Regulations for fellow nomination

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(Intent)

Article 1 This System shall be carried out as a part of the membership system of this Institute in accordance with the intent of Section 4, Article 2 of the Regulations of the IEICE. The Institute grows and serves society at large through the vigorous activities of its members. It is founded on contributions made by its members to the Institute through pioneering accomplishments in academic and technical areas, through the provision of education and technical guidance to cultivate human resources who will play active roles in the Institute, through achievement of the spread of technology by leading technical development, and through vigorous participation in the business activities of the Institute. While the Institute embraces a deep feeling of gratitude and a deep sense of respect for these contributions, this System has been established to award the title of Fellow to senior members who are recognized for outstanding contributions, in order to express the Institute's gratitude explicitly. The awarding of
fellow grade signifies not only our sense of esteem and gratitude for the past contributions of the awardees but also our hope that they will continue to lead the Institute activities, thereby also serving society at large.

Article 2 [Deleted]

(Selection procedures)
Article 3 With regards a Society not entitled to elect a Director, the provisions for the election and nomination in each Society in these regulations shall apply to the Society that jointly operates with said Society and has had its joint operation with said Society and its right to elect a Director approved by the Board of Directors.

2. Fellow candidates shall be selected by the Fellow Recommendation Committee set up in each Society. The names of the candidates shall be submitted using a recommendation form that has been defined by the Fellow Nomination Committee set up under the Board of Directors. The composition of the Fellow Recommendation Committee and fellow candidate selection procedures shall be stipulated by each Society.

(Nominators)
Article 4 Nominators shall submit recommendations to the Fellow Recommendation Committee of each Society using an approved recommendation form. The nominator shall select one of the following categories as the most outstanding contribution of the candidate:

A: Engineering or scientific pioneer
B: Educator
C: Leader in technical development
D: Promoter of Institute activities

2. In principle, the qualification for a nominator is being a member for a total of ten years or more, honorary member, or overseas section representative. The total number of years of the above membership shall be calculated as of June 30, the deadline for submission of recommendations as specified in Article 6. Twelve months shall be considered one year, and any fraction thereof shall be rounded down. There shall be at least one nominator for each recommendation. No self-recommendation is permitted.

Persons who currently (or are designated to) hold the following positions as of June 30, the deadline for submission of recommendations, cannot be nominators:

- Member of the decision-making organization of the same society as the candidate
- Chair or member of the Fellow Recommendation Committee in the same society
as the candidate

(References)
Article 5 So as to maintain consistency within the entire Institute, recommendations of candidates from a Society shall be accompanied by evaluation forms filled in by three or more References who are in a position to be able to judge the accomplishments of the candidate accurately. The three References shall be selected from institutions other than that of the candidate. However, if this is not possible, References from the same institution are permitted.

A Reference shall be an Honorary Member or Fellow of this Institute. However, persons who currently (or are designated to) hold the following positions as of June 30, the deadline for submission of recommendations, cannot be References:

- Directors
- Chair or member of the Fellow Nomination Committee
- Member of the decision making body of the same Society as the candidate
- Chair or member of the Fellow Recommendation Committee of the same Society as the candidate

2. References shall make their evaluation not only for the category selected by the nominator in Article 4 but also for any other category in which they consider the contribution of the candidate to be outstanding.

(Period of the acceptance of recommendation)
Article 6 Nomination forms and required number of Reference forms shall be submitted separately by Nominators and References. Only those nomination forms that arrive at the Headquarters Office between April 1 and June 30 (they may be postmarked that day), shall be reviewed by the Fellow Recommendation Committee.

(Fellow Recommendation Committee)
Article 7
The Fellow Recommendation Committee shall review recommendations from the following viewpoints.

1. Contributions in the capacity of an engineering or scientific pioneer, an educator, a leader in technical development, or a promoter of Institute activities (multiple capacities are accepted)

2. Specific materials showing the accomplishments (scientific papers, patents, and other documents and materials that can be made public)
(3) Outstanding activities in other Institutes (including those performed outside the Society to which the nominator belongs)

2. The maximum number of recommendations from each Society shall be governed by the limit defined in Article 10.

(Fellow Nomination Committee)
Article 8 The Fellow Nomination Committee shall be set up under the Board of Directors as the institution that conducts the coordination and final review of Fellow candidates. The Fellow Nomination Committee shall request each Society to submit recommendations of Fellows. It conducts coordination and review of Fellow candidates based on the recommendations from each Society, reports the review results to the Board of Directors, and receives its approval. The composition of the Fellow Nomination Committee shall be defined separately.

(Presentation of Fellow certificates)
Article 9 Members who have been certified to be Fellows shall be presented with the certificate of Fellow grade, in principle, by the President of the Institute at the General Conference.

(Maximum number of Fellows)
Article 10 The number of Fellows certified each year shall not exceed 0.1% of the number of members in each society (the number of 0.1% is rounded to a whole number). 2. However, in cases where the recommendation from a Society includes candidates whose categories of contribution as selected by the nominator are C (Leader in technical development) or D (Promoter of Institute activities), 0.12% may be used instead of 0.1% in calculating the maximum number of Fellows certified each year.

(Additional provision)
1) Amendment of these regulations shall be approved by the Board of Directors. These regulations shall come into effect from April 24, 2000.
2) Alteration of these regulations shall be applied from October 25, 2001.
3) Alteration of these regulations shall be applied from May 25, 2002.
4) Alteration of these regulations shall be applied from May 19, 2003.
5) Alteration of these regulations shall be applied from July 22, 2004.
6) Alteration of these regulations shall be applied from April 18, 2006.
(7) Alteration of these regulations shall be applied from July 23, 2007.
(8) Alteration of these regulations shall be applied from May 27, 2008.
(9) Alteration of these regulations shall be applied from October 1, 2009.
(10) Alteration of these regulations shall be applied from July 23, 2012.
(11) Alteration of these regulations shall be applied from July 22, 2013.
(12) Alteration of these regulations on April 20, 2015 shall be applied for the awarding
of Fellows in 2016 and later.
(13) Alteration of these regulations on September 29, 2015 shall be applied for the
nomination of Fellows in 2016 and later.
(14) Alteration of these regulations on December 18, 2017 shall be applied for the
nomination of Fellows in 2018 and later.
(15) Alteration of these regulations on December 17, 2018 shall be applied for the
nomination of Fellows in 2019 and later.
(16) Alteration of these regulations on December 16, 2020 shall be applied for the
nomination of Fellows in 2021 and later.