

AMENDED
BYLAWS
OF
SOCIETY FOR ANTHROPOLOGICAL SCIENCES
a California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this corporation shall be Society for Anthropological Sciences ("SASci").

ARTICLE II

OFFICES

PRINCIPAL OFFICE. The principal office for the transaction of the business of the corporation ("principal executive office") is located at 3314 Celeste Drive, Riverside, California 92507. The directors may change the principal office from one location to another. Any change of this location shall be noted by the Secretary on these bylaws opposite this section, or this section may be amended to state the new location.

OTHER OFFICES. The Board of Directors may at any time establish branch or subordinate offices at any place or places as it may deem appropriate and where the corporation is qualified to do business.

ARTICLE III

OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES

The purpose of SASci is to advance the scientific study of human societies through scholarly meetings, publications, and related activities. SASci also advances the dissemination of anthropological knowledge within the scientific community and to the broader general public. SASci encourages active student participation and facilitates student incorporation into the professional research community.

ARTICLE IV

NONPARTISAN ACTIVITIES

This corporation has been formed under the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law for the public purposes described above, and it shall be nonprofit and nonpartisan. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of the publication or dissemination of materials with the purpose of attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office or for or against any cause or measure being submitted to the people for a vote except as provided in Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law. The corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes described above.

ARTICLE V
DEDICATION OF ASSETS

The properties and assets of this nonprofit corporation are irrevocably dedicated to charitable and educational purposes. No part of the net earnings, properties, or assets of this corporation, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of any private person or individual, or any member or director of this corporation. On liquidation or dissolution, all properties and assets and obligations shall be distributed and paid over to an organization or organizations dedicated to charitable and educational purposes, provided that such organization or organizations continue to be dedicated to the exempt purposes as specified in Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3).

ARTICLE VI.
MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The membership of SASci includes the members of the Society for Anthropological Sciences which is presently an interest group within the American Anthropological Association (hereinafter AAA), and is seeking to become a Section of that Association.

Section 2. Membership in SASci is open to any anthropologist who shares the concerns of SASci, upon payment of dues.

Section 3. Any member of the Society for Anthropological Sciences of the American Anthropological Association is presumptively a member of SASci.

Section 4. Non-members of the American Anthropological Association may join SASci upon application, acceptance, and payment of annual dues.

Section 5. A Member in good standing shall be eligible to hold elective or appointive office, participate in the scientific program, receive publications, and have one vote in nominating and electing officers and in the transaction of other business of SASci.

ARTICLE VII.
POWERS

Section 1. SASci shall be autonomous in all matters within its field that are not reserved to the AAA, inimical to the AAA's interests, or prohibited by law.

Section 2 SASci shall have elected or appointed officers as set forth in these Bylaws.

Section 3. SASci is empowered to determine membership dues.

Section 4. SASci shall determine voting requirements on all Section matters.

Section 5. SASci may engage in publishing and program activities, appoint editors, committees and other agents, and set publication and program policies appropriate to its purposes.

Section 6. SASci shall adopt and maintain Bylaws consistent with the Bylaws of the AAA.

ARTICLE VIII.
DUES

Section 1. The Executive Board shall set the annual dues of membership and may establish rates for special categories. The Executive Board shall review the dues of SASci at least every three years and report its findings to the membership.

Section 2. Any person in arrears in the payment of dues shall lose all membership privileges.

ARTICLE IX.
GOVERNANCE

Section 1. Governance of SASci shall be vested in the members and the Executive Board.

Section 2. The members shall constitute the final authority of SASci and shall elect from their number the elected officers of SASci as provided in these Bylaws.

Section 3. The Executive Board of SASci shall, subject to provisions in the AAA Articles of incorporation and Bylaws,

- a) have the authority, subject to general directions and limitations imposed by the members, to execute on behalf of SASci all powers and functions of SASci as defined by these Bylaws;
- b) in the event of a vacancy in any elected or appointed office, shall have the power to make interim appointments to the office until the next regular election.

Section 4. The Executive Board shall meet at least once each year and at the call of the President may hold additional meetings as required.

ARTICLE X.
OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of SASci will be a President, President-elect, Past-President, Secretary, ~~Listserve/Website Editor~~, and Treasurer.

Section 2. The President shall be the presiding officer of SASci and chairperson of the Executive Board. The president shall be the representative to the Board of Directors of the AAA, and, should SASci be entitled, serve on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors.

Section 3. The President-Elect serves as Vice President. The President-elect shall assume the duties of the President in the event of absence, death, resignation or incapacity of the President, and shall succeed to the office of President at the conclusion of the President's term of office.

