Singapore Association of Writers

# CONSTITUTION SINGAPORE ASSOCIATION OF WRITERS

#### 新加坡作家协会章程 (2006年修定)

	CHAPTER 1 - GENERAL		第1章 - 总则
Article 01	This Association shall be known as "The Singapore Association of Writers".	第1条	本会定名为"新加坡作家协会"
Article 02	Its place of business shall be at: 13-B Smith Street Singapore 058927, or at any other place decided by the Executive Council subject to the approval of the Registrar of Societies.	第2条	本会注册地址设在: 13B, Smith Street, Singapore 058927 或由执行理事会决定,并经社团注册局批准的任何其他地址。
Article 03	<ul> <li>The objects of this Association shall be:-</li> <li>(1) To promote creative literary works and the study of literary theories in order to raise the literary standard of the nation;</li> <li>(2) To liaise with writers in the Republic in order to promote the development of literature in this country by joint efforts;</li> <li>(3) To liaise with writers of other countries in order to provide understanding of, and information on, literary activities in various countries; and</li> <li>(4) To safeguard the interests of members and look after their welfare.</li> </ul>	第3条	本会的宗旨为: (1)促进文学创作及文学理论研究,以提高国家的文学水平; (2)联系共和国的作家,以促进本国的文学发展; (3)联系其他国家的作家,以了解及提供各国的文学活动;及 (4)保障会员的权益及照顾他们的福利。

	CHAPTER 2 - MEMBERSHIP		第2章 - 会籍
Article 04	All those Singapore Citizens or Permanent Residents who endorse the objects of this Association and published books of literary works (such as poems, stories, plays, essays or literary dissertations) or books of literary researches or who have published a certain amount of literary works or literary researches articles may become members of this Association on the recommendation of two members and upon approval of the Executive Council.	第4条	凡新加坡公民或永久居民,如赞同本会宗旨,出版过文学作品(诸如诗歌、小说、戏剧、散文、文学评论等)或文学研究的书籍,或发表过相当数量的文学作品、文学研究或评论,在两名会员的推荐及执行理事会议通过后,可成为本会的会员。
Article 05	For a new member's application, the applicant is required to pay a one-time non-refundable subscription fee of S\$200 and with the approval of the Executive Council, will become the member of this Association. The term of membership is permanent. A member who wishes to withdraw his membership shall inform the Executive Council in writing.	第 5 条	新申请入会的会员须一次过缴交入会费(不能退回)S\$200, 及经执行理事会批准后即成为正式会员。会员制是永久性质的。往后会员欲退会,必须书面通知执行理事会。
Article 06	Members shall abide by this Constitution and the resolutions of the Association. They shall pay subscription fee and other dues to the Association, if any.	第6条	会员必须遵守本会的章程及本会的决议。会员也 必须缴交任何与本会有关的款项。
	Members shall notify the Association of any change in particulars (such as mailing address and contact phone number). The Association will make periodical update of members' particulars. Members who fail to provide latest updates, after 2 consecutive reminders (within a year) by the Association, shall not qualify for the rights mentioned in Article 07. Member may appeal to the Executive Council with an appropriate reason.		会员必须通知我会有关个人资料(如通讯处及电话号码)的更新/更改。本会会定期更新会员有关资料,若在一年之内本会连续 2 次发出通知后而没有收到会员的回复,该会员将不能享有第 7 条所列之权利。会员可向执行理事会提出上诉。
Article 07	Members shall have the right to elect or to be elected and to propose resolutions as well as enjoy other prescribed privileges.	第7条	会员有推选或被选及提出议案的权利,和享有其他规定的权益。
Article 08	Any member who has contravened this Constitution or any resolution/decision of this Association or failed to pay any outstanding fee/payment dues to the Association, without furnishing any reason in writing shall have his membership revoked by the Executive Council. The member involved may appeal to the General Meeting of members against such a decision.	第 8 条	任何会员如违犯本会章程,或本会的任何决议,或拖欠本会的款项,执行理事会可取消其会员资格;该会员倘若不接受,可向会员大会上诉。

