

Constitution

Northern California Committee of Correspondence for Democracy and Socialism

**Ratified by the March 13, 2004, Annual Membership Meeting
Amended by the September 9, 2012 Membership Meeting
Amended by June 18, 2016 membership meeting – to amend Article VII to remove the word
“annual” in three places in reference to membership meetings.**

Article I. This organization shall be named the Northern California Committee of Correspondence for Democracy and Socialism.

Article II. The purpose of this organization is to support the cause of those who struggle for peace, justice, democracy, equality and socialism.

Article III. Membership

Section 1. Membership shall be open to all regardless of race, color, national origin, citizenship, creed, sex, sexual orientation, religion, age or disability, who endorse the purpose of this organization and reside in Northern California.

Section 2. Membership is established by the payment of annual dues, as set in the national dues structure, to the national organization to which this regional organization is chartered.

Article IV. Officers

Section 1. Elected officers are the Chair, Treasurer and Recording Secretary.

Section 2. The organization may elect to have the Coordinating Committee appoint the Chair and Recording Secretary.

Article V. Coordinating Committee

Section 1. The voting members of the Coordinating Committee are elected officers, members representing chapters and members elected at large by the general membership. The total number of members elected at large is 10.

Section 2. All general members may attend a meeting of the Coordinating Committee but cannot vote.

Article VI. Meetings

Section 1. Regular meetings of the Coordinating Committee are once a month.

Section 2. Special meetings are called by approval of the majority of the Coordinating Committee or a majority vote of the general membership.

Section 3. A membership meeting should be called every year to draw up a plan of work and elect officers and Coordinating Committee members. The time and place of the meeting is to be set by a majority of the Coordinating Committee at least two months prior to the date.

Article VII. Method to Amend the Constitution

Section 1. The constitution may be amended by a majority vote at ~~an annual~~ a membership meeting if the proposed amendments are mailed to members one month in advance of the ~~annual~~ membership meeting. If presented from the floor without advance notice, proposed amendments must be passed by a three-fourths vote at ~~an annual~~ a membership meeting.

Section 2. Vacancies among the at-large members of the Coordinating Committee may be filled by a majority vote of the Coordinating Committee.