

On December 4, 2004, the General Body adopted the following amendments to the by-laws :

Article 4.

Change current Section 1 to

Section 1. Officers

The affairs of the Society shall be managed by a Board of Directors, hereafter referred to as the Board, consisting of the following Officers:

President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer,
Director (Marketing and Publicity),
Director (Resources and Development),
Director (Publications and Outreach),
Director (1), Director (2)

Change current Section 3 to

Section 3. Terms of office

The terms of office of the President and President-Elect shall generally be for one year or until the next Election Meeting.

The President-Elect shall automatically become the President at the close of the next Election Meeting.

The terms of office of each of the other Directors shall be for two years or until a successor is elected.

The terms of all Officers shall begin at the close of the Election Meeting at which they are elected.

Change current Section 5 to

Section 5. Vacancy

1. President

If the Presidency falls vacant for any reason, the President-Elect shall act as the President for the remainder of the term and shall become the President at the close of the next Election Meeting.

The acting President shall appoint within four (4) weeks of the arising of such vacancy on the Board, a member of the Society to fill the vacancy on the Board for the remainder of the term, subject to the majority consent of the Board.

This person shall only hold the title of a Director of the Board and perform any duties assigned by the President.

The member so chosen for appointment shall not already have been an Officer on the current Board, and shall, in addition fulfill the other conditions of eligibility of Officers described in Section 2 of this article.

The members of the Society shall be informed of the changes within four (4) weeks of the date of the appointment.

2. President-Elect If the President-Elect position falls vacant, the President shall appoint within four (4) weeks of the arising of such a vacancy on the Board, a member of the Society to fill the vacancy in the Board for the remainder of the term, subject to the majority consent of the Board. This person shall only hold the title of a Director of the Board and perform any duties assigned

by the President. The member so chosen for appointment shall not already have been an Officer on the current Board, and shall, in addition fulfill the other conditions of eligibility of Officers described in Section 2 of this article. The members of the Society shall be informed of the appointment within four (4) weeks of the date of the appointment. Also there shall be an election for the office of the President at the next Election Meeting along with the other offices described in Article 6, Section 2.

3. If both the President and the President-Elect positions fall vacant, a special Election Meeting shall be held within four (4) weeks of such vacancies to elect a President to fill the remainder of the term of the President. The meeting shall be called by the Secretary. The person elected shall continue as the President after the close of the next Election Meeting. To fill the vacancy of the office of the President-Elect, the President shall appoint within four (4) weeks of the arising of such a vacancy on the Board, a member of the Society to fill the vacancy in the Board for the remainder of the term, subject to the majority consent of the Board. This person shall only hold the title of a Director of the Board and perform any duties assigned by the President. The member so chosen for appointment shall not already have been an Officer on the current Board, and shall, in addition fulfill the other conditions of eligibility of Officers described in Section 2 of this article. The members of the Society shall be informed of the appointment within four (4) weeks of the date of the appointment

Exception: If the two vacancies occur within three (3) months of the next Election Meeting, the members of the Board shall elect one amongst themselves to act as the President, and the members of the Society shall be informed of the appointment within four (4) weeks of the date of the appointment. There shall be an election for the office of President at the next Election Meeting along with the other offices described in Article 6, Section 2.

Renumber old 2. to 4

4. Other Officers

[No change for this sub section.]

Change current Section 6. to Section 6. Duties of Officers

1. President

[No change]

Change current 2 to

2. President-Elect

- Assist the President in the overall discharge of his/her duties, and in particular, in developing and maintaining public relations
- Work with the Director (Resources and Development) and be in charge of publicity efforts to maintain and enlarge membership
- Present an activities report at the Election Meeting
- Function as President in the latter's absence
- Along with the President, manage all tasks related to event production including contracts with the artists, cosponsors, technical requirements for the event, hosting and local hospitality for the artists, event execution.
- Perform any duties assigned by the President

Change current 3. to

3. Secretary

- Keep minutes of the Board meetings
- Take charge of all documents belonging to the Society when requested
- Maintain an up-to-date list of all members, officers, and members of various committees of the Society
- Notify officers and members of all meetings and other activities of the Society
- Perform any duties assigned by the President

Change 4 to

4. Director (Marketing and Publicity)

- Plan and implement all marketing effort
- Manage publicity in the print and electronic media
- Work with the President in all efforts towards improving the image of the Society with the community at large
- Work with the Director (Publications and Outreach)
- Perform any duties assigned by the President

Change current 6. to

6. Director (Resources and Development)

- Be the chair of the Resources and Development Committee
- Assist the President-Elect in membership drives
- Identify sources of funding agencies including individuals and benefactors
- Work with funding agencies to improve the financial strength of the Society
- Work toward the long range development of the Society
- Perform any duties assigned by the President

