Associated Students of Chemeketa Chemeketa Community College <u>Constitution</u>

Preamble

We, the Associated Students of Chemeketa, are committed to promoting and advocating the well being of students at Chemeketa Community College.

We are hereby charged to facilitate formal means of communication and interaction among students, student organizations, faculty, and College administration; to advocate for and represent the interests of students before internal and external bodies, including providing for student representation and participation on college committees; and to provide programs and services not offered by other divisions of the College and thereby create a strong, effective, and efficient students representation program.

Article I. Name

This organization shall be known as the Associated Students of Chemeketa (ASC).

Section 1.01 Color(s) and Mascot

The ASC shall recognize the official color(s) and mascot of Chemeketa Community College.

Article II. Purpose

The purpose of the Associated Students of Chemeketa is to represent, advocate, and promote the well being of students at Chemeketa Community College.

Article III. Membership

Section 3.01 Qualifications

Membership in the ASC shall consist of students who are enrolled at Chemeketa Community College and meet the qualifications required in the ASC Bylaws, Section 2.01.

Section 3.02 Non-discrimination

ASC will not discriminate based on but not limited to race, color, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, pregnancy or related conditions, family relationship, veteran status, tobacco use, ethnicity, national origin or disability.

Section 3.03 Term of Office

No appointed or selected member will hold an office for more that one year without being reappointed to the office. Any person replacing a member will serve for the remainder of that official's term of office.

(i) Student employee positions

To be selected as outlined in the Constitution, Bylaws—Section 3.05, or Administrative rules.

Article IV. Terms and Definitions

Section 4.01 Representative Bodies

The representative bodies shall include the Associated Students of Chemeketa (ASC).

Section 4.02 Associated Students of Chemeketa

The ASC will meet to manage tasks and projects as agreed in cooperation with the ASC Advisor.

Students currently enrolled in Chemeketa Community College in a minimum of twelve (12) credit hours and maintaining a 2.75 GPA.

Section 4.03 Associated Students of Chemeketa Advisor

The ASC Advisor(s) will provide support, encouragement, and training opportunities to the organization.

Article V. Selection Process

Section 5.01 Selection Process

(i) Associated Students of Chemeketa (ASC) Shall be selected as outlined in the Constitution, Bylaws—Section 3.05, or Administrative rules.

Article VI. Vacancies

Section 6.01 Associated Students of Chemeketa (ASC)

If any position should have a mid-year vacancy, the selection process outlined in the bylaws shall be used to fill the vacant position.

Article VII. Enabling Clause

Section 7.01 Enabling Clause

Constitution shall go into effect immediately upon the validation by the ASC, if those results show majority vote (50% plus one) favor adoption of the Constitution it will immediately be implemented.

Section 7.02 Enabling Clause

Constitutional amendments shall go into effect immediately, or as specified by the measure, and upon validation by the ASC, if those results show a majority of the voters favoring the measure, and a majority of the voters favor the amendment (50% plus one).

Article VIII. Bill of Rights

ASC members will follow the Chemeketa Community College Code of Conduct and Student Rights and Responsibility.

Article IX. Removal from Office

Section 9.01 ASC Members

Member's failure to perform his or her duties as outlined in the Constitution, Bylaws, or Administrative rules will result in removal from the ASC. Members of the ASC are student employees or volunteers and as such are subject to all rules governing student employees.

Article X. Parliamentary Authority

Robert's Rules of Order.

Article XI. Meetings

Section 11.01 Board Meeting – ASC

ASC board meetings will be held weekly during the fall, winter, and spring academic terms.

Section 11.02 Workshop Meetings – ASC

Workshop meetings of the ASC shall be held weekly during the fall, winter, and spring academic terms. These are informal meetings for all ASC members.

Section 11.03 Quorum

For a vote of the ASC to be official, a quorum must be present. Fifty percent plus one of ASC shall constitute a quorum.

Section 11.04 Attendance

Attendance is mandatory at all board meetings. Members of ASC will notify the Associated Students of Chemeketa Advisor in advance if they will be unable to attend a meeting as outlined in the Constitution, Bylaws or Administrative rules.

Article XII. Committees

Committees may be established by the ASC and should be subject to guidelines prescribed in the Bylaws.

Article XIII. Bylaws

The ASC Bylaws will contain information on implementation of the ASC Constitution.

Article XIV. Amendments

Section 14.01 Constitution

The ASC Constitution may be amended by a majority of votes cast by the ASC (50% plus one).

Amendments may be initiated by either of the following:

- A majority vote of the ASC (50% plus one).
- Any proposed amendment to the ASC Constitution will be made public to the student body two (2) weeks prior to the special election.

Section 14.02 Bylaws

Amendments may be initiated through either of the following means:

- A majority vote of the ASC (50% plus one).
- Any proposed amendments to the Bylaws must be passed by a majority vote by the ASC (50% plus one).

Article XV. Administrative Changes

The ASC Constitution and Bylaws may be changed for the purpose of keeping them current with college policies, state laws, and terminology. Examples of such administrative changes include changes in department titles, staff titles, changes in specific college policies or funding and changes in the college calendar. When such alterations are deemed necessary, the following procedure will be used:

The ASC with approval and assistance from the ASC Advising staff member will review the constitution and bylaws near the end of the academic year and make suggested changes.

During the last meeting of the academic year for the ASC Student Council administrative changes will be reviewed.

A motion will be made at said meeting to make the administrative changes permanent. The vote must carry fifty percent plus one member majority vote.

If passed, new copies of the constitution will be created and passed on to the appropriate administrative authority and published in the college newspaper.