SUTTER MEDICAL CENTER, SACRAMENTO HOSPITALS

RULES AND REGULATIONS - GENERAL SURGERY SECTION

DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY

I. PURPOSE

The General Surgery Section is an organized component of the Department of Surgery providing a means for physicians to confer for the purpose of education, quality improvement, and to address administrative problems relating to the practice of general surgery at Sutter Medical Center, Sacramento Hospitals.

II. ORGANIZATION

A. Membership Criteria for General Surgery Section

1. Members of the Department of Surgery who are Board certified or admissible to the Board of Surgery, or who demonstrate equivalent training or experience are eligible for membership in the Section.

B. Officers

1. A Chair will be elected by the members of the Section.
2. A Vice-Chair may be elected to serve in the absence of the Chair.
3. Elections will be at the end of each even year with term of office commencing on the first of each odd year. Elections will either be by mail or at a section meeting where the members have been duly notified of the meeting and agenda and there is at least 25% of the voting members in attendance.
4. Term of office is for two years.

C. Duties of the Chair

1. Duties of the Chair shall be in accordance with the Department of Surgery Rules and Regulations.

III. SECTION RESPONSIBILITY AND AUTHORITY

A. The Section derives authority from the Department of Surgery.

B. The Section shall meet on an as needed basis.

C. Section Rules and Regulations are intended to be read in concert with the Department of Surgery Rules and Regulations.

D. Assisting in evaluating applicants; investigating and disciplining Section members; and quality improvement, under the Direction of the Surgery Quality Improvement/Administrative Committee. These activities shall be accomplished by duly appointed ad hoc committees, or by the Section acting as a committee of the whole.
E. Decisions reached at a section meeting where less than 25% of Active Staff Section members are in attendance will be submitted to the voting members of the section by mailed ballot.

IV. AMENDMENTS TO RULES

A. These Rules and Regulations may be amended by a majority affirmative vote of all ballots cast.

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