The Constitution of the
Organization of Student Athletic Trainers of
Southwestern Oklahoma State University

Article I: Name
The name of this organization shall be the Organization of Student Athletic Trainers.

Article II: Purpose
The purpose of the Organization of Student Athletic Trainers shall be to provide students and members of the SWOSU community who are interested in athletic training an opportunity for further education in the prevention and care of athletic injuries by sharing ideas, goals, and experiences through meetings, clinics, and other casual events.

Article III: Membership
Section 1
There shall be two classes of membership:
1. Senior will have all privileges of holding office, voting, proposing amendments, serving on committees, and attending meetings and other organization functions.
2. Associate will have the privileges of voting, proposing amendments, serving on committees, and attending meetings and other organization functions.

No member shall be eligible for more than one (1) class at the same time.

Section 2
Membership shall be suspended upon discontinuation of payment of dues or for unethical conduct with a unanimous vote of the executive committee.

Change of membership classification can occur with a unanimous vote of the executive committee for failure to meet the criteria for the classification.

Section 3
Membership and participation shall be free from discrimination based on race, religion, color, national origin, disability, age, or sex.

Article IV: Finances
Section 1
Membership dues will be five (5) dollars per semester for membership. Dues will be collected at the second meeting of the semester.

Section 2
Any amount of money that the organization wishes to allocate over fifty (50) dollars must be approved by a simple majority vote of the quorum. Any amount of fifty (50) dollars or less can be approved by three (3) of the executive committee members.
Article V: Quorum
A quorum consisting of at least one half (1/2) of the active membership must be present for all voting.

Article VI: Elections and Voting
Officers will be elected during the first business meeting of the year, and will take term immediately following the election. No individual will hold more than one office at a time. In cases where the officer is unable to fulfill the duties of the office, there shall be a special election to replace the officer as set by the executive committee. If the president is unable to fulfill the duties of the office, the vice-president will take over the office of the president, and an election will be held to fill the office of the vice-president.

The executive committee will consist of the following officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The officers shall be nominated in writing and submitted to the Faculty Advisor by the first business meeting. If no nominations have been submitted at the time of election, nominations will be taken from the floor. The nominee must be present at the meeting, and has the option of declining the nomination. A simple majority vote of the quorum will determine the election.

All regular business will be decided on by a majority vote of the quorum.

Article VII: Business Meetings/Guest Lectures
Business meetings shall be held at least two (2) times per semester.

Guest lectures/educational seminars shall be held at least once per semester as decided by a committee and approved by a majority of the executive committee and the Faculty Sponsor.

Article VIII: Amending the Constitution
Changes to the constitution may be proposed by a member and must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the quorum. Proposed changes must be typed and submitted to the President one month prior to the next meeting and approved by the executive committee. Once an amendment has been submitted, it may not be changed until the meeting at which it is heard. Amendments must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the quorum.

Article IX: Ratification
A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the quorum is necessary for ratification.

The constitution will be reviewed and/or updated a minimum of every three (3) years.