[New] 7. Director (Publications and Outreach)

- Be the chair of the Publications and Outreach Committee
- Responsible for all print and electronic publications of the Society
- Responsible for the Society's website maintenance and development
- Develop contact with area school, colleges, and cultural institutions and propagate the Indian classical music and dance among them
- Coordinate with local music and dance teachers, visiting artistes and scholars and develop the Society's mission of fostering Indian classical music and dance
- Perform any duties assigned by the President

[New] 8. Director (1)

- Work with the rest of the Officers of the Board in promoting the programs of the Society
- Perform any duties assigned by the President

[New] 9. Director (2)

- Work with the rest of the Officers of the Board in promoting the programs of the Society
- Perform any duties assigned by the President

Article 5 Committees

Change current Section 1 to

Section 1. Resources and Development Committee

Change 1. to

1. A Resources and Development Committee shall be appointed by the President in consultation with the Director (Resources and Development), promptly after the Election Meeting at which the Director (Resources and Development) is elected.
It shall be composed of Director (Resources and Development), and the Treasurer (both ex-officio) and three (3) other members.

Change current 2 to

2. The term of office of each appointed member of Resources and Development Committee shall be two (2) years or until a successor is appointed.

Renumber old 2. to 3.

3. Change Resources to Resources and Development
[This subsection lists the expectations of the R&D committee - no change]
4. The Director (Resources and Development) shall be the Chair of the Resources and Development Committee

5. Any vacancies in the Resources and Development Committee of the appointed members shall be filled by the President in consultation with the Director (Resources and Development)
6. The Resources and Development Committee shall report to the Board on a regular basis.

Renumber old 5. as

7. A report of the Resources and Development Committee shall be presented at the Election Meeting by an authorized member of the Committee

Delete Old Section 2. Transition Committee

[New] Section 2. Publications and Outreach Committee

1. A Publications and Outreach Committee shall be formed by the President in consultation with the Director (Publications and Outreach), promptly after the Election Meeting at which the Director (Publications and Outreach) is elected. It shall be composed of the Director (Publications and Outreach) (ex-officio) and two to four (2-4) other members.
2. The term of office of each appointed member of the Publications and Outreach Committee shall be two (2) years or until a successor is appointed.
3. The Publications and Outreach Committee shall
 - Be responsible for all the Society's print publications including but not limited to periodical newsletters, souvenirs as needed, any book publications of the Society
 - Maintain the Society's website on the Internet and enhance it as warranted
 - Any other activities needed to enhance communication between the Society and the members
 - Keep an inventory of all electronic and audio products of the Society pertaining to the SRUTI concert recordings
4. The Publications and Outreach Committee shall develop materials and make recommendations to the Board concerning
 - Reaching out to the educational institutions in the area to propagate Indian music and dance
 - Working with other cultural organizations in the area to enrich the cultural life of the community
 - Any other activities that enhance the effectiveness and standing of the Society in the area.
5. The Director (Publications and Outreach) shall be the Chair of the Publications and Outreach Committee

6. Any vacancies in the Publications and Outreach Committee of the appointed members shall be filled by the President in consultation with the Director (Publications and Outreach)
7. The Publications and Outreach Committee shall report to the Board on a regular basis.
8. A report of the Publications and Outreach Committee shall be presented at the Election Meeting by an authorized member of the Committee

Section 3.

Delete: Each committee shall elect its chair from among its members

Article 6

Section 1. Election Meeting

Change current 1. to

1. A general meeting of the Society shall normally be held once a year at a time and place decided by the Board for the purpose of electing new officers of the Society.

This meeting shall be known as the Election Meeting.

Financial and Activities reports of the Society for the term shall also be presented at this meeting by duly authorized officers of the Board, the Resources and Development Committee, and the Publications and Outreach Committee.

Change current 2. to

2. An Election Meeting may also be held in the event that, during the normal term, five vacancies have been filled within six (6) months after the last election. The election would be for the offices which were filled to replace previously elected officers and shall be for the remainder of the respective terms of those offices.

[No changes in the rest of the sub sections 3-5]

Section 2. Election of Officers

Change current 1. to

1. At the first application of these amendments elections shall be held for all the nine offices.

Subsequently elections for the offices of the Board shall alternate per the following scheme

(a) President-elect, Secretary, Director (Publications and Outreach),
Director (Marketing and Publicity), Director (1)

(b) President-elect, Treasurer, Director (Resources and Development), Director (2)

Exceptions:

(a) Election for the office of the President shall be held when needed as described in Article 4, Section 5.2

(b) If at any time elections are held for the full Board, the above sequence of elections would be followed.

[No changes for the rest of the Article 6]