

# **The Constitution of the MIT Power Electronics Society**

## **Article I: Purpose**

The purpose of the *Power Electronics Society* is to promote and facilitate research related to power electronics.

## **Article II: Membership**

1. Anyone is eligible to become a member of this organization.
2. One is considered a member of this organization in any given academic term if subscribed to any Power Electronics Society mailing list at any point during the term.
3. The organization's membership will at all times consist of at least 5 MIT students and be more than half MIT students.
4. This organization will not discriminate based on any characteristic listed in MIT's Nondiscrimination Statement.
5. This organization will not charge any monetary dues.

## **Article III: Officers**

1. The Power Electronics Society has two officers:
  - a. President
    1. The president shall be the official representative of the group to any other organization and to MIT.
    2. The president must attend all meetings.
  - b. Treasurer
    1. The treasurer is responsible for the finances of the group.
    2. The treasurer is required to sign all checks/vouchers of the group.
2. All officers of this organization must be distinct current MIT students.
3. Elections:
  - a. Elections of officers shall occur at the first meeting following a vacancy in any officer position.
  - b. All officer positions shall become vacant on the first day of each calendar year.
  - c. Any member is eligible to run for any office.
  - d. Quorum for elections is four members.
  - e. An officer is elected by a majority vote.
  - f. If more than two people are running and no one wins a majority, then the person with the fewest votes is dropped from the ballot and votes are recast.
  - g. The term of office is one calendar year.
4. Removal: Officers may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the members.

## **Article IV: Meetings**

1. Meetings shall be held at least every month.
2. Meeting times and locations must be announced at least three weeks in advance.
3. All decisions shall be made by a majority vote of all members present.
4. Quorum for a meeting is four members.

## **Article V: Amendments**

1. Amendments can be presented by any member of the organization at any meeting.
2. Amendments shall be passed by a two-thirds voted of the members present.
3. Quorum for amending this constitution is four members.

## **Article VI: ASA Governance Clause**

The *MIT Power Electronics Society* agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of the Association of Student Activities, and its executive board. This constitution, amendments to it, and the by-laws of this organization shall be subject to review by the ASA Executive Board to ensure that they are in accordance with the aforementioned rules and regulations.