BY-LAWS

Social Science Research and Instructional Council, California State University and Colleges Council

ARTICLE I
NAME

This organization shall be known as the Social Science Research and Instructional Council, California State University and Colleges Council (hereinafter referred to as SSRIC, CSUC Council).

ARTICLE II
OBJECTIVES

1. To encourage the use of quantitative methods in the teaching of social sciences to undergraduate and graduate students.

2. To support and implement the collection and distribution of social science data as well as information about these data.

3. To support and implement the use of computerized projects in the CSUC curriculum.

4. To support and implement the quantitative skills of students and faculty in the California State University and Colleges.

ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING

1. The SSRIC, CSUC Council shall be composed of one representative from each campus. The campus representative shall be appointed annually by their President. "Past Council chairpersons who no longer serve as campus representatives but who remain affiliated with the CSUC system, shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting members of the SSRIC, CSUC Council."

2. Decisions on all issues will be by a majority of the council members present and voting, provided a quorum of eleven members is present.

3. Participation in Council deliberation may be expanded to include other members of the CSUC community.

ARTICLE IV
THE CHAIRPERSON AND COMMITTEES

1. At the Winter meeting, the Council will select a chairperson to serve for the next year beginning on July 1st.

2. No chairperson shall serve successive terms.

3. Committees shall be established by a majority of SSRIC, CSUC Council.

4. There shall be a CSUC Questionnaire Committee for the California Poll which will function in the following way:
a). The Committee will consist of 8 members and two alternates—one from the Northern California area and the other from the Southern California area. Terms of office will be two years. One half of the first selected committee members will have a one-year term.

b). Any CSUC faculty member is eligible for this committee. Committee membership will be selected by the SSRIC Council.

c). The Committee will have a Chairperson selected by the Council.

d). The Committee will represent the CSUC system and the Council at meetings of the California Poll Questionnaire Committee. Directives on CSUC question submittals and other interests will be provided by the Council.

e). The Committee will coordinate Field Data set development with the SSRIC Council and the Division of Information Systems.

ARTICLE V
MEETINGS

1. There shall be at least three meetings of the council in each academic year.

ARTICLE VI
SUMMER TRAINING PROGRAMS, ANN ARBOR

1. Any council member may nominate participants.

2. Both faculty and students will be considered eligible applicants.

3. Under the assumption that elementary training in research methods is readily available within CSUC, preference will be given to those applicants qualifying for the more advanced programs.

4. The council will attempt to insure each campus is represented.

ARTICLE VII
ATTENDANCE AT ANNUAL MEETING, ANN ARBOR

According to the terms of the agreement with ICPSR in Ann Arbor, CSUC is entitled to send ten participants to the Annual Meeting of Official Representatives of ICPSR. Selection will be as follows:

1. The SSRIC, CSUC Council Chairperson or his designee shall be one of the participants in the Annual Meeting.

2. The Council will select the other representatives on a rotating basis each year.
ARTICLE VIII
ACQUISITION OF MATERIALS

A library of SSRIC materials shall be developed in CSUC, Division of Information Systems. All requests for materials shall be sent to the Coordinator of this Library.

ARTICLE IX
AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these By-Laws shall be adopted by a majority vote of the nineteen members of SSRIC, CSUC Council. Proposals for amendment shall be submitted to Council members by mail in advance of one of the regular meetings.

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