BYLAWS of Law Students for Sensible Drug Policy (LSSDP)
Adopted 4/21/10; revised 6/25/12

Article I Name of Organization
The organization shall be named Law Students for Sensible Drug Policy (LSSDP).

Article II Purpose
LSSDP shall exist to mobilize and empower law students to participate in the political process, pushing for sensible policies to achieve a safer and more just future, while fighting back against counterproductive Drug War policies, particularly those that directly harm students and youth. LSSDP will comply with the Policies and Regulations Applying to College Activities, Organizations and Students.

Article III Membership
Any full-time student at Hastings may become a member. LSSDP will follow the University of California Hastings College of the Law Policy on Nondiscrimination*, which was amended as below on June 7, 2002. There shall be no dues or fees for membership in the organization.
*The College is committed to a policy against legally impermissible, arbitrary or unreasonable discriminatory practices. All groups, including administration, faculty, student governments, College-owned student residence facilities and programs sponsored by the College, are governed by this policy of nondiscrimination. The College’s policy on nondiscrimination is to comply fully with applicable law. UC-Hastings shall not discriminate unlawfully on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, disability, age, sex or sexual orientation. This nondiscrimination policy covers admissions, access and treatment in Hastings-sponsored programs and activities.

Article IV Officers
There shall be four officer positions: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer in addition to two or more board positions. Officer and board positions are open to all members. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by LSSDP. Officer candidates may be nominated by any member. Officers shall be elected by a plurality of members. Officers’ term shall be one academic year, though officers may be re-elected for multiple terms. Elections shall be held at an annual business meeting in April. Officers shall take office immediately upon election, and shall remain in office until their successors are elected. If the office of the president should become vacant for any reason, the vice president shall fill that vacancy for the remainder of the term. If any office other than the president shall become vacant, that vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the president for the remainder of the term.

Article V Meetings
Meetings shall be held at least once per semester. The President shall preside. Four members shall compose a quorum for transacting business. An annual meeting shall be held in April to elect officers. Meetings can be called by the president or by the request of four active members. At least one day’s notice shall be given to all members.

Article VI Parliamentary Authority
The rules contained in the current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the organization may adopt.

Article VII Amendment of Bylaws
These bylaws can be amended at any regular meeting of the organization by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting.