

By-Laws,  
Of the San Diego Marine Biological Association

## I

The undersigned hereby form themselves into an organization to be called the Marine Biological Association of San Diego, for the purpose of securing the foundation and endowment of a scientific institution to be known as the San Diego Marine Biological Institution.

## II

The general purposes of the institution shall be to carry out a biological and hydrographic survey of the waters of the Pacific Ocean adjacent to the coast of Southern California; to build and maintain a public aquarium and museum; and to prosecute such other kindred undertakings as the Board of Trustees may from time to time deem it wise to enter upon.

## III

The founding of the institution having

been perfected and its endowment secured, the whole or such part thereof as may in the judgment of the Trustees seem best, shall, under such conditions as the Trustees may impose, be transferred to the Regents of the University of California, to become a department of the University co-ordinate with its already existing departments.

#### IV

The officers of the Association shall be a president, vice-president, scientific director, secretary, and treasurer. In addition there shall be a Board of Trustees consisting of seven members, three of whom shall be the president, vice-president, and scientific director.

#### V

The officers of the Association shall be elected at its first regular meeting and at each annual meeting of the Association thereafter. The annual meeting shall be held on the second Tuesday of July of each year. Should a quorum fail to be present at any annual meeting, a less number may adjourn from time to time until a quorum

is obtained. The officers shall hold office for one year and until their successors shall have been duly elected.

VI

The Trustees shall have power to fill vacancies in the offices arising from any cause. It shall be their duty to carry out the purposes of the Association. They shall have full control of all funds of the Association and the management of the institution. They shall make a full report of all moneys received and disbursed and of the affairs of the institution at each annual meeting. They shall have the power to elect new members of the Association, a majority of the Trustees being requisite for such election. The President or any three members of the board shall have the power to call a special meeting of the board or of the general Association at any time on two days notice, and special meetings of the Association may be called on the written request of one-half the membership of the Association, ten days notice of such meeting having been given.

## VII.

Ten members of the Association shall constitute a quorum.

## VIII

The Board of Trustees may at any time fix a limit to the number members of the Association, provided however, that this limit shall never be less than the charter membership of the Association.

## IX

These by-laws may be amended <sup>by a two-thirds vote</sup> at any regular or special meeting of the Association, notice of the proposed amendment having been mailed to each member of the Association at least fifteen days before the date of the meeting at which the vote on said amendment is to be taken.