6. <u>Membership</u>:

Full membership shall be open to all members of the academic staff of the University of Adelaide, graduates and undergraduates in science, and all students who are enrolled in at least one subject prescribed for the ordinary degree in the schedules of the Bachelor of Science, who are members of the Union, and they shall be classified as Full Members upon payment of the Association membership fee.

Associate membership shall be open to all other persons and they shall be classed as Associate Members upon payment of the Association

membership fee.

All academic staff members of the Faculties shall be Honorary Associate members.

6.4 In this Constituen:

6.4.1. "Voting member" shall mean a member who is a Full Member or a Fellow or an Honorary Life Member.

6.4.2 ''Non Voting Member'' shall mean a member who is an Associate

Member or an Honorary Associate Member.

6.4.3 ''Member'' shall mean a member who is either a Voting Member or a Non Voting Member.

7. Committee:

The Committee shall consist of:

7.1 The Immediate Past President who shall be an ex-officio voting member of the Committee.

7.2 The following voting members hwo shall be elected to the Committee at the A.G.M.:

7.2.1 President;

7.2.2 Vice-President:

7.2.3 Honorary Secretary;

7.2.4 Honorary Treasurer;

7.2.5 Honorary Assistant Secretary;

7.2.6 Honorary Assistant Treasurer:

7.2.7 Sufficient members that the Committee shall have fifteen (15) voting members, provided that these shall include at least three (3) males, three (3) females, and three (3) first year students at the time of election.

7.3 The Committee shall in the following academic year co-opt by the end of the fourth week of the first term a further three (3) voting members, these to be first-year students at the time of co-option.

7.4 Any Member who is a member of the Executive of the CSA shall be an invited ex-officio member of the Committee, but shall be a non-voting member unless a member of the Committee by virtue of clauses 7.1, 7.2 or 7.3 above.

7.5 All of the above members of the Committee shall be Voting Members at the time of their election or co-option to the Committee.

8. Powers and Duties of the Committee:

8.1 The Committee shall abide by the Constitution and regulations of the CSA as applied to Clubs and Societies.

The Committee shall at all times be subject to decision of a General Meeting of the Association.

8.3 The Committee shall have the power to make regulations necessary to put into effect this Constitution, provided such Regulations are not inconsistent with the Objects of the Association.

The Committee shall have the power to conduct activities in the name of the Association, and shall be responsible for arranging all the activities of the Association.

The Committee shall have the power to set up such standing committees and sub-committees as shall from time to time be deemed desirable. The duties and composition of such committees shall be decided by the Committee.

The committee shall have the power to fill any casual vacancy created during it's term of office, following the AGM, subject to confirmation at the next General Meeting of the Association.

8.7 The Committee shall elect such officers as shall from time to time be deemed necessary, to include a Bulletin Editor.

9. Powers and Duties of the Executive:

- 9.1 The Executive shall have the power to make recommendations to the Committee.
- 9.2 The Executive shall have the power to act in an emergency without first obtaining the approval of the Committee, such action to be reported to the next meeting of the Committee, provided that the Committee may dissent with the decision of the Executive.
- 9.3 The treasurer shall receive all monies from subscriptions or other sources and shall disburse same for or on account of the Association.
- 9.4 The delegate of the Association to the CSA shall be the Honorary Assistant Treasurer.
- 9.5 The President shall speak on behalf of the Association provided that any statement be reported to the Executive, which may confirm, reverse or vary such statement.

10. Termination of Membership of the Association:

- Any member of the Association may be expelled, suspended or otherwise penalised by a resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of the voting members of the Committee, subject to ratification at the next General Meeting, if in the opinion of the Committee, such member has been guilty of conduct in any manner detrimental to the interest of the Association.
- Any Member of the Assocation shall cease to be a Member upon receipt by the Honorary Secretary of a written notice of resignation signed by such Member.

11. Termination of Membership of the Committee:

A member of the Committee shall cease to be a member on the occurrence of any of the following:

- Upon acceptance by the Committee of a written notice or resignation signed by such member.
- 11.2 Upon ceasing to be a Member of the Association.
- Upon absence from three (3) consecutive Committee meetings without leave granted by the Committee.

12. Committee Meetings:

12.1 The term of office of the Committee shall begin on a date within

three (3) weeks of the Annual General Meeting agreed on by the President and President elect.

The Committee shal meet at least once a month during the academic year.

The quorum for a Committee meeting shall be ten (10) voting members of the Committee.