Section 3. The Secretary shall have charge of the records of SASci.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall have charge of the financial affairs of SASci.

Section 5. The term of office of all officers shall be two years, commencing at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting of the AAA. (In the first election of officers, the secretary shall

serve a term of three years and the treasurer shall serve a term of two years, in order that the future terms of office be staggered.)

Section 6. Any officer may succeed him/herself in office for one consecutive term.

Section 7. ~~If an officer of SASci is not a member of the AAA then a substitute officer shall be named to serve in functions relating to the AAA.~~ *If a non-AAA member is elected as an officer of SASci, the*

society may pay the AAA membership dues for the officer for the duration of his/her term as an officer.

ARTICLE XI.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. There shall be an Executive Board consisting of the officers and three members elected at-large from the membership of SASci.

Section 2. Subject to directives and limitations imposed by the Members of SASci, the Executive Board shall have the authority to execute on behalf of SASci all powers and functions defined in these Bylaws.

Section 3. The Executive Board shall meet at least once annually, at the time of the Annual Meeting and may meet additionally on the call of the President or a majority vote of the Executive Board.

Section 4. Members-at-Large will serve three year terms, one Member elected each year.

ARTICLE XII.

NOMINATION AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. Candidates for any elective office may be nominated by the Executive Board of SASci, by a Nominations Committee, or by Members. All candidates shall be Members in good standing of SASci.

Section 2. A Nominations Committee of three (3) Members shall be appointed annually by the Executive Committee of SASci.

Section 3. The Nominations Committee shall nominate at least one person for each vacant office. These nominations shall be made known to Members at least thirty (30) days before the Annual Meeting.

Section 4. Five (5) percent of the Members in good standing may nominate an additional candidate for any office, provided the nomination is received in writing by the Secretary at least ninety (90) days before the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE XIII.

REFERENDA

Section 1. Any matters of business of SASci may be decided by means of a referendum vote by mail ballot. Email or website ballots are to be accepted as equal to mail ballots.

Section 2. A referendum vote may be held at any time upon the initiation of the Executive Board or by a signed petition to the Executive Board by twenty members.

ARTICLE XIV.

BALLOTING

Section 1. A member in good standing is entitled to cast one ballot in any election or referendum.

Section 2. The President will notify candidates of the results of the election, and will make public the results of referenda and elections by a report at the Annual Business Meeting.

Section 3. The candidate receiving the most votes in an election shall be elected; in the case of a tie the Executive Board shall break the tie.

ARTICLE XV.

QUORUM

Section 1. Twenty members in good standing shall constitute a quorum for transacting business at the Annual Business Meeting.

Section 2. A quorum of the Executive Board shall consist of a majority of its membership.

ARTICLE XVI.

FINANCES AND PROPERTY

Section 1. The fiscal year of SASci shall be that of the AAA

ARTICLE XVIII.

MEETINGS

Section 1. SASci shall hold an Annual Business Meeting at the Meetings of the AAA.

Section 2. The place and date of the Annual Meeting shall be disclosed to the membership no later than sixty (60) days in advance of the Meeting.

Section 4. The President of SASci shall preside over the Annual Meeting.

Section 5. The Executive Committee of SASci shall appoint a Program Chair who shall organize the scientific program of SASci in conjunction with the Executive Committee and subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XIX.

ANNUAL REPORT

Section 1. At the time of the Annual Business Meeting of SASci, the Executive Board shall report its activities to the membership. The report shall include the reports of Officers, committees, and other agents.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall report its activities in a written report to the AAA Executive Board at least sixty (60) days before the Annual Meetings of the AAA.

ARTICLE XX.

AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

Section 1. The Bylaws may be amended by a two-third majority of the members voting.

Section 2. Amendments may be proposed by the Executive Board or by a majority vote at the Annual Business Meeting. The proposed amendments shall be included in a ballot publicized to the members of SASci, and must be voted upon no more than thirty (30) days from the date they were publicized.

Section 3. The amendments and provisions of the Bylaws shall be effective immediately upon adoption and shall supersede and nullify all previous enactments in conflict with them.

ARTICLE XXI.

COMMUNICATION

1. Communication and voting may be through the SASci Listserve, website, or postal mail, according to the preference of the Executive Board.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

The undersigned does hereby certify that:

1. He is the acting Secretary of Society for Anthropological Sciences, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation; and
 2. The foregoing Bylaws constitute the Bylaws of this corporation as duly adopted by Unanimous Written Consent of the Board of Directors dated as of the 24th day of January, 2006.
- IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate on the 24th day of January, 2006.



David Kronenfeld, Secretary