Changes to the PSPE Constitution and Bylaws are required as a result of the Integrated Affiliate State Society Agreement. This document provides the bare minimum of changes needed to implement that agreement, plus two other minor updates to the Constitution (since a change to the Constitution is required).

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE II – HEADQUARTERS

SECTION 1. The Corporation-Society <<this is the only place “Corporation appears”>> shall maintain an office to be recognized by all members and designated as “State Headquarters” of the Society.

ARTICLE III – OBJECTIVES

SECTION 1. The objectives of this Society shall be to:

a. Advance and promote the public health, safety, and welfare. <<consistent with our normal usage>>

All remaining items in Section 1 are unchanged.

ARTICLE VI – DUES

LATEST REVISION: September 2000

SECTION 1. The Integrated Affiliated State Society agreement provides for a division of dues between NSPE and the Society as defined in the Bylaws. The annual dues of the Society shall be determined by the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Bylaws. Dues for the various grades of membership shall be in addition to NSPE’s and shall include a subscription to the Society publication.
BYLAWS

BYLAW 1 – MEMBERSHIP
LATEST REVISION: September 20, 2014

SECTION 1. Membership applications may be received at the state or Chapter level and forwarded to NSPE for eligibility reviews and processing. If deemed to be eligible for membership by NSPE, the applicant shall be added to the rolls at the Chapter, state and national levels. The Society has entered into a NSPE-State Society Agreement with NSPE under which the Society has selected to be an Integrated Affiliated State Society. This unified membership includes:

a. National membership in NSPE and membership in one State Society for professional members, offered at a society-wide, single dues price point;
b. The establishment and maintenance of a single membership administration and billing system managed by and the responsibility of NSPE;
c. The Society may create, support and administer categories of membership solely at the state level for those individuals or businesses that do not otherwise qualify for membership in one of the categories as defined by the NSPE Bylaws.

SECTION 2. Membership in the Society imposes the obligation to uphold the honor and dignity of the engineering profession. It is therefore required of members to be familiar with ethical and legal standards, to observe them, to aid in preventing violations by others and to be familiar with the Society’s policies and procedures relating to handling of alleged violations.

SECTION 3. Violation of the Society Constitution and Bylaws, the Code of Ethics, or for conviction of a felony shall be considered as just cause for discipline as hereinafter provided. In disciplinary matters, the Board may also: (a) authorize joint action with other state societies; (b) waive jurisdiction to another state society; or (c) request the assistance of NSPE where, in the Board’s judgment, the circumstances warrant.

SECTION 4. The membership grades as shall be as set forth in the NSPE Bylaws and Operating Procedures. All members shall abide by the Constitution and Bylaws and the Code of Ethics and who shall be subject to election, discipline, suspension or termination as provided in the Bylaws.

SECTION 5. All members other than Honorary Members, Graduate Members, and Student Members shall have voting privileges. Only Licensed Members may hold the offices of President and President-Elect; only Licensed Members, Members, and Fellow Members may vote on Constitutional changes; and only Licensed Members and Members may hold other elected offices.

SECTION 6. A member shall become eligible for life-member status with waiver of dues if the person has been a continuous member of NSPE for a period of 40 years and is at least 65 years of age. Application for life-member status may be made to the Board personally by the member or by the member's chapter.

SECTION 7. A Member shall be eligible for Retired-Member status if the person has been a continuous member of NSPE for a period of 25 years, is at least 65 years of age, and has retired from active practice. For these purposes, active practice shall mean providing engineering
consultation totaling more than 300 hours in a given calendar year. A retired-member shall pay one-half dues annually until life-member status requirements are met. Application for retired-member status may be made to the Board personally by any member who meets the eligibility requirements or by the member's chapter.

SECTION 8. Should the registration as a professional engineer of a Licensed Member be revoked for any reason, the person shall automatically cease to hold the Licensed Member grade in the Society. In the case of Licensed Members with life-member or retired-member status, reclassification to Member will be made if eligible.

**BYLAW 3 – CHAPTERS**

LATEST REVISION: May 26, 2000

*Sections 1 through 4 of Bylaws 3 are unchanged*

**SECTION 5.** The annual chapter dues shall be determined by the Society as set in the Operating Procedures.

**BYLAW 6 – DUES**

LATEST REVISION: September 20, 2014

**SECTION 1.** Dues are for a period of 12 consecutive calendar months and shall become due on the member's anniversary date.

**SECTION 2.** The division of dues between NSPE and the Society is based upon service/capacity tiers and placement within tiers. The placement within tiers shall be reviewed and modified in consultation between NSPE and the Society at the conclusion of odd-numbered fiscal years and may be adjusted between regular reviews if and when a material change in Society circumstances occur.

The annual dues for all grades of membership shall be prescribed by the Board and may be changed by an affirmative vote of a majority present and voting at a meeting of the Board; provided that the details of the proposed change in dues shall be furnished to each member of the Board at least 20 days before the meeting at which a vote on the proposed change will be taken. The Executive Director shall promptly advise NSPE of any changes to the annual dues.

*All remaining sections of Bylaw 6 are unchanged.*