Suggested changes are indicated by underlined text for new language or bracketed text for deletions.

Division 1 –

ARTICLE V - Nominations and Elections

1. The President-Elect, the Representative(s) to the APA Council of Representatives and the Members-at-Large of the Executive Committee shall be elected by a preferential vote of the Society Fellows, Members, Associates and Affiliates who are members of APA on a secret mail or electronic ballot.

Division 2 –

ARTICLE VIII-NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. The elected officers of the Society shall be determined by a vote of Members and Fellows of the Society, voting on a mail or electronic ballots, with the exception of Representative to APA Council, for whom only APA members may vote.

ARTICLE XII-AMENDMENTS AND CHANGES TO THE OPERATING PROCEDURES OF THE SOCIETY

1. The Society, at any annual meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, or by a majority of the members of the Society voting on a mail or electronic ballot, may adopt such amendments to these bylaws as have been (a) presented and read at the preceding annual meeting, or (b) mail or electronically sent to each member, or (c) published as a ballot in an appropriate Society publication two months before the count.

2. Ballots should be returned to the Secretary. The Secretary counts them and informs the President of the results.

Division 3 –

ARTICLE V. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. The Officers of the Division shall be elected, according to a preferential voting system, by the Fellows and Members of the Division by mail or online ballot as provided on the APA website, except as provided in Article III and except that the Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected by a majority vote of the Division Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

1. The Division, by vote of two-third of the Fellows and Members voting at any annual business meeting, or by a majority of those Fellows and Members of the Division voting on a mail or electronic ballot, may adopt such amendments to these Bylaws as have been (a) presented and read at the preceding annual business meeting or (b) circulated to the membership at least two months prior to the final vote on the proposed amendments. Circulation may be carried out by publication in the official newsletter of the Division and by an electronic mailing to the last known address of the members.
Division 5 –

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

3. Recommended amendments shall be submitted in writing by the Secretary-Treasurer to all voting members of the Division in a mail or electronic ballot and adopted if favored by a majority of those returning their ballots to the Secretary-Treasurer within the 60 day balloting period [60 days after the mailing of the ballots].

Division 6 –

ARTICLE V. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. The officers of the Division shall be elected, according to a preferential voting system, by the Fellows and Members of the Division by mail or electronic ballot, except that the Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected by a majority vote of the Division Executive Committee.

Division 7 –

ARTICLE V, NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. The divisional officers and the Members-at-large of the Divisional Executive Committee shall be elected by a preferential count of the members of the Division responding to a mail or electronic ballot.

ARTICLE IX, AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these By-Laws may be adopted by the Division by either of two procedures:

(1) by vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting; or (2) by a majority vote of the members of the Division responding to a mail or electronic ballot providing that each proposed amendment has been first (a) presented and read at the preceding annual meeting; or (b) mailed or electronically sent to the most recent address of each member or published in the official organ of the Division, at least two months prior to the final vote.

Division 10 –

ARTICLE V. OTHER COMMITTEES

3. The chair of the Nominations and Elections committee shall be a past or present member of the Executive Committee and shall be asked by the President to chair the Committee. In addition, the Secretary shall be an ex-officio member of the committee. It shall be the function of this Committee to conduct and supervise the mail or electronic elections of the Society as provided in Article VI of these Bylaws. The Committee shall also receive applications for membership, examine the credentials submitted, and make recommendations, accompanied by the necessary data regarding each applicant in accordance with requirements set forth in Article II of these Bylaws. These recommendations shall be made to the membership at the annual business meeting. The Committee shall also examine the qualifications of Members to become Fellows of the APA and shall recommend to the APA Membership Committee those members who meet the Fellowship requirement.
ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

1. By vote of two thirds of the voting members present at any Annual Meeting or by a majority vote of the members of the Society voting in a mail or electronic ballot, the Society may adopt such amendments to these Bylaws as have been (a) presented at the preceding annual meeting or (b) mailed or electronically sent to the last known post office address or electronic address of each member or published in the journal of the Society two months prior to the final vote on the proposed amendments.

Division 13 –

ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS

1. Amendment to these By-Laws may be offered to the Members for vote if (a) recommended by the Executive Board, (b) recommended by a majority of those present and voting at the Annual Business Meeting of the Division, or (c) if petitioned for by one percent of the Members of the Division.

