JSLAB Bylaws

Section 1 Members

Article 1 Regular members, student members, and supporting members as well as honorary members can receive distribution of the JSLAB Journal published by this society.

2. Members that join partway through the fiscal year cannot in principle receive issues of the JSLAB Journal published before they joined.

Article 2 Regular members, student members, and supporting members as well as honorary members can participate in the various activities that this society holds, submit to JSLAB Journal, the academic society journal published by this society, as well as the Bioscience of Microbiota, Food and Health, and give research presentations at the convention.

Article 3 Payment of the membership fee will be in principle carried out in the business year concerned.

- 2. Members that join partway through the fiscal year are to pay the full amount of that year's membership fee.
- 3. The membership fees are as listed below (subscription charge is included in the membership fee).

Full member Annual fee 6,000 yen

Student member Annual fee 2,000 yen

Supporting member Annual fee per share 50,000 yen

Honorary member No membership fee will be collected

4. Changes to the amount of the annual fee must be determined by resolution at the general meeting based on Article 7 of the constitution.

Section 2 Board of Directors

Article 4 The Board of Directors will, in addition to handling matters stipulated in the constitution, deliberate on the following matters.

- (1) Selection of JSLAB awards as well as JSLAB Outstanding Presentation Award winners
- (2) Recommendation of honorary member candidates to the general meeting
- (3) Matters concerning the operation of this organization

Section 3 Selection of officers/trustees

Article 5 Selection of officers/trustees will be carried out as follows.

- 1. The president will select 3 members from among the regular members, and commission them as Election Administration Committee members. The Election Administration Committee members will handle election affairs in the form of a committee. The office for election administration work will be the academic society secretariat.
- 2. 1 person will have 1 vote, ... 10 people... and the ballot shall be sent by mail.
- 3. A trustee cannot be selected 3 times consecutively. The name of someone with a conflict to this limit will be announced.

- 4. Between 20 and 30 members will be selected in order of those who received the most votes. When members receive the same number of votes, a ranking will be determined in accordance with election guidelines determined separately in a committee.
- 5. The term of the Election Committee members will be from September of the fiscal year before the trustee re-election fiscal year until the assumption of the new trustee.
- 6. Election of the trustees will be carried out in the period after September until March of the fiscal year before the trustee re-election fiscal year.
- 7. The cost required for the election of the trustees will be appropriated by the Board of Directors in the budget of the fiscal year preceding the election.

Article 6 Selection of the officers will be carried out as follows.

- 1. The president will entrust the selection of next term officers to the Trustee Committee.
- 2. The Trustee Committee will organize as the Officer Selection Committee comprised of a few trustees, and will select between 10 and 15 directors and 2 auditors from among the regular members and report to the president.
- 3. Based on the report the president will nominate new officers, and determine them through discussion at the general meeting.
- 4. The president will convene the new directors after the general meeting, and the new Board of Directors will determine the new president as well as the new vice president.

Section 4 Committees

Article 7 This society will establish various committees as necessary in order to conduct the activities described in Article 4 of the constitution.

Article 8 Details such as the name of the committee, the composition of the members, and the term of existence for the committee will be determined by the Board of Directors.

Article 9 Based on the determination of the Board of Directors, the president will appoint committee members from among regular members.

Article 10 A committee chair is to be appointed by the committee members. The committee chair will be the person in charge and preside over the committee.

Section 5 Commendations

Article 11 Based on Article 4 Section 3 of the constitution, this society has established the JSLAB Award (hereafter referred to as the Academic Society Award") and the JSLAB Outstanding Presentation Award (hereafter referred to as the Presentation Award").

Article 12 The Academic Society Award will be granted to a regular member of this society who has achieved outstanding research results concerning lactic acid bacteria etc. and is expected to play an even greater role in the future.

2. The Presentation Award will be granted to a student member or a young regular member who has made an outstanding presentation at the convention without outstanding research concerning lactic acid bacteria.

Article 13 The JSLAB commendation regulations will be decided separately through discussion with the Board of Directors.

Section 6 Recommendation of honorary members

Article 14 As determined in Article 5 Section 4 of the constitution, candidates for honorary members will be selected in the Board of Directors and recommended to the general meeting.

Article 15 Honorary member recommendation regulations will be determined separately through discussion by the Board of Directors.

Section 7 Convention

Article 16 As stipulated in Article 4 Section 1 of the constitution, this society will hold a research presentation or symposium as a convention at least once each year.

Article 17 The president will, after discussion with the Board of Directors, commission a convention president each time this convention is held.

Section 8 Journal

Article 18 Based on Article 4 Section 2 in the constitution, this society will publish a journal.

Article 19 The journal, in the form of the JSLAB Journal, will publish such items as original scientific papers, review articles, and official announcements, and there will be three issues a year.

Article 20 Submissions to the bulletin will be according to regulations determined separately.

Article 21 Bulletin donations, exchange as well as other measures will take place by discussion of the Board of Directors.

Article 22 Domestic libraries and organizations that wish to subscribe to the JSLAB Journal on annual basis should pay an annual subscription fee of 6000 yen and submit an application during the previous fiscal year.

Section 9 Miscellaneous regulations

Article 23 Changes to these by-laws can be implemented through discussion by the Board of Directors.

Supplementary provision These regulations were set and made effective on July 7, 2006.

- 2. Revised on April 1, 2012
- 3. Effective on July 18, 2014