



Student Radio in Sweden – bylaws

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Company

§ 1 The association's name is Student Radio in Sweden, abbreviated SRS. The signatories for the association are the Chairman and treasurer. Each can sign on behalf of SRS individually. The Board may appoint other signatories. The SRS office is in Uppsala, Sweden.

Purpose

§ 2 SRS is politically and religiously independent. Its purpose is to promote student radio operations in Sweden. SRS operates according to democratic principles.

§ 3 The main tasks of SRS are to represent its member associations nationally and internationally; to act as a network of member associations and strengthen cooperation between them; and to support the member associations and serve as a nexus of shared knowledge.

Student Radio operations

§ 4 SRS is aimed at radio production organizations of and for students at post-secondary school colleges and universities.

Fiscal year

§ 5 The SRS fiscal year covers the period 1 January and 31 December.

Membership

§ 6 SRS membership encompasses all individual members of the SRS member associations.

§ 7 SRS includes two different types of membership: Basic membership and full membership.

§ 8 Transposition of basic and full membership as well as the conversion of basic membership to full membership takes place at an ordinary general meeting.

§ 9 Basic Membership

Basic membership is for radio producers

Radio producers are those that regularly produce only podcasts or other types of listen-on-demand productions.

§ 9: 1 Requirements

Payment of annual membership dues, as well as representation costs.

Abide by SRS statutes and respect the stated purpose of SRS

Being a politically- and religiously-unaffiliated and non-profit organization

Actively promote student radio operations

Have a democratic organizational structure

§ 9: 2 Basic members that meet the conditions stated in § 9: 1 above have the following rights:

- Receiving the calls for SRS general meetings and board meetings
- Right to vote with one (1) vote at the general meeting to which a member association itself appoints a representative.
- To be adjoined to SRS board meetings
- To express opinions and claim rights at general meetings and board meetings
- To have access to SRS bylaws, minutes and other documents.
- To have proposals considered at the general meetings
- To stand for election for SRS positions of trust
- To receive basic financial support

§ 10 Full membership

Full membership is for radio stations

Radio stations are organizations that broadcast multiple produced segments on a weekly basis via FM or internet radio

§ 10: 1 Requirements

- Payment of annual membership dues, as well as representation costs.
- Abide by SRS statutes and respect the stated purpose of SRS
- Being a politically- and religiously-unaffiliated and non-profit organization
- Actively promote student radio operations
- Have a democratic organizational structure
- To be an active participant in broadcasting student radio in Sweden

§10: 2 full members that meet the conditions of § 10: 1 above have the following rights:

- Receiving the calls for SRS general meetings and board meetings
- Right to vote with one (1) vote at the general meeting to which a member association itself appoints a representative.
- To be adjoined to SRS board meetings
- To express opinions and claim rights at general meetings and board meetings
- To have access to SRS bylaws, minutes and other documents.
- To have proposals considered at the general meetings
- To stand for election for SRS positions of trust
- To receive basic financial support

§ 11 An exemption for late payment of dues can be applied for if there is a valid reason. A motion seeking an exemption must be presented to the SRS board by the Member Association, and is accepted or denied by the board at a board meeting.

§ 12 Membership is valid until withdrawal according to § 13 or exclusion under § 14 below

§ 13 Member associations are free to at any time to withdraw from SRS through written notice to the SRS board.

Membership dues are not refundable.

§ 14 The general meeting has the right to exclude member associations that violate SRS statutes or regulations that have been decided upon at a general meeting. A decision on the exclusion of a member association shall require at least two-thirds majority. Membership dues are not refundable in the case of exclusion.

Board

§ 15 Those electable to the SRS board are members under § 9: 2 and § 10

§ 16 The SRS board consists of a chairman, vice chairman, treasurer and four or six additional members. The board is elected at the annual meeting.

§ 17 The board is responsible for implementing the operational plan.

§ 18 The SRS presidium consists of the President, Vice President and Treasurer.