Article 09	A Singapore student (from secondary school, junior college or equivalent), who is interested in literary works and achieved adequate standard, with nomination proposed by a member of the Association or his teacher, and also with the approval of the Association's Executive Council, can become a student member of the Association. Such student member is not eligible to vote or to be elected to the Executive Council. Upon leaving school, the student membership will be ceased.	第9条	凡对文学有兴趣并达到一定的写作水平的新加坡学生(中学、初院或同等学府),如获得一位本会会员或其老师的推荐,经执行理事会议通过后,可成为本会的学生会员。学生会员会员没投票或被推选为执行理事的权利。当该学生会员离开学校后,将自动停止其学生会员籍。
Article 10	Persons of renown and who have made substantial contributions to the work of the Association may be invited by the Council to become Honorary Advisor, Council Advisor, Legal Advisor, Academic Advisor, Honorary President, Honorary Council Chairmen, Honorary Councilors of the Association, or other appointments determined by the Executive Council. The Advisors and Honorary appointment holders shall have a tenure of office only as long as that of the Council which so elects them or not more than 2 years, they can be re-invited to the Council after each term. The Advisors and Honorary appointment holders may participate in all meetings of the Association but they shall have only the right to speak and not to vote.	第 10 条	凡有声望及对本会会务有极大贡献者,理事会可邀请他们成为本会名誉顾问、会务顾问、法律顾问、学术顾问、名誉会长、名誉理事长、名誉理事等、或其他由理事会通过的职衔,其任期与推选他们的理事会相同,或不超过2年,来届的理事会可以重新邀请他们担任相关的职衔。顾问及名誉职衔者可参加本会的会议,但他们只有发言权,没有投票权。
	<b>CHAPTER 3 - ORGANISATION</b>		第3章 - 组织
Article 11	The General Meeting of members shall be the supreme authority of this Association.	第 11 条	会员大会将为本会的最高权力机关。
Article 12	The Executive Council of this Association shall comprise 15 members to be elected at the General Meeting by secret ballot and 2 members to be coopted by the Council.  The 17 members are: one President, one to three Vice-president, one Secretary, one Assistant Secretary, one Treasurer, one Assistant Treasurer, one Publication officer, one Assistant Publication Officer, One Academic Officer, one Assistant Academic Officer, one General Affairs Officer, one Assistant General Affairs Officer, and 3 (or balance of 17) Council Members, to assist any of the above appointments.	第 12 条	本会的执行理事会包括在会员大会上通过秘密投票而推选的 15 名理事,及 2 名受委理事。 17 名理事为:会长 1 人,副会长 1-3 人,秘书 1人,副秘书 1人,财政 1人,副财政 1人,出版 1人,副出版 1人,学术讲座 1人,副学术讲座 1人,总务 1人,副总务 1人,3人(或其余)为理事,可协助上述任何职位。

Article 13	Members elected into the Executive Council shall by secret ballot elect from amongst themselves the President. The President will then (or at later stage within the term) nominate 2 other members to be co-opted members and from amongst the 16 members nominates all the office-bearers as provided in Article 12 hereof. The nominations are subjected to the approval of the Executive Council.	第 13 条	当选为执行理事会的理事须通过秘密投票从他们当中推选出会长,再由会长(或在较后时段的任期内)委任两位会员为受委理事,并在 16 位人选中分配职位如第 12 条所述,再由执行理事会通过。
Article 14	The President after discussions with the Vice-President will nominate for the Council's approval not exceeding 10 members to be Invited Councilors who shall have a tenure of office only as long as that of the Council which so invites them. Such invited councilors may participate in all the meetings of the Association but they shall have only the power to speak and not to vote.	第 14 条	会长在与副会长磋商后,可以提名不超过 10 位的 受邀理事,由执行理事会通过。受邀理事的任期,与执行理事相同。受邀理事只有发言权,没 有投票权。
Article 15	Members of the Executive Council shall hold office for a term of two years and are eligible for re-election, provided that the Treasurer and the Assistant Treasurer shall not be re-elected to the same or related post for a consecutive term.	第 15 条	执行理事会的理事任期为两年,有资格参加重选。正副财政的职位不得连续2届由同样的人选担任。
Article 16	If in any of the Executive Council meetings, there are more than 13 Councilors (including Co-opt members) who cast through secret ballot a vote of non-confidence against the President, the President will have to step down. The Vice-President will then serve as Acting President until such time when a new Executive Council is elected at the next General Meeting of the Association.	第 16 条	若在任何一次执行理事会的秘密投票中,有超过 13 位理事(包括受委理事)赞同,可以罢免会 长。然后即日起由副会长暂代会长之职,至下届 会员大会选出新的执行理事会为止。
Article 17	An Honorary Auditor (who shall not be a member of the Executive Council) shall be elected at the annual General Meeting for a term of two years, at the end of which he shall not be re-elected.	第 17 条	义务查账(不得为执行理事会的理事)须在常年大会上选出,任期两年,任期告满后,不得被重选。
Article 18	The Executive Council may set up an ad hoc Committee as and when necessary.	第 18 条	执行理事会在必要时,可设立一个特别委员会, 处理特别事务。
Article 19	The Executive Council has power to authorize the expenditure of a sum not exceeding S\$500 per month from the Association's funds for the Association's purposes.	第 19 条	执行理事会有权授权从本会的基金中,开支每月 不超过新币 500 元。