2. After proposed amendments to these By-Laws have been (a) presented and read at the preceding Annual Meeting, or (b) mailed or electronically sent to the last known post office address or electronic address of each Member at least two months prior to the final vote, or (c) published on the Web-site or other publications of the Division at least two months prior to the final vote, the Division shall adopt such amendments if a majority of the Members voting on the proposed amendments approve them.

Division 15 –

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these By-Laws may be adopted at any annual business meeting of the Division by not less than two-thirds vote of the eligible members present and voting or by a similar vote by mail or electronic ballot of members, provided the proposed amendments have been presented and read at the preceding annual business meeting, or provided that they have been mailed or electronically sent to each member of the Division or of the Association not less than two months prior to the final vote on the proposed amendment.

Division 17 –

ARTICLE V - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. The Elections Committee, in cooperation with the Elections Committee of the APA, shall develop a ballot, and conduct and supervise the mail or electronic elections of the Society/Division as provided in the following sections of the Article.

Division 18 –

ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS

2. Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws must be mailed or electronically sent to the membership of the Division at least 45 days prior to the closing date for receipt of ballots.
3. The Division by a two-thirds vote of those members voting by mail or electronic ballot shall adopt such amendments to these bylaws.

Division 19 –

ARTICLE V. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. The Officers of the Division shall be elected by the Fellows, Members, and voting Associates of the Division (see Article II, Section 8), voting by mail or electronic ballot according to the preferential voting system employed by the Association.

3. Annually, at a time established by the deadlines provided by the Association, the Election Committee Chairperson shall send a nominations ballot to the Division membership. The ballot shall provide at least two places for each office to be filled. The nominations ballots, when returned by the membership, shall be forwarded to the Chairperson of the Election Committee. That Committee shall tally the votes, and, for each office to be filled, shall select at least two nominees willing to serve if elected. The persons thus nominated must be the two willing nominees standing highest in the balloting for the office. If two willing nominees can not be found on the basis of the nominating ballot, then one nominee may be selected by the Election Committee on the basis of standing in balloting or other exceptional qualification for office. The persons will be named in alphabetical order to the Secretary without identification as to source of the nominations. The Secretary of the Division or the Election Committee Chairperson shall then transmit the names of the persons nominated for each office to be filled to the Elections Committee of the Association in accordance with the Association's deadlines for inclusion in the election ballot mailed or electronically sent by the Association in accordance with the provisions of the Association's Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII. DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

2. Membership additional dues, and special assessments, may be recommended by the President with the approval of the Executive Committee of the Division, and shall be established by majority vote of the membership present and voting at an annual business meeting, or by mail or electronic ballot, as provided in Article II, Sections 8 and 9, of these Bylaws.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

1. The Division, by two-thirds vote of the membership present and voting at any annual business meeting, or by a majority vote of the Division membership voting by mail or electronic ballot, as provided in Article II, Sections 8 and 9, of these Bylaws, may adopt such amendments to these Bylaws as have been (a) presented and read at the preceding annual business meeting, or (b) circulated to the Division membership at least one (1) month prior to the final vote on the proposed amendment(s). Circulation may be carried out either (a) by publication in the Division's Newsletter, (b) by separate mailing, postal or electronic, to the last known addresses of the membership, or (c) by website.

Division 20 –

ARTICLE V. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1.
The officers of the Division and the Members-at-large of the Executive Committee shall be elected by a majority vote of the Members voting on a mail or electronic ballot.
ARTICLE VIII. DUES

Section 1.
Changes in the annual dues of the Division and assessments of any special dues by the Division shall be recommended by the Executive Committee and shall be decided by majority vote of those present and voting at an annual meeting of the Division or by mail or electronic ballot of the Members.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

Section 1.
The Division at any annual meeting by vote of two-thirds of the voting members present, or by a majority vote of the voting members of the Division on a mail or electronic ballot may adopt such amendments to these by-laws as have been (a) presented and read at the preceding annual meeting, or (b) mailed to the last known post office address of each voting member or published in the official Newsletter of the Division two months prior to the final vote on the proposed amendments.

