

**PERFORMANCE
STUDIES DIVISION**

Bylaws

Article I. NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1. The name of the Division shall be the Performance Studies Division.

Section 2. The purpose of the Division shall be to promote study, criticism, research, teaching, and application of the artistic, humanistic, and scientific principles of interpretation.

Section 3. The Division, a not-for-profit organization, exists for educational, scientific, and literary purposes only. No part of the Division's net revenues if any, may be used for the private benefit of any individual or group.

Article II. OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Division shall be a chairperson, a vice chairperson, vice chairperson elect, and a secretary.

Section 2. The vice Chairperson shall succeed to the office of Chairperson. The vice Chairperson Elect and the Secretary shall be nominated and elected as specified by By-Laws.

Section 3. The duties and terms of the officers shall be as specified in the bylaws.

Section 4. In the event of the incapacity of the Chairperson or vice Chairperson, the next person in the line of succession shall serve. In the event any other office is vacated, the Executive Board shall, at its discretion, elect a replacement or establish a nominating and election procedure for so doing.

Article III: EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The Executive Board shall be made up of the elected officers of the Division.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall administer the policies of the Division and shall between annual meetings serve as the chief administrative authority of the Division.

Article IV: AMENDMENTS

Section 1. A majority of the Executive Board may initiate amendments to this constitution.

Section 2. Amendments initiated as specified in Section 1 shall be distributed to members of the Division at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting, at which time proposed amendments shall be voted upon. A two thirds majority shall be required adoption.

Article: QUORUM

Those present at a regularly scheduled and announced meeting of the Division II constitute a quorum.

Article I: MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be as specified in Article V, Section 1, of the constitution of the Southern Speech Communication Association.

Article II: MEETINGS

Section 1. An annual meeting shall be held at a time and place designated by the executive Council of the Southern Speech Communication Association.

Section 2. All meetings of the Division shall be open to all members of the Southern Speech Communication Association.

Article III: ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Section 1. The Executive Board shall prepare annually a slate of nominees for the office of vice Chairperson Elect.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall prepare a slate of nominees for the office of secretary every two years. Nominees should be willing and able to support the preparation and mailing of one newsletter annually.

Article IV: DUTIES AND TERMS OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chairperson shall discharge the responsibilities normally adhering to the office. The Chairperson shall convene the Executive Board when appropriate and serve as representative of the Division on the Executive Council. The Chairperson shall present an annual report to the Executive Council in such form and manner as

the council shall prescribe. The term of office is for one year.

Section 2. The vice Chairperson shall in co-operation with the First Vice President, be responsible for planning the portion of the program of the annual meeting for which the Division is responsible. The vice Chairperson shall succeed to the Chairpersonship in event of the incapacity of the Chairperson.

Section 3. The vice Chairperson Elect shall succeed to the vice Chairperson. Section 4. The Secretary shall perform all ordinary duties of the office and send a newsletter containing notification to the Performance Studies Division membership of the programs and business meeting to be conducted at the annual SSCA convention.