Part 1. Name

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the Forensic Society

The Forensic Society will encourage, support and sponsor both curricular and co-curricular oral communication which will empower local San Diego students to be productive participants in American society and the global community.

Part 2. Mission Statement

To accomplish this, we adopt the following goals:

1. Every student we work with will participate in communication activities which promote self-worth and self-esteem.

2. Every student we work with will develop the critical and analytical thinking skills necessary for academic success.

3. Every student we work with will develop the skills necessary for success in a competitive environment.

4. Every student we work with will develop the interpersonal skills necessary for productive employment.

5. Every student we work with will develop the oral communication skills necessary for effective public presentations.

6. Every student we work with will develop the listening skills necessary for reaching informed decisions.

7. Every student we work with will develop skills necessary for the peaceful resolution of conflict.

8. Every student we work with will develop interpersonal skills necessary for establishing understanding among members of a diverse society.

9. Every student we work with will develop the communication skills necessary for effective and active participation in a democratic society.

10. Every student we work with will demonstrate ethical responsibility in the acquisition and practice of communication skills.

Part 3. Non-profit student organization statement

The Forensic Society is a non-profit student organization.

Part 4. Membership

Section 1. Membership shall be open to all UCSD graduate and professional students.

Section 2. No membership fees are collected

Part 5. Frequency of the organization meetings.

Section 1. The Forensic Society shall hold a general meeting each quarter. Notification of the time and place and agenda of this meeting shall be included in the membership e-mail sent to all members.

Section 2. Each member shall be responsible for the attendance of meetings.

Section 3. The President or a quorum shall be empowered to call meetings.

Part 6. Elections.

Section 1. The President, the Vice President and the treasurer shall be elected from among and by the members of the organization at the first meeting of each calendar year before February 1st. They may be elected for more than one term and must declare for candidacy by no later than the time the election will be held. Only those people who declare may be elected. The term of office shall be one year from February 1st to January 31st of the following year.

Part 7. Robert Rules of Order

Section 1. The Forensic Society shall follow the 10th edition version of Robert Rules of Order.

Section 2. For the purpose of conducting meetings and any and all business, the presence of a quorum shall be established at the roll call, which quorum shall be sufficient for the continuance of the meeting and conduct of business until such time as the meeting is adjourned. Should the members present at any time after the establishment of a quorum be less than two-thirds of the total voting membership possible, the meeting may continue at the discretion of a majority of the members present, but business may no longer be conducted until a quorum is re-established.