paragraph 4 of the Corporate Law and Article 52, Paragraph 5 (viewing of voting rights exercise statement, etc.)
   (6) Right of Article 129, Paragraph 3 of the Corporate Law (viewing of financial statements etc.)
   (7) Rights of Article 229, Paragraph 2 of the Corporate Law (inspection of the balance sheet of the liquidation corporation, etc.)
   (8) Rights of Article 246, Paragraph 3, Article 250, Paragraph 3 and Article 256, Paragraph 3 of the Corporate Act (inspection of merger agreement etc.)

10. When a director or auditor fails to fulfill its duties, he or she shall be responsible for compensating damages caused by this to the corporation. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 112 of the Corporation Law, this responsibility shall not be relieved unless all regular members agree.

(Acquisition of membership qualification)
Article 6 Any person who intends to become a member of this corporation shall make an application and obtain its approval as prescribed by the Board of Directors. However, a honorary member shall not need to apply for membership. The honorary member shall become a member by consent of the personel and shall not be necessary to pay the membership fee.

2. When subjected to the approval set forth in the preceding paragraph, the President of this corporation shall notify the membership applicant.

(Burden of expenses)
Article 7 Members shall pay the membership fee specified separately at the General Meeting of Employees at the time of enrollment and annually in order to devote to the expenses normally incurred in the business activities of this corporation.

2. Paid membership fee shall not be refunded in any case.

(Voluntary withdrawal)
Article 8 Members shall be able to withdraw at any time by submitting a Notice of Withdrawal separately specified by the Board of Directors.

(Expulsion)
Article 9 When a member falls under any of the following cases, the member shall be expelled by a resolution of the General Meeting of Employees.
   (1) When in violation of these Articles of Incorporation and other regulations
   (2) When damaging the honor of this corporation or acting contrary to purpose
   (3) When there is a justifiable reason to be excluded

(Loss of membership)
Article 10 In addition to the case of the preceding two Articles, members shall lose their memberships when they fall under any of the following cases.
   (1) When the payment obligation of Article 7 has not been fulfilled for more than one year
   (2) When the delegates agree
   (3) When the death of the member or the corporation is dissolved
Articles of Incorporation of the Japanese Society for Food Science and Technology,
Detailed description (Excerpt parts)

Chapter 1 Member

Article 1 Regular Members specified in Article 5 (1) of the Articles of Incorporation shall be as follows.
(1) Individual who agreed with the aims of the corporation upon joining
(2) Permanent Member: Regular Member who is aged 80 years or above
(3) Lifetime Member: Regular Member who is nominated at the General Meeting of Employees

Article 2 The supporting members specified in Article 5 (2) of the Articles of Incorporation shall be as follows.
(1) Organization Membership: Entity or organization (including corporations) that pays the Organization Membership fee
(2) Sustaining Membership: Individual, entity or organization (including corporations) that pays the Sustaining Membership fee

Article 3 Among the Regular members, Student members and International Members stipulated in Articles 5 (1), (4), (5) of the Articles of Incorporation, online members are persons who browse Journal of the Japanese Society for Food Science and Technology (hereinafter referred to as "Japanese Journal") or Food Science and Technology Research (hereinafter referred to as "English Journal") online only.

Article 4 Members shall enjoy the following benefits.
(1) Regular Members, International Members, Student Members (including Online Members) and Honorary Members shall be able to give presentations or discussions at research meetings and lectures of this Academic Society.
(2) Regular Members, International Members, Student Members (including Online Members) and Honorary Members shall be able to submit a paper in Japanese Journal according to posting regulations separately defined.
(3) Members (except for Online Members) shall receive the distribution of academic journals.
(4) Members (including Online Members) with membership qualification are able to participate in various events performed by this Academic Society.
(5) Members are able to receive survey report, information provision, certification and other convenience on food science and technology.
(6) With regard to Organization Members and Sustaining Members, (1) and (4) shall be applied only to representatives or persons nominated by their representatives. However, the number of people applying (1) shall be one per Organization Membership and two persons per Sustaining Membership (1 unit).

Article 5 When members have changed their address and affiliation, etc, they shall notify the Board of Directors immediately.

2 When organizations that are Supporting Memberships have changed their representatives, they shall immediately notify the President of this corporation.
Article 6 The membership fee specified in Article 7 of the Articles of Incorporation shall be as follows per year.

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2 Honorary Members, Lifetime Members and Permanent Members shall not need to pay membership fees.

Article 7 The membership fee for one year shall be paid by the deadline stipulated by the Board of Directors.

Article 8 50% or more expenditure of Sustaining Membership expenses shall be used to public interest projects.