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JUNE 17, 18, 19, 1968

BYLAWS

NEW ENGLAND AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS COUNCIL

ARTICLE I

Membership

- Section 1. Voting Members. Any person interested in the purpose of the Council may become a member by payment of annual dues of \$2.00.
- Section 2. Nonvoting Members and Subscribers. Any college undergraduate or graduate student interested in the purpose of the Council may become a member by payment of annual dues of \$1.00.
- Section 3. Honorary Life Membership. This membership shall be based upon outstanding service and contributions to the New England Agricultural Economics Council and the furtherance of its purposes. The Executive Committee shall select the honorary life members and they shall be announced at each annual meeting. The Honorary Life Members shall have all voting rights and privileges of General Membership.

ARTICLE II

Meetings

- Section 1. Annual Professional Meeting. An Annual Meeting of the Council shall be held at a time and location selected by the Executive Committee. Each Annual Meeting shall be sponsored by a host institution. The host institution shall be responsible for preparing the program and sending copies to all Council members.
- Section 2. Annual Business Meeting. An Annual Business Meeting of the Council shall be held at the time of the Annual Meeting.
- Section 3. Executive Committee Meeting. The Executive Committee shall meet once a year prior to the Annual Meeting, but may meet more often. These meetings shall be called by the Chairman.
- Section 4. Special Committee Meetings. Meetings of special committees shall be called by the respective Chairman.

ARTICLE III

Officers and Committees

- Section 1. Officers. The officers of the Council shall consist of a Chairman and a Secretary-Treasurer elected from and by the Members of the Council at the Annual Business Meeting. Terms for both officers shall be one year and both shall be eligible for reelection. In

the event an office is vacated, the Executive Committee shall appoint one of its members to fill the vacancy until the next Annual Business Meeting. Officers shall serve without compensation from the Council.

- Section 2. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee of the Council shall consist of the Chairman and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Council; and the Head of each Department of Agricultural Economics at the six New England Land Grant colleges or his representative; and one representative selected from among the Heads of Departments of Agricultural Economics at Nova Scotia Agricultural College, Macdonald College, and Laval University; and one agricultural economist from the USDA selected jointly by the Director, Agricultural Economics, and the Administrator of the Federal Extension Service. The Chairman and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Council shall fill the same offices on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee members shall serve without compensation from the Council.
- Section 3. Duties of Officers. The Chairman shall preside at business meetings of the Council and the Executive Committee and shall call all meetings of the Executive Committee. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a complete record of all business meetings of the Council and of the Executive Committee, shall receive all dues and other income of the Council and pay authorized Council expenses, shall keep the financial records of the Council, and shall conduct business correspondence of the Council.
- Section 4. Duties of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall conduct the affairs of the Council between Annual Meetings, and decisions shall be by majority vote. Each year the Executive Committee shall vote sums of money for expenses of the Annual Meeting and for publication of the "Proceedings" and "News". They shall designate a New England Agricultural Economics Department each year to prepare the "News" and mail it to all members of the Council. Prior to the Annual Meeting the Executive Committee shall appoint a special Nominating Committee of three and a special Audit Committee of three from the Membership.
- Section 5. Special Committees. Special committees appointed as needed on a temporary basis may be set up by the Council at the Annual Business Meeting or by the Executive Committee. Each special committee shall make a report at the Annual Business Meeting.

ARTICLE IV

Publications

- Section 1. Proceedings. The Council shall publish annually the "Proceedings" of the Annual Meeting. It shall be the responsibility of the host institution to prepare the "Proceedings" and mail them to all members of the Council. Cost of preparation and mailing shall be borne by the Council.

Section 2. News. The Council shall publish annually the "New England Agricultural Economics News" containing short statements on education and research activities pertaining to economic and social problems of agriculture and its relation to the rest of the economy. Cost of preparation and mailing shall be borne by the Council.

ARTICLE V

Voting and Election of Officers

Section 1. Voting Rights. All persons holding Membership in the Council shall vote.

Section 2. Election of Officers. The special Nominating Committee shall report and nominate one candidate for each office and any Member may nominate additional candidates. Each office shall be voted on separately by secret ballot.

Section 3. Procedure. A majority vote of those Members present at an Annual Meeting is sufficient to elect officers and to pass or reject any motion. To act on proposed changes to these Bylaws or the Constitution of the Council a quorum of one-half of the Members shall be present. Voting on motions other than elections of officers shall be by voice except that the Chairman may ask for a hand vote and any member may request a secret ballot.

Section 4. Quorum of the Executive Committee. A quorum shall be half of the Executive Committee at a called meeting, or those members present at an adjourned Executive Committee meeting called with at least one week's notice not less than one week or more than one month after the called meeting when a quorum was not present.

ARTICLE VI

Fiscal Year and Audits

Section 1. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Council shall begin on July 1 and end on June 30.

Section 2. Audit. The financial records of the Council shall be audited at the Annual Meeting by the special Audit Committee. The Audit Committee Chairman shall report the results of the audit to the Council at the Annual Business Meeting.

ARTICLE VII

Ammendments

Section 1. Voting. These bylaws may be altered or amended or any section thereof may be repealed only at an Annual Business Meeting by a majority vote provided half of the Membership is present. If half

of the membership is not present at the Annual Meeting, a mail ballot to all Members will be used and the returned ballots shall be deciding.

Section 2. Eligibility. To be eligible for consideration at an Annual Business Meeting, any proposed alteration or amendment of these bylaws must be furnished to the Chairman and Secretary at least two weeks before the Annual Meeting of the Council, and they must make it available to Members in written form at least 12 hours before the Annual Business Meeting.

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGE, NEAEC 1968

The Executive Committee of the New England Agricultural Economics Council proposes the following amendment to the Bylaws of the Council:

Article VI, Section 1.

The fiscal year of the Council shall begin on January first and end on December thirty-first.

(At the present time, our fiscal year runs from July first through June thirtieth).