The Utah State University
Emeriti Constitution

Article I
Name and Purpose

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be The Utah State University Emeriti Association. (The USU Emeriti)

Section 2. The purpose of this organization is to promote the interests and welfare of retired employees of Utah State University who are members of The USU Emeriti.

Section 3. To support the USU Alumni Association and provide a sponsored Student Scholarship program.

Article II
Membership

Section 1. All retired faculty, staff and federal collaborators of Utah State University are eligible for membership. Only those who pay the annual dues of the organization are members of The USU Emeriti with full rights and benefits.

Section 2. The dues of The USU Emeriti shall be established by the Executive Council (Council – as defined in Article III Section 4) and shall be collected at the beginning of the fiscal year July 1. Dues shall be assessed based on the needs of the organization.

Section 3. Members of the organization are accorded benefits as prescribed by the University code and other personnel directives which are subject to change, and include but are not limited to: An identification card, free campus parking, bookstore discounts, library and recreation privileges, free education benefits for on-campus and extension classes, honorary membership in the Faculty Association, faculty rates for athletic and cultural events, free access to the University internet and receiving The USU Emeriti announcements by mail.
Article III
Officers and Organization

Section 1. The USU Emeriti Association shall be governed by the Emeriti Executive Council consisting of: President, president elect, secretary/treasurer, historian, past president, and three vice presidents; one for Programs, activities and athletics; one for Finances, fund raising and membership; and one for Academics, scholarships and license plates. The administrative secretary of the USU Alumni Association shall serve as executive secretary of the USU Emeriti. The Director of Alumni Relations shall serve as an ex-officio officer.

Section 2. The person selected as president elect shall serve on the Executive Council one year as president elect, one year as president, and one year as past president, for a total of three years. The secretary/treasurer and the historian shall serve an overlapping three-year term. The vice presidents shall serve a three-year term with one member being chosen each year. The officers will take office on the first of July.

Section 3. The officers shall have the following duties:

1. The president, assisted by the VP for Programs, shall exercise overall responsibility for the implementation of programs of the organization and will conduct business meetings of the organization. The president shall serve as a member of the Alumni Advisory Board.

2. The president elect, assisted by the VP for Finance, shall assume responsibility for financial matters, and in the absence of the president will conduct business meetings.

3. The past president, assisted by the VP for Scholarships, shall serve as adviser to the Executive Council and oversee the awarding of scholarships and the License Plate Program.

4. The secretary/treasurer shall keep the minutes for each meeting, maintain a record of the financial affairs of the organization, and prepare an annual statement of financial transactions.

5. The historian shall keep a historical record of the programs and activities of the organization.

6. The executive secretary shall provide clerical and secretarial support to the organization, to include, but not limited to: Approving parking permits, preparing correspondence, maintaining monthly financial reports on dues and University funds allocated to The USU Emeriti, and maintain membership records.
Section 4. The officers and their spouses, where present, shall comprise the Executive council of The USU Emeriti Association, and shall be the executive body of The USU Emeriti. The council shall meet together as deemed necessary by the president to conduct business for the organization and to plan activities.

Section 5. The Executive Council shall serve as a Nominating and Selection Committee. They shall select a candidate for the office of president elect by the first week in May of each year. They shall also select names to fill the vacancies for other Emeriti Executive Council officers as necessary each year, by the first week in May, according to the specified rotation of officers. Should vacancies occur earlier in the year, the replacements will be selected by the procedure outlined above. By the first of February, the president will notify the membership of The USU Emeriti, by mail, that they may make nominations to the Executive Council to fill any of the upcoming vacancies.

Section 6. The Executive Council shall organize and conduct all activities of the Association, including but not limited to, arranging regular meetings and activities of the Association, selection of candidates for office in the Council, awarding of scholarships, and promoting the welfare of the members.

New officers will be announced at the annual Summer Breakfast.

Article IV
By-Laws and Amendments

Section 1. The USU Emeriti Council may establish such by-laws as it deems necessary.

Section 2. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the membership of the organization voting. Voting shall be by voice vote at a specified activity.

Section 3. This Constitution shall be declared ratified if two-thirds of the voting members favor ratification.

Section 4. Temporary or ad hoc committees and committee chairpersons may be appointed by the president as needed.