**UCSC WOMEN’S CLUB**

**BYLAWS**

(Approved by Club Membership on May 4, 2016)

**ARTICLE I. NAME**

The name of this organization shall be the UCSC Women’s Club.

**ARTICLE II. PURPOSE**

The goal of this organization shall be to provide a means by which all interested people on the campus and in the greater Santa Cruz community may share common interests, promote understanding and support for the purpose and functions of the University, and raise money for scholarships for re-entry students at UCSC.

**ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP AND DUES**

1. Membership shall be open to all people interested in supporting the purpose and goals of the UCSC Women’s Club.

1. Dues, either paid annually or once for lifetime (effective 7/1/2015), shall be determined by a vote of the membership. Members whose dues are delinquent shall be considered inactive and shall not be on mailing or calling lists.
2. Membership period is July 1 to June 30.

**ARTICLE IV. GOVERNMENT**

1. The Executive Board shall be familiar with and abide by the current UCSC administrative policies and procedures for unincorporated University support groups.
2. The Executive Board shall consist of the elected officers, as well as the coordinators, and members-at-large deemed necessary to conduct the business of the club in a given academic year. A quorum shall consist of 51% of the members of the Executive Board. The exact number of people on the Executive Board for the new academic year shall be determined by the outgoing Board and Nominating Committee chair. Each office/role has a single vote.
3. The Executive Board shall have the power to conduct, manage, and control the affairs and business of the Club, and to incur indebtedness on its behalf.
4. The Executive Board shall consist of:
5. The elected officers: president, first vice-president, second vice-president, secretary, and treasurer; and

2. Coordinators (i.e. fundraising; membership, data and communication, publicity; scholarship; website; newsletter; interest groups; food) whose titles and duties may change at the discretion of the elected officers; and

1. Members-at-large which may include the immediate past president(s), Chancellor’s representative, and Chancellor’s Associate. Duties shall support the activities, goals and purpose of the Club.
2. In the event of a Board member’s resignation, the president shall appoint a replacement with the approval of the Board.

If the president resigns, the order of succession will be as follows until the position of president is filled: first vice-president, second vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and immediate past president.

1. The Executive Board shall be chosen in the following manner:
2. The president shall appoint a chairperson of the nominating committee at the beginning of each academic year.

2. The chairperson of the nominating committee shall appoint two (2) additional members to the committee. They shall report their nominations in the newsletter preceding the Spring meeting at which time the other nominations may be made from the floor.

3. The nominating committee shall endeavor to make its selections representative of all sections of the membership.

 4. Election of Board members shall be by vote at the Spring Business meeting.

5. A Board member shall hold the same office for no more than two (2) consecutive terms, except as deemed necessary by a majority of the elected officers for the efficient operation of Club business.

6. The nominating committee shall endeavor to retrain at least four (4) members of the Executive Board to serve a second year in order to preserve the continuity of the Board.

1. The Club shall hold general meetings of the membership during the academic year including a Fall Gathering and a Spring meeting. The Spring meeting shall be designated a business meeting and will include election and installation of officers and annual treasurer’s report. Majority rule prevails.
2. In case of dissolution, any assets of this organization will be turned over to the UCSC Foundation for the purpose of providing scholarships to re-entry students to UCSC.

**ARTICLE V. AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS**

Amendments to the bylaws shall be proposed by the Executive Board, in writing, to the general membership at least one month prior to the next general meeting. Amendments will require a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of those present at the general meeting.