

Constitution of the University of Denver Chapter of the Society of Physics Students

Article I. Purpose

The purpose of this Chapter shall be the advancement and diffusion of knowledge of physics, the encouragement of interest in physics throughout the academic and local communities, and the introduction of students to the professional community.

Article II. Membership

Membership in this Society of Physics Students Chapter shall be open to all individuals interested in physics.

Article III. Advisors

The Chapter Advisor shall be a faculty member appointed by the Chairman of the Department of Physics and Astronomy, after consultation with the Chapter officers. The Chapter Advisor shall provide liaison among the Chapter, the Physics Department, and the National Office of the Society of Physics Students. The Chapter Advisor will supply counseling to the Chapter, furnish continuity of experience in Chapter operations, and provide long-range perspective to insure departmental interest in and support of the Society of Physics Students. The Chapter Advisor shall assist the Secretary in furnishing the National Office with the required data and shall assist the Treasurer in transmitting fees and dues to the National Office.

Article IV. Officers

The officers of the Chapter shall be a President, a Vice-President, and a Secretary/Treasurer; succession shall be in accordance with this order. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by this Chapter.

Article V. Meetings

Section A: Regular meetings shall be held monthly as determined by the officers. There shall be at least six meetings per year.

Section B: Special meetings including other activities may be called by the President or Vice-President.

Members will be informed of all meetings by e-mail.

Article VI. Cost of Membership

There are no local dues. National dues of 20 dollars shall be collected by the Treasurer.

Article VII. Amendments

This constitution and its by-laws may be amended by a two thirds vote and ratification by the SPS advisor(s), provided that the amendment shall have been proposed at least one meeting previous to the time of vote. Such amendments shall conform to the regulations established by the National Constitution of the Society of Physics Students and the relevant regulations of the University of Denver and All University Student Association Senate.

Article VIII. Rules and Regulations

This organization will function in accordance with all rules regulations of the University of Denver.

By-Laws

The Officers' Duties will include:

President: moderate meetings, meet regularly with the faculty advisor, announce meetings

Vice-President: coordinate all SPS activities, and meet with faculty advisor for activity approval

Secretary/Treasurer: collect dues, take minutes of all business meetings, manage budget

Obligations of the faculty advisor include:

- (A) Supervision of meetings
- (B) Guidance for field trips and other activities
- (C) Must be present for elections of student officers
- (D) Advice and ratify amendments to this constitution

Parliamentary authority:

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the Chapter in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the Chapter may adopt.

Addition

Passed on January the 5th 2005.

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Dan DeLeo - President

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Dr. Robert Stencel - Faculty Advisor

Amendments passed:

5/15/06: Nominations meeting each February; Elections meeting each March.