Academy of LDS Dentists – MOSDOH Chapter Constitution and Bylaws

Article I. Name
Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Academy of LDS Dentists.

Article II. Purpose
Section 1. The purpose of the Academy of LDS Dentists is to promote dental education among professionals and the general public; to promote and facilitate dental service by its members, providing manpower and expertise in dental care delivery; to procure and distribute equipment, supplies and educational materials to aid in patient treatment and educational pursuits.

Article III. Officers
Section 1. Officers serving as the Executive Board shall be the President and Vice President.
Section 2. The term of the office for Executive Board members shall be one year or until their successors are elected.
Section 3. Executive Board members must be in good academic and behavioral standing with their academic program, the Office of Student Life, and A.T. Still University.
Section 4. The Advisor shall be a member of the institutions full-time faculty/staff. The advisor has no vote in the organization.

Article IV. Membership
Section 1. Membership is open to any student.

Article V. Election of Officers
Section 1. Election of officers will occur at the last meeting of the Spring/Summer term.
Section 2. Each member in attendance at said meeting shall be accorded one vote per office.
Section 3. All elections will be held by secret ballot.
Section 4. A simple majority vote will constitute an officer election.

Article VI. Meetings
Section 1. All meetings will be held on a regular basis, as scheduled by the Executive Board.
Section 2. All members must attend a majority of the meetings held during the academic year to be eligible for full member benefits, including the election of officers.

Article VII. Amendments
Section 1. Amendments to this constitution shall be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a regular meeting following the meeting at which the proposed amendment was distributed.

Nondiscrimination Policy: Academy of LDS Dentists does not deny membership on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age, ability, citizenship, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; except that a) an organization created primarily for religious purposes may restrict the right to vote or hold office to persons who subscribe to the organization's statement of purpose, and b) an organization may restrict membership based on the provisions of Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972.

Risk Management Philosophy: All events sponsored by the Academy of LDS Dentists or any event the student organization is associated with, including off-campus events, must be in compliance, as stated below:

Alcohol/Illegal Drugs- No member of the student organization shall take part in acts that are illegal and/or abusive as it relates to alcohol and drugs and/or activities that violate the rules of ATSU. If any member is found participating in such acts, we, the members, reserve the right to take all necessary actions to correct this behavior for the betterment of the organization. The possession, use, and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages during any organization event, any event that an observer would associate with the University, or in any situation sponsored or endorsed by the organization, must be in compliance with any and all applicable laws, policies, and regulations of the state, county, city, and ATSU. The unlawful possession, sale and/or use of any illegal drugs or controlled substances at any organization-sponsored event, or at any event that an observer would associate with the organization, is strictly prohibited. The organization shall not use or condone the use of alcoholic beverages/illegal drugs as part of their membership intake recruitment or education programs.

Hazing- No member of the student organization shall take part in hazing activities, and if any member is found participating in such acts, we, the members, reserve the right to take all necessary actions to correct this behavior for the betterment of the organization. Hazing activities are defined as (but not limited to): any action taken or situation created, intentionally, whether on or off organization premises or during organization functions, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, or ridicule.

Transportation & Travel- Members of the student organization shall strictly obey all applicable motor vehicle laws and rules of ATSU as it relates to transportation. Operators will ensure that vehicles are not overloaded and are driven in a safe manner. Rental vehicles shall be operated in accordance with rental contracts.
Sexual Harassment/Abuse - Members of the student organization strictly prohibit the act of sexual harassment/abuse discrimination, in any form. No member shall take part in activities deemed sexual harassment and/or abuse discrimination, and if any member is found participating in such acts, we, the members, reserve the right to take all necessary actions to correct this behavior for the betterment of the organization. The organization will not tolerate or condone any form of abusive or discriminatory behavior on the part of its members, whether physical, mental, or emotional in respect to sex, race, ethnicity, physical or emotional handicap, age, marital status, or sexual orientation. This includes any actions not limited to sexual assault, verbal harassment, or deemed demeaning to all.

Any member who witnesses discriminatory behavior, or is informed of incidents of discrimination, sexual harassment, and/or related retaliation involving students, faculty, or staff should contact Lori Haxton, Vice President of Student Affairs, on the Missouri campus at lhaxton@atsu.edu or Beth Poppre, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs on the Arizona campus at bpoppre@atsu.edu.

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