

Rules Committee

Composition & Tenure	The Rules Committee shall consist of five voting members: the President, Secretary, and three other <i>Senior</i> members of the Society, one of whom shall be appointed annually by the President to serve a three-year term. The appointed member with the longest tenure on the committee shall chair the committee and shall serve on the Executive Committee and the Nominating Committee.			
Responsibility	<p>The Rules Committee shall be responsible for interpreting the Constitution; and upon request from the Executive Committee, shall prepare and submit amendments to the Constitution, as specified in Article XVI.</p> <p>The Constitution of the Society may be amended at any Annual Business Meeting of the Society by a two-thirds majority of the <i>Senior</i> members present and voting, providing there is a quorum. Written notice of the proposed amendment shall have been transmitted to the members at least 30 days prior to the meeting at which the vote is taken.</p> <p>Alternatively, the Executive Committee may request the Rules Committee to prepare proposed amendments to the Constitution at the Annual Business Meeting, or by an electronic vote, with the satisfaction of the Society’s quorum requirement. In all cases, the voting members must be allowed 30 days from the date the notification of the amendments is sent to the time of the vote. Amendments may be proposed and voted upon throughout the year.</p>			
Goals	<p>Primary Goal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Support the production and passage of Constitutional changes required by the new strategic plan. <p>Continuing Goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Review the Constitution. ◆ Prepare and submit to the Executive Committee any suggested or necessary changes, revisions, or amendments to the Constitution. ◆ Increase the role of fellows by allowing committee roles. 			
Accountability	... to the Executive Committee through the Secretary.			
President	Secretary	Member #1 - longest tenure; serves as chair; serves on Executive & Nominating Committee	Member #2 - serving in 2nd year of 3-year term, moving to chair next year	Member #3 - appointed annually to serve 3-year term (eventually serving as chair)