§ 19 The presidium leads SRS operating activities.

§ 20 The board has overall financial responsibility for the association. The board may impose elected with financial responsibility for certain activities.

§ 21 The board's term follows the association's fiscal year.

Nomination Committee

§ 22 The Nomination Committee shall consist of three members, one of which is the convener and holds the deciding vote in the nomination process.

§ 23 The Nomination Committee shall to the annual meeting propose board members, the auditor and the next Nomination Committee, as well as make recommendations for any other potential SRS office holders or staff.

§ 24 Those electable for the Nomination Committee are members of SRS according to § 9: 2 & § 10: 2

General meetings

§ 25 The general meetings that take place are the annual meeting and members meeting.

§ 26 At general meetings, each member association has one (1) vote according to § 9: 2 and § 10

§ 27 General meeting calls shall be sent by the presidium to all member associations at least four (4) weeks in advance.

The proposed agenda, motions and other meeting documents will be distributed by the presidium, and shall have been received by all member associations, no later than two (2) weeks before the meeting. Motions must be received by the presidium no later than (3) three weeks before the general meeting.

§ 28 Membership meetings shall be held at least once a year, though always one in April.

§ 29 The annual meeting shall be held once a year, in October. At the annual meeting, the following subjects are taken up:

- a) Election of chairman
- b) Election of meeting secretary
- c) Election of two (2) adjusters to count votes
- d) Ask if the meeting was properly announced
- e) Establishment of the voting roll
- f) Approval of the agenda
- g) Treatment of motions
- h) Confirmation of the annual report for the previous fiscal year
- i) Confirmation of the auditor's report for the previous fiscal year
- j) Decision on discharge for the previous board
- k) Confirmation of the operational plan for the coming fiscal year
- l) Confirmation of the budget for the coming fiscal year
- m) Election of the Presidium

- n) Selection of the number of board members
- o) Election of board members
- p) Election of auditors (internal and authorized)
- q) Election of Nomination Committee
- r) Confirmation of membership

§ 30 Extraordinary general meetings can be called by the board, the auditor, or if at least half of the member associations so requests. At the extraordinary general meeting, points A to F according to § 29 shall in particular be taken up, as well as any additional items requested by those calling for the meeting.

§ 31 Special elections to fill an empty position may be called at ordinary or extraordinary general meetings.

Audit

§ 32 SRS is to have a chartered accountant who audits the accounts for the previous fiscal year, and an internal auditor who reviews the board's management of the association. The auditors will write an audit report submitted to the SRS board at least three (3) weeks before the annual meeting.

§ 33 Auditors have the right to continuously access SRS accounts, minutes and other documents. The internal auditor has the right to be called to all board meetings.

Decision

§ 34 Decisions are taken by simple majority unless otherwise stated in the bylaws. The chairman casts the deciding vote in the case of a tie vote. Closed ballots should be provided for votes on positions of trust if anyone entitled to vote so requests.

§ 35 In the case of discharge for the board, the latter does not have any voting rights. Therefore board members cannot be included in the electoral roll at the annual meeting. In the case of tie votes during the annual meeting, the vote in question is postponed until an extraordinary annual meeting can be called before the end of the calendar year.

§ 36 Voting can take place electronically.

Changing the bylaws

§ 37 Amendments to the bylaws take place through a qualified majority of 2/3 of the votes at a general meeting. In the case of changing the bylaws, it should be specifically noted in the call to the meeting, together with details of the proposed amendment.

Dissolution of the association

§ 38 The association may be dissolved through a decision made by 4/5 majority vote at two (2) successive general meetings that are at least four (4) weeks apart, of which at least one is regular general meeting. If the question of dissolving the association is to be taken up at a general meeting, this must be mentioned specifically in the call to the meeting. If a decision to dissolve the association is made, any remaining assets should be used to promote student radio operations. The board shall appoint managers to handle the dissolution.