Division 21 –

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS, NOMINATIONS, AND ELECTIONS

Section 9. The Officers of the Division shall be elected according to preferential voting system, by the Fellows, Members, and Affiliates of the Division voting by mail or electronically, except that the Secretary / Treasurer of the Division shall be elected by a majority vote of the Executive Committee. The Secretary / Treasurer shall send a nomination ballot each year to all Fellows, Members, and Affiliates of the Division at a time in accordance with the deadlines provided by the APA. This ballot shall provide three places for the office of President-Elect, three places for each office of Division Representative, and three places for each office of Member-at-Large of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IV. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Division. All actions of the Executive Committee which are of a continuing or policy nature are subject to the approval, by majority vote, of the membership present and voting at an annual business meeting, or by mail or electronic ballot, as provided in Article III of these By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII. FINANCES

Section 2. Dues and assessments shall be recommended by the Executive Committee and shall be decided by majority vote of the membership present and voting at an annual business meeting, or by mail or electronic ballot, as provided in Articles III and V of these By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

Section 1. The Division, by vote of two-thirds of the membership present and voting at any annual business meeting, or by a majority vote of the membership of the Division voting by mail or electronic ballot, as provided in Article II of these By-Laws, may adopt such amendments to these By-Laws as have been (a) presented and read at the preceding annual business meeting, or (b) circulated to the membership at least two months prior to the final vote on the proposed
amendments. Circulation may be carried out either by publication in a journal of the APA, the Division Newsletter, or by mailing to the last known addresses of the membership.

Division 23 –

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

SECTION 2. ELECTIONS. The following officers of the Society shall be elected by all members of the Society. A call for nominations shall be issued to the membership, for the office of President-Elect each year; Secretary-Treasurer-Elect every second year; and Council Representative-Elect every third year. The final ballot shall be mailed or electronically sent no later than four months after closing the nominating ballot. Election shall be by means of a preferential voting system (Hare system), and at least two nominees shall be named for each office. The election results shall be reported to the President at the Annual Business Meeting. If a person who is already an officer to the Society is elected to another position by which he or she becomes an officer of the Society, he or she must resign one of these positions. All officers shall assume office at the next Annual Business Meeting following their election. Vacancies may be filled or new offices created and filled at any meeting of the Executive Committee. Each officer shall hold office until his or her successor shall have been duly elected and qualified, or until his or her death, or until he or she shall resign or be removed in the manner hereinafter provided. Election of an officer shall not of itself create contract rights.

ARTICLE XV. AMENDMENTS

Voting on amendments to or repeal of these By-laws may take place at any time, and will be accomplished by means of a mail or electronic ballot of the members. A majority vote of those who return ballots within thirty (30) days of the start of voting [date of mailing] shall carry the vote. The notice of the amendments or repeal shall be sent with the ballot and shall describe the substance of the proposed action. Amendments or repeal shall be initiated by a majority vote of the Executive Committee or by a petition of at least one hundred (100) members of the Society.

Division 25 –

ARTICLE IV. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

2. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Division. All actions of the Division Executive committee that are of a continuing nature may be presented for approval to the membership. Such ratification of Executive Committee actions will be by a majority vote of the members voting by mail or electronic ballots. These ratifying mail or electronic ballots may be initiated by a majority of the Executive Committee by the President or by written petition of 15 members of the Division.

ARTICLE V. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. The officers of the Division shall be elected, according to a preferential voting system, by the Fellows and Members of the Division by mail or electronic ballot, except that the Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected by a majority vote of the Division Executive Committee at its mid-year meeting one year prior to the start of the Secretary-Treasurer's term.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS
2. There shall be at least one meeting annually of the Division Executive Committee. It shall take place at such time and place as the Executive Committee shall have decided by majority vote at its preceding annual meeting. There may be additional meetings of the Executive Committee if its membership decides so by majority vote. This vote may be taken at a meeting or by any officer through mail, electronically or phone.

7. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of a majority of the voting members, as defined in Article IV, Section 1, of these Bylaws. Decisions by the Executive Committee will be determined by a simple majority vote of voting members present; the presiding officer may vote to break a tie. Voting by mail or electronic ballot or telephone call may be conducted between scheduled meetings of the Executive Committee. Such ballots shall be initiated by the President.

ARTICLE VIII. DUES

1. Changes in annual dues and assessments of any special dues shall be recommended by majority vote of the Division Executive Committee and shall be decided by a majority vote of those Fellows and Members voting at an annual meeting or by mail or electronic ballot of the members.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

1. These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Fellows and Members voting by mail or electronic ballot.

Division 26 –

ARTICLE V - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. Elected officers of the Society shall be elected by a majority vote of the members casting mail or electronic ballots. Nominations and elections shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and procedures of the APA.

ARTICLE VIII - DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

1. The minimum dues of the Society shall be the amount established by the APA. Any changes in annual dues, or special assessments in addition to the dues, shall be recommended by the Executive Committee and decided by a majority of the members voting at the annual meeting or by mail or electronic ballot.

ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS

1. The Society at any annual meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, or by a majority of the members of the Society voting on a mail or electronic ballot, may adopt such amendments to these Bylaws as have been (a) presented and read at the preceding annual meeting, or (b) mailed to the last known post office address of each member, emailed to the last known email address of each member, or (c) published in the Society journal news and notes section two months prior to the final vote on the proposed amendments.

Division 27 –

ARTICLE V: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS
1. All officers of the Society shall be elected by a majority vote of the members casting mail or electronic ballots. Nominations and elections shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and procedures of the American Psychological Association.

4. The two Student Members on the Executive Committee shall be elected by a majority vote of Student Members casting mail or electronic ballots.

7. Every three years, a Regional Network Coordinator shall be elected by a majority vote of Society members casting mail or electronic ballots. There shall be at least two nominees for the office of Regional Network Coordinator, selected from among members who have served or are serving as Regional Coordinator.

ARTICLE VII: COMMITTEES

5. The Nominations Committee shall consist of no less than 15 members who are representative of the diverse constituencies within the Society. In addition, the Societal Secretary shall be an ex-officio member of this committee. It shall be the duty of this committee, in cooperation with the Elections Committee of the American Psychological Association, to conduct and supervise the mail or electronic elections of the Society as provided in Article V of these Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII: DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

1. Dues, assessments of special dues, and changes in dues and assessments, in addition to those of the American Psychological Association, shall be recommended by the Society Executive Committee and shall be decided by a majority vote of those Fellows, Members, and Student Members voting at an annual meeting or by mail or electronic ballot of the members.

ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENTS

1. The Bylaws may be amended by two-thirds vote of the membership attending any annual meeting or by a majority vote of the members on a mail or electronic ballot.

Division 29 –

ARTICLE VII: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section C

5. The nominations ballot shall be mailed to the last known address of each member, or electronically transmitted to the last known electronic address of each member of the Division in a timely fashion to meet APA requirements. A mailed ballot returned by a member must be signed by that member and must be postmarked no later than 30 days after ballots have been distributed, or electronically returned within the 30 day balloting period to be considered valid and to be counted. Such count shall be conducted by a person or persons delegated that responsibility by the Committee on Nominations and Elections.

Section I

The Officers, Representatives to APA Council, and Domain Representatives shall be elected by a preferential vote of the Members, Fellows and voting Associate Members of the The Division on a mail or electronic ballot. The Student Representative shall be elected by preferential vote of
the Student Affiliates on a mail or electronic ballot. The Chair of the Committee on Nominations and Elections shall have responsibility for:

ARTICLE IX: REFERENDA

C. Upon certification by the Secretary, the Board of Directors shall direct the holding of a mail or electronic ballot on the matter. The Secretary shall be responsible for mailing the ballot to the last known address of each voting member or electronic address of each member within 90 days of the certification that the referendum is in order. Said ballot shall be accompanied by arguments for and against the proposed referendum. A mailed ballot returned by a voting member must be signed by that member must be postmarked no later than sixty (60) days after the date of mailing, or start of voting to be considered valid and to be counted. An affirmative vote by a majority of members voting shall be required to sustain the matter contained in the referendum.

Division 30 –

ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These bylaws may be amended only by a two-thirds majority of those members and fellows voting in a mail or electronic ballot.

Section 3. Proposed amendments shall be mailed or electronically sent as soon as possible by the secretary to the most recent post office address or electronic address of record of each member and fellow. To be counted, returned amendment ballots must be received by the secretary within 31 days from the original date sent [of mailing].

Division 31 –

ARTICLE XI. REFERENDA AND AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Amendments. Amendments of these bylaws may be proposed (a) by the Board of Directors of the Division by two-thirds vote of Board members present at a meeting of the Board, or by mail or electronic ballot of the Board, or (b) by petition signed by two (2) percent of the Members of the Division, or (c) by petition of ten (10) percent of the participating state/provincial/territorial psychological association governing bodies. Within two (2) months of a Board of Directors proposal to amend these bylaws or receipt of a petition, the Board of Directors of the Division shall submit the amendment to the Members of the Division by mail or electronic ballot.

Section 2. Voting for Amendments. The Bylaws of the Division may be amended by two-thirds vote of the Members voting in a mail or electronic ballot and shall be closed sixty (60) days after the start of voting [date of mailing]. Bylaw amendments shall become effective immediately upon certification.

Section 3. Referenda. Upon petition by five (5) percent of the Members of the Division or of the governing bodies or twenty (20) percent of participating state/provincial/territorial psychological associations, a referendum on any action or policy will be conducted by the Board of Directors of the Division by mail or electronic ballot of the Divisional Members. The polls shall close after sixty (60) days of the start of voting [date of mailing]. If two-thirds of the Members voting by mail or electronic ballot approve the proposal, it shall then be enacted by the Board of Directors of the Division.
ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS

Section 1:

Five members in good standing of the Division may propose amendments to these Bylaws. The Secretary must receive such proposals at least ninety days before the meeting at which they are to be considered. If the Executive Board so decides, by a two-thirds vote in favor, notice of the proposal shall be sent to the entire membership together with pro and con statements. If approved by a majority of the members voting [return ballots] within 60 days of the date of the sending [mailing] of the ballot, the amendments shall be adopted as part of the Bylaws.

Section 2:

The Executive Board may propose amendments to and/or revisions of these Bylaws to the membership at any time such revisions or amendments become necessary. Such amendment proposals and revisions shall be distributed by mail or electronic ballot and shall carry notice that the polls will be closed in the Secretary’s office 60 days from their having been posted. Approval shall be by majority of ballots cast.

ARTICLE VI - DUES AND FINANCE

SEC. 1 By a majority vote on a mail or electronic ballot the Division may decide to collect dues from its membership.

ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS

SEC. 1 This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the membership present and voting at an annual meeting held not less than one month after the mailing, electronic transmission or publication of the proposed amendment, or by a majority vote of the members responding to a mail or electronic ballot which shall close not less than one month after the mailing, electronic transmission or publication of the proposed amendment.

ARTICLE V. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. All officers and members-at-large of the Executive Committee of the Division shall be elected by a majority vote of the members casting mail or electronic ballots. Nominations and elections shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and procedures of the American Psychological Association. Every effort should be made to obtain proper representation of the constituencies represented in the Division.

ARTICLE VIII. DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

3. Changes in assessments shall be recommended by the Division Executive Committee and shall be decided by a majority vote of those Fellows and Members voting at an annual meeting or by
mail or electronic ballot of the members. Dues and assessments shall be levied against all members except Affiliates-by-invitation.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

1. The Division, by vote of two-thirds of the voting membership present, at any annual meeting, or by a majority vote of the voting membership voting on a mail ballot or via electronic voting, may adopt such amendments to these By-laws as have been (a) read at the preceding annual meeting, or (b) mailed or electronically sent to the voting membership at least two months prior to vote, or (c) published in an appropriate communication of this Division, or otherwise communicated to the division voting membership, at least two months prior to vote.

Division 35 –

ARTICLE III - OFFICERS

5. Candidates for office in the Society shall be Fellows or Members of the Society. With the exception of the Treasurer, who shall be elected by the Executive Committee, officers and Society Representatives shall be elected by preferential mail or electronic ballot to members.

ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS

1. These Bylaws may be amended by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members who reply to a mail or electronic ballot of the total Society membership provided the replies number at least two hundred (200) or one-fourth (1/4) of the total Society membership, whichever number is smaller.

Division 36 –

ARTICLE III - OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

3. Candidates for office in the Division shall be Fellows or Members of the Division. The nomination and election of officers and other members of the Executive Committee shall be carried out by means of a preferential mail or electronic ballot. A vacancy in any office may, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, be filled by the runner-up for that office at the last election.

ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by a majority vote of the Executive Committee or by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting. Ratification of the amendment(s) proposed requires a two-thirds majority of those members voting by mail or electronic ballot.

Division 38 –

ARTICLE III - OFFICERS

c. Candidates for office in the Division shall be Fellows or Members of the Division. Officers and Divisional Representatives shall be elected by preferential mail or electronic ballot to members.

ARTICLE VI - AMENDMENTS
These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Division, or by a similar proportion of those replying to a mail or electronic ballot of the total membership.

ARTICLE VII-AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by a majority of the Executive Committee or by a majority vote of the Members present at any annual meeting. Ratification of the amendment proposed requires a two-thirds majority of those members voting by mail or electronic ballot.

ARTICLE VIII - VOTING

A. Except where otherwise stated in these Bylaws, voting shall be conformed to the following rules: decisions of the membership on referenda shall be by majority vote of those returning mailed or electronic ballots; decisions of the Board of Directors on matters properly placed on an agenda for Board action shall be by majority affirmative vote of those present and voting; and decisions on all matters agreed to by all other governance bodies of the Division and reported to the Board of Directors shall be by majority affirmative vote of those present and voting.

ARTICLE XII - REFERENDA

C. Upon certification by the Secretary, the Board of Directors shall direct the holding of a mail or electronic ballot on the matter within ninety (90) days of the receipt of the petition. Such ballot shall be mailed or electronically sent to the last known post office address or electronic address of each Fellow and Member along with statements which specify the arguments for and against the proposed referendum. The polls shall close and ballots shall be counted forty-five (45) days after the start of the election [mailing], and the voting period shall then be considered ended.

ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENTS

B. After an amendment has been reviewed by the Board, it shall be submitted to the membership for approval. The tally of the Board vote shall be reported to the membership, and if and only if at least three members of the Board of Directors request them, the required ballot shall be accompanied by statements that specify the arguments for and against the proposed amendment. The polls shall close and ballots shall be counted forty-five (45) days after the start of the voting [mailing], and the voting period shall then be considered ended. An affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the voting members who have returned their ballots shall be required to ratify the proposed amendment which shall then go into effect.

ARTICLE XIV - DISSOLUTION

A. Psychologists in Independent Practice: A Division of the American Psychological Association (Division 42) may be dissolved in accordance with the principals specified in the Bylaws of the APA. In addition, the Division may be dissolved, upon
recommendation of the Board of Directors, by a two thirds (2/3) vote of those Division members voting to ratify such a recommendation by a mail or electronic ballot. In the case of the dissolution of the Division, any assets remaining in the Division’s Treasury shall become the property of the APA.

Division 43 –

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by a majority vote of the Division’s Board of Directors or by petition of 10% of the Division’s voting members. Bylaws amendments are ratified and implemented upon a 2/3 majority of those division members voting in a mail or electronic ballot. Bylaws amendments may also be adopted and implemented by the Division’s Board if there are no more than two votes opposed. The President shall appoint a By-laws and Policy & Procedures Revision Committee as needed, but no less than every five years. The next revision is due in 2007.

Division 45 –

ARTICLE III – OFFICERS

4. Candidates for office in the Division shall be Fellows or Members of the Division, with the exception of one graduate student representative seat with a vote who is a student affiliate of the Division in good standing. Officers and Divisional Representatives to the American Psychological Association Council of Representatives shall be elected by preferential mail or electronic ballot by the voting members.

The Policy and Procedures may need to be changed to reflect electronic voting.

Division 49 –

ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS

An amendment to these Bylaws may be proposed by a majority of the Board of Directors or by a petition of three percent (3%) of the voting Members of the Division and presented to the Board of Directors. The proposed amendment shall be either inserted into the next issue of the Division newsletter, and mailed or electronically sent, or posted on the Division listserv. Returned ballots (including membership number) shall be counted by the Secretary sixty (60) days after mailing, or email posting, and the voting period shall then be considered closed. An affirmative vote by the majority of votes cast shall be required to ratify the amendment, which shall be effective immediately.

