UC BERKELEY EMERITI ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION
(Adopted May 5, 1981;

ARTICLE I - Name

This organization shall be known as the UC Berkeley Emeriti Association.

ARTICLE II - Purpose

The purpose of the organization shall be:

1. to serve as an independent, active social group that advocates for emeriti interests;

2. to help its members carry on their scholarly and other University endeavors;

3. to assist members in making the transition from an active academic schedule to one of teaching, research, writing, consultation, mentoring, and other activities that enable them to continue their contributions to the University and society and remain engaged in their professional activities;

4. to provide an opportunity for maintaining professional contact with their colleagues in their own and other disciplines, locally and elsewhere;

5. to promote the general welfare of all emeriti, including representing their interests to the Campus and University administration with respect to benefits and privileges; and

6. to perform such other acts for the administration of the affairs and attainment of the Association’s goals.

ARTICLE III - Membership

Section 1: Membership shall be as defined in the By Laws.

Section 2: Members shall be entitled to participate in the activities of the organization, including the privilege of voting on all ballots and resolutions.

ARTICLE IV - Officers

Section 1: The officers of the organization shall be: President, First and Second Vice Presidents,
Secretary, Treasurer, and Stewards.

Section 2: The officers and members-at-large of the Executive Committee shall be elected by the membership via email or postal mail ballot.

Section 3: The officers shall be elected for two-year terms and shall be eligible for re-election for one additional term.

ARTICLE V - Executive Committee

Section 1: The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers, past presidents, and two or more elected members-at-large. The number of members-at-large is not to exceed eight.

Section 2: Members-at-large shall be elected for a three-year term on an alternating basis at the annual business meeting. They shall be eligible for re-election to one additional term.

Section 3: The officers and Executive Committee members shall be chosen insofar as possible to be representative of the fine arts, humanities, sciences, social sciences, and professional schools and colleges.

Section 4: Vacancies occurring within the Executive Committee shall be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Committee, and appointees shall serve until the next annual business meeting.

ARTICLE VI - Meetings

Section 1: One meeting each year shall be designated as the annual business meeting, which shall be called to receive the reports of officers and of the committees.

Section 2: The organization shall meet at other times and places designated by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII - Nomination Procedures

The Executive Committee shall appoint a Nominating Committee to prepare a list of proposed officers and Executive Committee members. Suggestions for these positions shall have been solicited from the membership at large. Email and postal mail ballots for those without email shall be sent to all members for their votes. Votes need to be received within 30 days after mailing of the ballot. A non-response to the ballot will be counted as support for the Executive Committee’s recommendation. Majority of votes of those who voted or counted as support for a candidate will determine the outcome of the election.

ARTICLE VIII - Amendments

Section 1: Any proposed amendments to this constitution may be presented to the members by majority vote of the Executive Committee. Email and postal mail ballots for those without email shall be sent to all members for their votes. Votes need to be received within 30 days after mailing.
Section 2: A proposed amendment shall be considered adopted if it receives a majority vote of those responding to the email or postal mail ballot. A non-response to the ballot will be counted as support for the Executive Committee’s recommendation.