	CHAPTER 4 - AUTHORITIES & DUTIES		第4章 - 权限与义务
Article 20	The Report of the Executive Council, the election of Executive Council members, the Statement of Accounts and other motions or resolutions relating to the affairs of this Association shall be tabled at the General Meeting of members for consideration, adoption or approval.	第 20 条	执行理事会的报告,执行理事会理事的推选,账目报告,及其他有关本会事务的动议或提案,须列在会员大会议程上,俾便考虑,采纳或通过。
Article 21	The Executive Council shall elect from its members the President, the Vice-President and other officials to execute the resolution or resolutions of the General Meeting. It shall also be the responsibility of the Executive Council to plan the affairs of the Association, to raise and collect funds for the Association, to control the funds of the Association and to consider written representations or suggestions from members.	第 21 条	执行理事会须从其理事中推选会长,副会长及其他职员,以执行会员大会的议决案,同时须负起理事会的责任,以拟定会务计划,为本会筹集基金,管理本会的基金及考虑会员的书面意见或建议等。
Article 22	The President shall chair meetings of the Executive Council and Annual General Meetings and supervise the work of the various Sections. He shall also be responsible for external liaison work and sign all out-going documents.	第 22 条	会长将主持理事会与会员大会的会议, 监督各组的工作, 他也将负责对外的联络, 及签署所有的对外文件。
Article 23	The Vice-President shall assist the President in the affairs of the Association. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall act as the Chairman of an Executive Council Meeting or a General Meeting.	第 23 条	副会长将协助会长处理会务。在会长缺席时,副会长将主持理事会及会员大会会议。
Article 24	The Secretary and the Asst Secretary shall be responsible for keeping and distributing documents of the Association, taking custody of the files, records and the seal of the Association, and assist the President and the Vice-President in the external liaison work where necessary.	第 24 条	正副秘书负责保存及分发本会文件,保管文件夹、记录及会印。在必要时,协助会长及副会长对外的联络工作。
Article 25	The Publication Officer and the Asst Publication Officer shall be responsible for all matters relating to publication work.	第 25 条	正副出版主任负责一切有关出版的工作。
Article 26	The Financial Treasurer and the Asst Financial Officer shall be responsible for the collections and the payments of the Association's money and the preparation of the Statement of Accounts.	第 26 条	正副财政负责本会款项的收支及准备账目报告。

Article 27	The Academic Officer and the Asst Academic Officer shall be responsible for all research work, arrangement of seminars/forums, literary awards and training.		正副学术主任负责研究工作,安排座谈会/讲座、文学奖、组织文学培训班等。
Article 28	The General Affairs Officer and the Asst General Affairs Officer shall be responsible for all the publicity, liaison work of the Association and welfare of the members.	210 741	正副总务负责对内对外联络工作,负责会员福利和康乐。
Article 29	The Auditor shall be responsible for checking and auditing the accounts of the Association and shall present a report thereof to the General Meeting.	第 29 条	查账负责核查及审计本会的账目并向常年会员大会提呈报告。
	CHAPTER 5 - MEETINGS		第5章 - 会议
Article 30	A General Meeting of members shall be held annually in the first quarter of the calendar year after the Secretary has given 2 weeks written notice in advance. Motions or resolutions, if any, shall reach the Association in writing at least 1 week before the General Meeting.	第 30 条	会员大会将于每年的首 3 个月内举行。秘书须预 先给会员 2 周的书面通知。动议或提案(如有) 至少须在大会召开的前 1 周,以书面送交到本 会。
Article 31	There shall be more than one quarter of the total number of members eligible to vote present to constitute the quorum of the General Meeting. In the absence of a quorum at the meeting first called, after adjourned for half an hour, one-sixth of the total number of members eligible to vote present at the meeting called the second time shall be adequate to form a quorum, provided that no amendments shall be made to the Constitution at such a meeting.	第 31 条	会员大会现场,有资格投票会员出席的人数超过四分之一出席,即达法定人数。如出席会员大会的法定人数不足,在延后半小时再召开的会员大会中,有六分之一有资格投票会员人数出席,则视为达到足够的法定人数。但在此情况下召开的大会,不得修改章程。
Article 32	A member who is unable to attend the meeting may appoint in writing for another member to act as his representative at the meeting provided that a member present shall represent only one absent member.	第 32 条	如会员不能出席大会,他可以书面委托另一名会员代表他参加。但一名出席的会员只能代表一名缺席的会员。
Article 33	Should there be extraordinary circumstances, or should 12 or more members propose to the effect, the Council may summon an Extraordinary General Meeting, and the Secretary shall inform all members of the Association of such a meeting 3 days before the meeting takes place.	第 33 条	如有特别情况,或有 12 名或更多名会员提出要求召开特别会员大会,执行理事会可召开特别大会,秘书须在大会举行之前 3 天,通知所有的本会会员。
Article 34	The Executive Council shall meet once in 2-3 months of which three days' written notice shall be given by the Secretary. An emergency Executive Council Meeting may be held as and when necessary.	第 34 条	执行理事会须在 2-3 个月期间召开会议一次,秘书须给予 3 天的书面通知,紧急执行理事会会议可在必要时召开。