Division 51 –

ARTICLE IV. MEETING OF MEMBERS

Section 9. Voting by Mail or Electronically. Where the Board of Directors or officers are to be elected by members, such election may be conducted by mail or electronically, in accordance with Article V, Section 3. On all other matters, voting may be conducted by mail or electronically if such a ballot is requested by two or more members of the Board of Directors or requested in writing by fifteen percent of the members of the Society. In such cases, the Secretary shall mail or electronically send a copy of the matter to be voted on to each eligible member within a reasonable time following the request for a mail or electronic ballot accompanied by, at the discretion of the
Board of Directors, statements in favor of or and opposed to the motion. Within sixty days after the motion and accompanying statements have been mailed or electronically sent to the members, the Secretary shall mail or electronically send ballots to members. Ballots shall be returned electronically or postmarked within sixty days after they have been sent.

ARTICLE V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 3. Elections. Members of the Board of Directors of the Society shall be elected by a majority of the voting members of the Society voting by mail or electronic ballot sent by APA. The ballot shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail or electronically sent and addressed to the member at his/her address as it appears on the records of APA, with postage thereon prepaid. Each ballot shall contain at least two nominees for any vacancy. Members shall be informed of the results in a timely manner.

ARTICLE XII. ASSESSMENTS

Section 1. Annual Assessment. The Board of Directors may determine from time to time the amount of the annual assessment payable to the Society by members. In the event that additional revenues are required during a fiscal year, the Board of Directors may request ratification for a special assessment from a majority of members voting by mail or electronic ballot.

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

These Bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed and new Bylaws may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members responding by mail or electronic ballot. Amendments may be proposed by a majority of the Board of Directors or by a petition submitted to the Secretary and signed by 20% of the members of the Society in good standing. All amendments must be consistent with APA Bylaws. Mail ballots on Bylaws amendments shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the member at his/her address as it appears on the record of the Society, with postage thereon prepaid. Electronic ballots shall be deemed to be delivered when electronically sent. Such ballots shall be returned within thirty days of that date. If approved, the amendments would take effect on the date specified on the ballot.

Division 52 –

ARTICLE VII: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 4

The Officers of the Division shall be elected by a preferential vote of the members on a mail or electronic ballot. The American Psychological Association oversees the [mailing]sending of ballots, the count of the votes, the notification of the results of the election to the President of the Division, and the notification to the members whose names appeared on the ballot. The election results shall be reported at the annual business meeting of the Division and in the Bulletin as well as announcement-only listserv and website. The Committee on Nominations and Elections shall be responsible for overseeing the [mailing]sending of ballots, the count of the votes, the notification to the Board of Directors of the results of the election, the notification to the members whose names appeared on the ballot, and the reporting of the election results at the annual business meeting of the Division and in the pages of its publication when that becomes available.

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS
Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by a majority of the Board of Directors or by a petition of three percent (3%) of the voting Members of the Division and presented to the Board of Directors. The proposed amendment shall be either inserted into the next issue of the Division newsletter electronically sent or mailed separately to the last-known Post Office address of each voting Member along with the statements which specify the arguments for and against the proposed change. Ballots shall be counted sixty (60) days after the start of the voting, and the voting period shall then be considered closed. An affirmative vote by the majority of the votes cast shall be required to ratify the amendment which shall be effective immediately.

Division 55 –

ARTICLE IX. REFERENDA AND AMENDMENTS

Section 2. Bylaw amendment proposals generated according to Article IX, Section 1 shall be submitted to the voting members of the Division for vote by mail or electronic ballot. Ballots must be returned within 30 days after the start of the voting to the voting Members. Approval shall require an approval by two-thirds of the Members who cast votes. The amendment shall become effective immediately upon the determination that the required majority was obtained.

Section 3. Upon petition by five percent of the voting Members, a referendum on any action or policy will be conducted by the Board of Directors, using mail or electronic ballot to the Members. The polls shall close after 30 days of the date of the start of the voting. If two thirds of the Members voting by mail or electronic ballot approve the proposal, it shall then be enacted by the Board of Directors.

Division 56 –

ARTICLE VI NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

A. Officers of the Division shall be elected by a plurality vote of the members on a mail or electronic ballot on which the names shall appear in alphabetical order. The Hare system of ranking candidates shall be utilized.