Constitution of the
Latter-day Saint Student Association

PREAMBLE

Recognizing the many choices that confront students attending the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, the Latter-day Saint Student Association (LDSSA) is established by the Columbia Missouri Institute of Religion to help students have a balanced secular and spiritual educational experience during their years of formal education.

ARTICLE I

NAME

Section 1 The name of this organization is the Latter-day Saint Student Association (LDSSA).

ARTICLE II

PURPOSES

The purposes of LDSSA are as follows:

Section 1 To encourage and support members of LDSSA in achieving their academic goals and maintaining a balanced life while on campus.

Section 2 To encourage members of LDSSA to become an influence for good by participating in activities and service on campus and in the community.

Section 3 To provide students with meaningful service opportunities and social and religious activities that are consistent with LDSSA standards.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 Membership is open to all students enrolled at the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, regardless of race, color, ability, creed, sex, national origin, marital status, religion, or sexual orientation, who espouse the purposes of LDSSA as stated in this constitution and abide by LDSSA standards.
ARTICLE IV
ORGANIZATION

Section 1 LDSSA shall have advisors appointed by the Columbia Missouri Institute of Religion. At least one of the advisors will be a faculty member of the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Section 2 The leaders will be a president, vice president, secretary, and other officers that may be deemed necessary. All officers will be students at the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Section 3 The president is nominated by the advisors and confirmed by a vote of the LDSSA members.

Section 4 The president nominates other officers who are confirmed by a vote of the members. Officers will be voted upon annually for each school year or more often if necessary.

ARTICLE V
FINANCES

Section 1 An activity fee may be solicited from members bi-annually, and there may be a minimal charge for some activities.

Section 2 All fees collected will be handled and accounted for in accordance with procedures outlined by the institute of religion.

ARTICLE VI
ENABLING ACT

Upon approval of this constitution by the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, it shall become effective immediately.

LDSSA President ___________________________ Date ______________ Official university representative

LDSSA advisor ___________________________ Date ______________ Date of recognition by the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine

LDSSA advisor ___________________________
OFFICERS
President: Appoint vice president, secretary and other officers that may be needed in LDSSA; conduct club meetings and over-see the organization of such meetings.

Vice President: Conduct club meetings and over-see the organization of such meetings in the absence of the president. Under the direction of the President, the vice president is responsible for the organization of service oriented activities in the community and college.

Secretary: Reserving rooms for LDSSA meetings and advertisement for such meetings; also, assist the president and vice president in their responsibilities.

Other Officers: These would include committee chairs for social, service, public relations, etc. as needed.

NEW OFFICERS
The new president will be chosen in April of each year. Other officers will be finalized in September of the same year.

LDSSA STANDARDS AND RISK MANAGEMENT
(These will be observed at all LDSSA activities)
As a matter of personal commitment, members of the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine Latter-day Saint Student Association seek to demonstrate in daily living those moral virtues encompassed in the gospel of Jesus Christ and will:

- Be honest
- Live a chaste and virtuous life
- Obey the law – including college regulations
- Use clean language and exemplify modesty and cleanliness
- Respect the rights of others
- Abstain from alcoholic beverages, tobacco, tea
- Coffee, and drugs