CONSTITUTION

Article I

Name

The name of this organization shall be the Orthopaedic Surgery Interest Group.

Article II Purpose

The purposes of the Orthopaedic Surgery Interest Groups are:

- **1.** To orient medical students to the field of orthopaedic surgery, specifically focusing on factors relating to orthopaedic surgery as a career choice.
- **2.** To facilitate early exposure to orthopaedic surgeons and other mentors within the field of orthopaedic surgery.
- **3.** To share ideas and resources pertinent to establishing one's self as a candidate for an Orthopaedic Surgery residency program.

Article III

Membership

Membership is open to all LLUSM students, faculty, and alumni. Meetings are open to any members and their guests.

Article IV

Organization

Section 1. Qualifications for Office

Each officer must be a student of LLUSM in good standing.

Section 2. Governing Committee

- 1. President: the President shall oversee and direct the general business of the Orthopaedic Surgery Interest Group, represent the Orthopaedic Surgery Interest Group, and assume communication with sponsors, advisors, and the Deans' Office.
- 2. Vice President: the Vice President shall assist the president the President in the general business of the Orthopaedic Surgery Interest Group and shall assume the role of President in the event of the President's absence.

- **3.** Secretary: the Secretary shall keep minutes of all Orthopaedic Surgery Interest Group meetings, distribute minutes to other officers, draft documents and maintain e-mail communications when necessary.
- **4.** Treasurer: maintain financial records, and oversee fundraising efforts.
- Class Representatives: Responsible for promoting interest group events to respective class members by announcement and flyer design etc, being a point of contact for class members

Section 3. Sponsor

- **1.** The Orthopaedic Surgery Interest Group shall be sponsored by the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery.
- **2.** The Governing Committee shall nominate a faculty sponsor.

Article V Elections

Section 1. Procedures

The term of office shall be one academic year. Orthopaedic Surgery Interest Group elections shall be held one month before the end of term. Nominations will be accepted at the election meeting, and voting will be by secret ballot of the members present. A simple majority of votes cast will determine the winner of each position. Vacant officer posts shall be filled at the discretion of the President. New officers will take office on June 1st.

Section 2. Notification

Within two weeks after elections, the President-elect shall file an updated list of officers with the Deans' Office.