

Proposed Changes to PSO Bylaws – March 2010

- 1) In Article I, change the word “components” to “constituencies.”
- 2) In Article I, change the heading “Specific Functions” to “Purposes.”
- 3) In Article I, Section H, add the word “professional “ before “staff affairs.”
- 4) In Article I, Section I, revise to read “To develop the eligibility criteria and election process used in determining the recipient of the Professional Staff Organization Employee of the Year award.”
- 5) Article III, Section 2, change meetings from five per year to four per year, and strike the following, “One of those to be held in January and one in March. Meetings dates will be selected and posted on the PSO website two (2) weeks prior to the first meeting of the academic school year.”
- 6) Article III, Section 3, change the heading from “Quorum” to “Ratification” and strike references to definition of quorum, leaving verbiage “All business of the Professional Staff Organization and the Officer Council of the organization shall be ratified by a simple majority of the votes cast.”
- 7) Article III, Section 4, replace entire contents with the following: “Solicitation for nomination of officer positions will begin in early spring. Nominations will be actively solicited from the membership. Only those persons who have been members of the Professional Staff Organization for at least one (1) year shall be eligible for election to the offices of Chair and Vice-Chair. Names of candidates who have accepted the nomination, along with their biographical information, will be announced via the PSO website one (1) week prior to the election period. Membership will be provided with secure PINs for login of electronic voting; electronic ballots will be available on the PSO website for two (2) calendar weeks. Once the election period closes, the Digital Communication Officer will obtain vote tallies. If the Digital Communication Officer is a nominee, the Chair shall assign another designee. Election results shall be announced either at a regularly scheduled meeting or via the PSO website.”
- 8) Article IV, Officer Council, addition of the wording “Terms will run in conjunction with the college’s fiscal year—July 1 to June 30” and deletion of the wording “Only those persons who have been members of the Professional Staff Organization for at least one (1) year shall be eligible for election to the offices of Chair and Vice Chair.” (This wording moved to the section on elections.)
- 9) Article VI, Section 1, strike wording of entire section and replace with “The Vice Chair can form a nominating committee if deemed necessary to assist in identifying a slate of persons willing to serve as offices in the organization.”
- 10) Article VII, strike the paragraph “Two weeks prior to the first meeting of each school year, the Digital Communications Officer shall send correspondence by email to announce the first meeting. This email shall also include a link to the PSO web site for general membership information, including meeting through the current school year.”
- 11) Article VII, strike the words “current year meeting schedule” and replace with “date(s) of upcoming meeting(s).”
- 12) Article VIII, change section to read “These bylaws may be amended by a simple majority of votes cast by the members of the LCSC Professional Staff Organization. Membership must be notified of proposed amendments at least two (2) weeks prior to when a vote will be held. The voting process may be conducted either electronically or at a duly called meeting.”