1. Name of Member Section

The name of the Member Section shall be the Advanced Message Queuing Protocol (AMQP) Member Section.

2. Member Section Statement of Work

The AMQP Member Section facilitates work relating to AMQP (an open internet-scale infrastructure-level messaging protocol) through coordination of multiple Technical Committees (TCs) affiliated with the Member Section and associated adoption activities.

The AMQP Member Section will support the process of gathering requirements, developing specifications, coordinating the work of its affiliated TCs, and will provide the governance structure to accept and manage funds to serve its work. The Member Section will engage in marketing activities relating to AMQP and will support adoption and implementation efforts relating to AMQP, including the development of conformance guidelines, test cases, testing procedures, and interoperability testing and demonstrations.

3. Rules for Electing Steering Committee Members

In order to maintain the AMQP culture of momentum, broad commitment, and consensus, the Steering Committee shall consist of seventeen (17) members with two-year terms, staggered such that, during any given two years, the tenure of nine (9) members will expire during one of those years and the tenure of other eight (8) will expire during the other year, alternating throughout the lifetime of the Member Section. It is expected that this size will reduce as the key AMQP standards are delivered.

4. Initial Makeup of Member Section Steering Committee

The initial Steering Committee was properly presented in the original Rules of Procedure document [1] and has been removed from subsequent versions for reading clarity.

5. Process for Changing the Number of Steering Committee Members

The maximum number of Steering Committee members shall be ten. The number of Steering Committee members may be changed only using a Member Section Special Majority Vote (in which at least two-thirds of the Member Section Qualified Electors vote "yes") and such that it is consistent with OASIS Member Section Policy.

6. Funding Model for the Member Section

The AMQP Member Section shall receive funding from the OASIS management through allocation of no more than 35% of the membership dues as determined by the OASIS management and the AMQP Member Section Steering Committee.

Additionally, the Member Section may receive funds directly from sources other than membership dues, and may pursue revenue generating and business activities, such as events, grants and donations, so
long as these are consistent with OASIS policies and the not-for-profit tax-exempt status of OASIS. The Steering Committee may choose to take advantage of any funding sources available to support activities associated with the Member Section Statement of Work. All such activities and expenditures shall be subject to the OASIS Member Section Policy.

7. Provisions that Apply to Affiliated Technical Committees

Technical Committees affiliated with this Member Section shall operate under RF on RAND Terms IPR mode as defined in the OASIS Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Policy.

A public demonstration of interoperability involving a minimum of three (3) independent implementations will be required before the Member Section Steering Committee may approve the submittal of a Committee Specification to the OASIS membership for approval as an OASIS Standard.

Technical Committees affiliated with this Member Section must obtain approval from the Steering Committee:

- As part of approving Committee Specification or Committee Note version of their deliverables.
- Prior to submitting any deliverables to the OASIS Technical Committee Administration for OASIS Membership vote and prior to submitting any deliverables to de jure standards organizations.
- On any charter changes (charter clarifications or re-chartering) to the Technical Committee charter.

Approval by the Steering Committee will be using a Member Section Steering Committee Special Majority Vote.

Technical Committees affiliated with this Member Section shall ensure that OASIS Standard version of their deliverables are backwards compatible to earlier versions of the same deliverables released with the same major version number.

Technical Committees affiliated with this Member Section should have charters that define coordination points with other Technical Committees in the Member Section to ensure that related specifications/deliverables are consistent and can be used with each other.

As provided by OASIS policies, Technical Committees not affiliated with the Member Section may not use the name "AMQP" or a name that could be confused with it.

8. Names of co-proposers

The list of names, electronic mail addresses, and membership affiliations of Eligible Persons that supported this proposal and were committed to the Rules of Procedure was properly presented in the original Rules of Procedure document [1] and has been removed from subsequent versions for reading clarity.
9. Statement of Support from co-proposers

The list of name, electronic mail address, membership affiliation, and statement of support for the proposed Rules of Procedure from the Primary Representative of each OASIS Organizational Member referenced in (8) above was properly presented in the original Rules of Procedure document [1] and has been removed from subsequent versions for reading clarity.

10. Other Provisions

The Steering Committee will elect its own chair, vice-chair, treasurer, and secretary, and set its own meeting schedule and agenda, operating under Roberts Rules of Order (newly revised) and all applicable OASIS policies. The treasurer will be the primary point of contact for financial reporting to OASIS management and Member Section Members. All spending requests must be authorized by the Steering Committee using a Member Section Steering Committee Special Majority Vote.

Steering Committee meetings shall be open for all members of the Member Section to attend and participate in discussions. All meeting minutes and official Steering Committee activities will be published on the archived Steering Committee mail list and shall be visible to all OASIS Members.

The Steering Committee may adopt additional standing rules for its operations and that of the Member Section as long as they are consistent with the Member Section Rules of Procedure and OASIS Member Section Policy.

Once the Steering Committee is established, it may modify these Member Section Rules of Procedure, subject to approval of the OASIS Board of Directors as provided in the OASIS Member Section Policy.


This 7 November 2012 RoP modification changes the Steering committee size from 17 to 10 as the result of the annual election. This first revision to the initiating RoP also removes the formation text in Sections 4, 8, 9 for reading clarity.