



Constitution

Objectives:

1. To promote the study of and research in the cultures and texts of young people, in Canada and internationally, across a range of disciplines, and to build an understanding of such scholarship that defines “young people,” “culture,” and “text” broadly.
2. To create interdisciplinary spaces to exchange research on the cultures and texts of young people; to create opportunities for collaborations.

Membership:

1. Any cultural producer, academic, professional, or interested person engaged in the production, research, teaching, or study of young people’s texts and cultures shall be eligible for membership.
2. The personal liability of all members is limited to the amount of their annual subscription.
3. For the purposes of membership a year shall run from 1 January to 31 December.

Meetings:

There shall be an annual general meeting held at the time of the meetings of the Congress of the Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences, and other meetings at the call of the Executive. The agenda for a meeting shall be distributed to the membership two weeks before the meeting. Meetings will be conducted by *Robert’s Rules of Order* unless otherwise determined.

Executive:

The membership of the Executive will normally consist of six persons:

- A. two members at large, elected for two-year terms;
- B. a graduate student representative;
- C. a Secretary-Treasurer, elected for a two-year term;
- D. either a Past-President (for one year after the completion of his or her term as President or a Vice-President (elected for the second year of the current President’s term);

- E. the President of the Association, who assumes office for a two-year term by virtue of having been elected Vice-President the previous year.

The Executive shall be responsible for presenting nominations for officers to be elected at the annual general meeting to fill vacancies caused by either completion of term or resignation. Suggestions for nomination shall be solicited from the membership. A list of nominations shall be sent to the membership before the general meeting.

Amendment of the Constitution:

Members may propose amendments to the Constitution. Proposed amendments must bear the signatures of ten members of the association, must be submitted to the President by 15 March preceding the AGM and circulated with the agenda for that meeting. A motion calling for a mail ballot of any duly proposed amendment will be presented to the AGM; if that motion passes by a simple majority of those present, the mail ballot of the membership will be held between the September and May following the AGM. A two-thirds majority of those voting in the mail ballot will be required for the adoption of the amendment.