

# *Constitution of the Island University Foundation*

## **(DBA: Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Alumni Association)**

### **ARTICLE I - NAME AND OBJECTIVES**

**Section 1.** The name of the organization is the Island University Foundation (DBA: Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Alumni Association) herein after called Association.

**Section 2.** The objectives of this association shall be to promote the welfare and interests of TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI. The Association is organized exclusively for educational and charitable purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

**Section 3.** No part of the net earnings of the Association shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article I Section 2 hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Association shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Association shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law) or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.)

### **ARTICLE II -Membership**

**Section 1.** Membership in the Association is open to all graduates of the University of Corpus Christi, Texas A&I at Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi State University, and Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

**Section 2.** Associate Membership is open to any former student of the schools listed above in Article II, Section 1 or to any person not qualifying under Article II, Section 1, but who by past action has shown a sincere interest in the welfare of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, or any student who has purchased their class ring.

**Section 3.** Honorary Membership in the Association may be conferred by a majority of the executive committee of the Association upon supporters and benefactors of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi whose services the Alumni may desire to recognize.

### **ARTICLE III -FEES**

**Section 1.** The Board of Directors shall have the responsibility of establishing all dues and other fees pertinent to this Association's activities.

### **ARTICLE IV -PRIVELEGES OF MEMBERS**

**Section 1.** An Active member is one who has given a \$50.00 or greater contribution to the University's Annual Fund, Alumni Association or designated fund during the current calendar year and is encouraged to contribute during the first quarter. Those

holding Membership and Associate Membership and satisfying all requirements specified by the Board of Directors pursuant to contributions shall be active members of the Association.

**Section 2.** All members shall have the right to vote at the Annual meetings of this Association. They will receive all publications of the Association and all notices of the Associations general meetings. The Board of Directors may by majority vote establish additional categories of active memberships if it sees fit.

#### **ARTICLE V - BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Section 1.** The management of this Association is vested in a Board of Directors comprised of the President, President Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, twenty~~5~~ Directors, immediate Past-President, President of Student Foundation~~5~~ and the President of Texas A&M University Corpus Christi or his designated Representative. It shall determine the policies and programs of this Association in harmony with the policies and programs of University Administration.

**Section 2.** The Executive Committee shall be composed of the President, President Elect, Vice President, The President of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi or his designated representative, Secretary, Treasurer, and immediate Past President. The duties and responsibilities of the Executive Committee shall be determined by the Board of Directors through the Constitution and Bylaws. All board members must be active alumni.

#### **ARTICLE VI -PROCEDURES**

**Section 1.** The fiscal year of the Association ends annually on the thirty-first day of December.

**Section 2.** To effect the purposes of this organization, Bylaws shall be adopted by the Board of Directors consistent with this constitution. A two-thirds vote of the members of the Board present at regular or special meetings shall be necessary to adopt or amend the bylaws, which are promulgated to govern the activities of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee.

**Section 3.** Amendments to the Constitution may be approved by two-thirds vote of the members in good standing who are present at any regular or called meeting of the Association, provided that the amendment has been submitted properly to the membership in advance of the meeting.

**Section 4.** Upon the dissolution of the Association, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Association dispose of all of the assets of the Association exclusively for the purposes of the Association in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c)(3) in the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine.