

Constitution of the Society of Physics Students (SPS)

Preamble

The Society of Physics Students (SPS) shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the University of Maryland Baltimore County's House of Organizations and Student Government Association, as well as to the President of the University and his designees.

Article I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Society of Physics Students.

Article II: Purpose

The Society of Physics Students has been established for the purpose of disseminating information to and educating the public about the field of physics as well as about the nature of scientific endeavor.

Article III: Qualifications and Membership

- A. Prospective members must be enrolled at the University of Maryland Baltimore County and
- B. Must have an interest in learning about the benefits and consequences of scientific reasoning and exploration.
- C. Membership in the SPS shall not be denied because of race, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, disabled veteran or veteran, national origin, or religion.

Article IV: Officers

- A. The chief officers of the SPS shall consist of a President, Vice President, Treasurer, and a Secretary.
 - 1. The President shall act as the chief executive officer; thus carrying out all duties involving representation of the SPS to outside interests, as well as to make final decisions regarding all domestic interests.
 - 2. The Vice President shall coordinate the membership as well as represent the president in his/her absence.
 - 3. The Treasurer shall be responsible for a full account of all funds received and spent by the SPS.
 - 4. The Secretary shall keep records of all official SPS business.
- B. The **Term of Office** for all positions in the SPS is one calendar year beginning with an election in the Fall semester.
- C. Election of officers shall be held on the Third Friday of the Fall semester in a given calendar year. At least one week's notice shall be given before the election is over.

Nomination shall be initiated from the membership, and elections coordinated by the sitting Vice President. The persons receiving the majority vote shall be elected.

- D. Impeachment of any officers must require a majority vote of all other elected officials.
- E. Any individual may not serve in the same position for more than two years (not necessarily consecutively).
- F. Any vacancy which may occur in an office shall be filled by an appointment by the remaining members of the Executive Committee pending ratification at the next group meeting.

Ratified by:

President:	<u>Stephanie Ferrone</u>
Vice President:	<u>Aaron B. Pearlman</u>
Treasurer:	<u>Josh Nachman</u>
Secretary:	<u>Timothy Engers</u>
Webmaster:	<u>Aaron B. Pearlman</u>

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