

BY-LAWS OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

Article 1. Executive Board Meetings

- Section 1. Executive Board Meetings shall be open to all members and shall be called at the discretion of the President with two (2) weeks written notice provided to all members by the Executive Secretary. Executive sessions of the Board may be held, on occasion, for the purpose of discussing issues involving personal confidentiality.
- Section 2. There shall be at least one (1) Board Meeting between Annual Meetings.
- Section 3. Upon petition by at least five (5) members of the Executive Board to the Executive Secretary, a special meeting of the Executive Board shall be scheduled within four (4) weeks time.
- Section 4. Any member of the Executive Board who will not be able to attend an Executive Board Meeting shall be able to vote by written proxy given either to the President or any other member of the Board.
- Section 5. Not less than ten (10) days prior to scheduled Board Meetings, any documents to be viewed at the forthcoming meeting and the agenda shall be mailed to all Board members by the Executive Secretary or Administrator.

Article 2. Membership Dues

- Section 1. The annual dues for Active members shall be determined by the Executive Board.
- Section 2. The annual dues for Student members shall be determined by the Executive Board.
- Section 3. Life membership shall be a multiple of fifteen (15) times the annual dues.
- Section 4. Membership dues shall be payable on or before January 1 of each calendar year.
- Section 5. The annual dues for Institutional membership shall be determined by the Executive Board.

Article 3. Annual Meetings

- Section 1. A registration fee may be assessed for participants at the Annual Meeting and other Conferences of the Society. The fee shall be set by the Executive Board and the membership shall be notified by the Executive Secretary or Administrator.

Article 4. Procedure

- Section 1. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the procedure of the Society during all general and committee meetings, unless otherwise designated.

Article 5. Journal Publications

- Section 1. Composition. The Editor shall appoint and be assisted by Associate, Assistant, departmental and other editors, upon ratification by the Executive Board.
- Section 2. Powers. The Editor will supervise selection of materials for the Journal in consultation with other editors. Referee panels for manuscript evaluation and selection will be used.
- Section 3. Term. The Editor is normally appointed for a three (3) year term by the President upon the recommendation of the Publications Committee and upon ratification by the Executive Board. The four (4) appointed Board members shall serve staggered two (2) year terms. During the first year following ratification of this amendment, two (2) members shall be designated as having one (1) year terms.
- Section 4. The Editor of *Criminology & Public Policy* shall be a voting member of the Executive Board.

Section 5. The Editor of *Criminology & Public Policy* shall be an ex-officio (non-voting) member of the Publications Committee.

Article 6. Elections

The election shall be by mail ballot distributed at least twelve weeks prior to the Annual Meeting of the Society with return due date to be specified by the Executive Committee. Candidates for President-Elect and Vice President-Elect each receiving the larger plurality of 40 percent or more of all votes cast shall be elected. In the event no person receives this plurality, a run-off election by mail will be held between the two (2) candidates who received the most votes. For Counselors, the two (2) candidates who receive the most votes shall be elected. Should resignation, removal or death require that more than two (2) Counselors be elected, the candidate(s) with the next highest number of votes shall be elected.

Article 7. Disbursements

Payments from Society funds up to a sum of \$1,000 may be approved by the President, the Treasurer, the Executive Director, or the Administrator. Payments in excess of \$1,000 but that still fall within the Executive Board approved line-item budget may be approved by the President, the Treasurer, the Executive Director or the Administrator. Payments that are in excess of \$1,000 AND in excess of the Executive Board approved line-item budget must have the approval of both the President and the Executive Director.

Article 8. Officers

The President and President-Elect and Vice President and Vice President-Elect cannot receive any Society awards, except for the Bloch Award or selection as a Fellow, during their tenure in office.

Article 9. Award Creation and Criteria Alterations

The creation of new awards and/or adjustment of current award criteria becomes effective when approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board in each of two (2) consecutive Board Meetings. Award criteria carry the procedural weight of By-Laws.