Constitution of The Pragmatics Society of Japan

(Abbreviated Version)

Article I. Name and Purpose

- 1. This society shall be called the Pragmatics Society of Japan.
- 2. Its purpose shall be the advancement of pragmatics and related disciplines.
- 3. Activities:

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- 1) organize annual conferences, and special lectures and talks;
- 2) publish Studies in Pragmatics;
- 3) carry out other relevant activities.

Article II. Membership

- 1. There shall be three categories of membership: regular, student, and institutional.
- 2. Any individual or institution in agreement with the purposes of the Society can obtain membership by paying dues.
- 3. All individual members shall be entitled to participate in events organized by the Society and to submit manuscripts for presentation at the Society's annual conference or for publication in the Society's Journal.

Article III. Officers

- 1. The Executive Committee of the Society shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary-General and other officers.
- 2. The President shall serve for two years and serve as chair of the Executive Committee.
- 3. The President, Vice President, and Secretary-General shall be elected from among the members of the Executive Committee.

Article IV. Meetings

- 1. The Society shall hold an annual General Meeting.
- 2. The Executive Committee shall meet at least once a year.

Article V. Fiscal Policy

- 1. The Society shall be financed through membership fees and other donations. An outside audit shall be conducted annually.
- 2. The fiscal year shall start on April 1st and end on March 31st.

Article VI. The Secretariat and Other Committees

1. The Secretariat shall consist of a Secretary-General and one or more assistants. The Secretary-General is responsible for the overall management of the Society.

- 2. The Editorial Board is responsible for publication of the Society's journal.
- 3. The Conference Committee shall be responsible for reviewing conference abstracts, and for other matters related to conference planning and execution.
- 4. The Public Relations Committee shall be responsible for announcing information in the Newsletters and on the Society's web page.