Article 35 Article 36	More than half of the number of Executive Council members shall be present before the Executive Council Meeting can transact any business.  An Executive Council Member absent at a meeting may appoint in writing another Council member to act as his representative at the meeting provided that a Council member present shall represent only one absent Council member. Any member of the Executive Council who absents himself from 3 consecutive meetings without leave of absence shall cease to be a member of the council and the vacancy thus caused shall be filled by appointment of another member.	第 35 条第 36 条	可处理任何事项。
Article 37	The Secretary shall record proceedings of the Executive Council meetings and Annual General Meetings and prepare minutes thereof.	第 37 条	秘书须记录执行理事会会议与会员大会的进行及准备会议记录。
Article 38	All motions or resolutions at a General Meeting or an Executive Council Meeting shall be agreed to by more than half of those present before they can be considered approved. In the event of an equal number of votes, the chairman shall have a casting vote.	第 38 条	会员大会或执行理事会会议的所有决议或提案, 须获得超过出席会议人数的一半赞同,始可被认 为通过,遇到票数相等时,主席拥有表决权。
	CHAPTER 6 - FUNDS		第6章 - 基金
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Article 39	The funds of the Association shall be derived from the following:-  (a) One-time non-refundable subscription fees of S\$200 per new member.	第 39 条	
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	<ul><li>(a) One-time non-refundable subscription fees of S\$200 per new member.</li><li>(b) External donations to be raised by the Executive Council, if necessary provided that the acceptance of donations from non-members shall be</li></ul>	第 39 条	本会基金将由下列途径筹得: (a)新会员的入会费 S \$ 200 (不能退回)。 (b)在执行理事会认为必要时,可向外募捐,但接受非会员的捐款,必须获得执行理事会的批准。

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<b>CHAPTER 7 - PROHIBITION</b>		第7章 - 禁例
All forms of gambling, such as the playing of Mahjong, whether for money or otherwise, shall be prohibited in the Association premises and no person of undesirable character shall be introduced into the Association premises.	第 42 条	本会严禁任何赌博,如打麻将等,不论有赌注与否,一概不准在本会会所内进行。不良份子也不准被带入本会会所。
The funds of the Association shall not be utilized to pay the fine for any member who has committed an offence.	第 43 条	本会基金不得用作为缴付任何会员犯法的罚款。
The Association shall not take part in or interfere with any trade union activities.	第 44 条	本会不得参加或干预任何职工会的活动。
The Association shall not conduct any lottery either in the name of the Executive Council or in the name of the members, irrespective of whether the lottery is confined to members or not.	第 45 条	本会不得用执行理事会或会员的名义开设幸运抽奖,无论幸运抽奖是否仅限于会员参与。
The Association shall not be involved in any political activities nor shall the funds or premises of the Association be used for any political purpose.	第 46 条	本会不得参与任何政治活动,或利用本会的基金或会所作为任何政治目的用途。
<b>CHAPTER 8 - DISSOLUTION</b>		第8章 - 解散
The Association may only be dissolved with the consent of three fifths of the members eligible to vote for the time being resident in Singapore.	第 47 条	本会只有获得住在新加坡五分之三有资格投票的会员赞同,始能宣布解散。
In the event that the Association is dissolved as provided in the preceding article, all legitimate debts and properties shall be settled. The last General Meeting shall dispose of the balance of the funds, if any.	第 48 条	本会如依上述规定解散时,则本会一切合法债务及产业须加以解决,最后一次会员大会须处理基金的余额(如有)。
If it is decided that the Association shall be dissolved, the Registrar of Societies shall be notified within 7 days thereof.	第 49 条	如果本会决定解散,须于 7 天内通知社团注册官。
CHAPTER 9 - OTHERS		第9章 - 其他
Amendments to this Constitution may be made at the General Meeting, provided that such amendments shall not be implemented before the approval of the Registrar of Societies.	第 50 条	本会章程可在会员大会上进行修改,但这些修改不得在社团注册官批准之前加以实行。
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