

System Dynamics Society Policy Council Meeting

Report of the Organization and By-Laws Committee

July 15,2011

The Organization and By-laws Committee has been reconstituted and now comprises Brad Morrison (Chair), Bob Eberlein, and Roberta Spencer.

In addition to the ongoing role of this committee in monitoring practices of the Policy Council to identify and resolve any inconsistencies with our by-laws and policies, we are undertaking a one-time project to create current, documented versions of our by-laws document and our policies document. Rather than reconstructing all of the historical evolution of these two documents over the past decades of Policy Council actions, we have elected to update the existing documents to bring them into agreement with what we perceive to be current practice. The end deliverable will be a new set of these two documents that we will present to the Policy Council for adoption.

The Committee has been working largely by telephone and email over the past several months. The updating task is substantially complete, with a draft of each of the two documents now circulating among the Committee for final edits. We will make these drafts available to anyone interested. The final drafts will be posted in advance of the next Policy Council meeting in order to support a motion to adopt the new versions.

Respectfully submitted,

For the Organization and By-laws Committee

Brad Morrison, Secretary