13. <u>General Meetings</u>:

- Only voting Members of the Assocation shall be eligible to vote in any election of the Association.
- Proxy votes and absentee votes shall not be admitted at any meeting of the Assocation.
- Any General meeting of the Association shall abide by the Standing Orders and Rules of Debate used by the Committee.
- The quorum for any general Meeting of the Association shall be fifteen (15) Voting Members.

14. Executive Meetings:

- 14.1 The Executive shall report to the Committee at every ordinary Committee meeting.
- The Executive may invite such guests, observers or consultants to attend it's meetings as it shall from time to time determine.
- Meetings of the Executive shall normally be held in open session. The Executive may resolve to hold debate on matters that are of a private or confidential nature in camera.
- 14.4 The chair of the meetings of the Executive shall be:
 - 14.4.1 The President;
 - 14.4.2 The Secretary, in the absence of the President.
- The meeting of the Executive shall be held at least ten (10) academic days before:
 - 14.5.1 Committee Meetings
 - 14.5.2 General Meetings
 - 14.5.3 Special General Meetings
- 14.6 The Executive shall meet at such intervals as it may from time to time determine for the transaction of business, but in any case at least once before the meetings as specified under clause 14.5.
- The quorum for the Executive meetings shall be four (4) members of the Executive.
- Any vacancy in the Executive shall be filled as specified under clause 8.6.

15. Annual General Meetings:

An Annual General Meeting shall be held before the fourth (4th) week of third term for the following purposes:

15.1.1 To receive reports on the years activities from:

15.1.1.1 The President

15.1.1.2 The Secretary

15.1.1.3 The Treasurer

15.1.1.4 Such other members or committees as the Committee shall see fit.

15.1.2	To receive the audited financial statement (the financia
	year ending nore more than two (2) weeks before the AGM)

15.1.3 To elect the following officers:

15.1.3 (i) A patron, who shall be either a member of the academic staff of the Faculties, or a graduate member of the Association.

15.1.3 (ii) Three (3) Vice Patrons.

15.1.3 (iii) Such members of the Committee as specified under clauses 7.2 and 7.3 above.

15.1.4 To discuss any other business duly brought before the meeting.

- In the event of insufficient nominations being received at the Annual General Meeting, the Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy by co-option, subject to ratification by a General Meeting of the Association.
- 15.3 Voting for the elections at the AGM shall be by secret ballot.
- Voting for President, Vice-President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer shall be by the preferential exclusion system.
- The Committee shall elect from among themselves a member to act as Returning Officer for the purpose of conducting the elections at the AGM.
- Notice of the AGM shall be posted in the Union Buildings of the University of Adelaide at least fourteen (14) calendar days before the date of holding of same.

16. <u>Special General Meetings:</u>

Special General Meetings of the Association shall be convened by the Secretary and shall be held:

16.1 When called by the President;

16.2 At such times as the Committee shall see fit;

Within ten (10) academic days of receipt by the Honorary Secretary of a written request from ten (10) Voting Members of the Association.

The request shall state the exact form in which the questions are to be put. The quorum for such meetings must include at least seven (7) of the petitioning Members.

17. Membership Fee:

- 17.1 The Association Membership Fee shall be determined from time to time as detailed in the Regulations and fixed, for the following year, at the AGM.
- 17.2 Life Membership shall be ten dollars (\$10) additive.
- 17.3 Annual Membership shall terminate on March 15th of each year.

18. Adelaide University Book Exchange:

The Association shall conduct a book exchange to be called the Adelaide University Book Exchange.

19. Science Bulletin:

The Committee shall publish on behalf of the Association a periodical known as "Science Bulletin".

20. <u>Interpretation of Constitution:</u>

20.1 The interpretation of this Constitution shall lie with the President or the President's deputy duly appointed provided that a meeting may dissent with the Chairman's ruling.

In the event of a situation arising which is not covered by this Constitution, the Committee shall act in what it considers to be the best interests of the Association. Such action shall be subject to confirmation by the next General Meeting of the Association.

21. Alteration of Constitution:

This Constitution shall only be altered by a two-thirds majority of Voting Members attending the <u>Annual General Meeting</u>. Notice of any proposed alternation shall be posted by the <u>Committee</u> in the Union Buildings of the University of Adelaide at least seven (7) calendar days before the Annual General Meeting at which it is to be submitted for approval.

22. Trustees:

The trustees of the trust fund set up in the event of the demise of the Association shall be the last Patron of the Association, the Secretary of the Faculty of Science, the Honorary Treasurer of the Union and the Chief Executive Officer of the Union.

23. Enactment:

This Constitution shall take effect and be deemed enacted as from the time of adoption by the Annual General Meeting of the Association.