1. **Introduction**

The first full year of the Emeritus College's existence began with the College's Inaugural Convocation on July 8, 2005 and ended with the announcement that the College's membership had succeeded in reaching the goal established for the Fulton Challenge. Within that time span, the College occupied three different campus locations, the third being its permanent quarters in Wilson Hall. Membership grew from 157 to 250 and publication of the College newsletter, "The Emeritus Press", commenced. The rapid growth of the college and its programs has been noted by administrators and members alike.

2. **Organization**

The Emeritus College Bylaws, as adopted by the College Council on April 26, 2005, were approved by the membership at its business meeting during the First Annual Emeritus College Symposium, May 6, 2006. Council member terms were also approved as follows:

**Terms to end June 30, 2007**
- Takayori Atsumi, Professor Emeritus of Music
- Elizabeth Prather, Professor Emeritus of Speech and Hearing
- Howard G. Voss, Professor Emeritus of Physics

**Terms to end June 30, 2008**
- John E. Bell, Professor Emeritus of Secondary Education
- Beatrice (Babs) Gordon, Professor Emerita of English
- Charles S. Elliott, Professor Emeritus of Industrial Engineering

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**Terms to end June 30, 2009:**
- Ronald H. Alvarado, Professor Emeritus of Zoology
- Winifred Doane, Professor Emerita of Zoology
- Leonard Gordon, Professor Emeritus of Sociology

During the year, Professor Emeritus Charles Merbs resigned his position on the Council and as newsletter editor for personal reasons and Professor Emeritus Fred Fehr resigned his Council position and as Director of the center for Innovations in Instruction for reasons of health. Professor Emeritus William Phillips resigned as Director of the Center for ASU History and Tradition, also for reason of health. Current Center Directors are as follows:

- The Center for Issues in K-12 Education – John Bell
- The Center for Innovations in Instruction – unappointed
- The Emeritus Center for Writing – Beatrice Gordon
- The Center for ASU History and Tradition – unappointed
The Center for Art - Eugene Valentine (Acting Director)
College Dean Richard Jacob assumed temporarily the role of newsletter editor.

The EC is a member of the Association of Retirement Organizations in Higher Education (AROHE). Dean Richard Jacob represents the college on the AROHE board of directors.

Ms. Maureen Graff continues to give exemplary service as the College's Administrative Assistant (full-time). At the end of the reporting year, the second paid staff position approved in the College Proposal had not yet been authorized.

3. Physical Facilities and Logistics

The college began the report year in its temporary office space in Social Science 107. It then moved to temporary space in Wilson Hall while its permanent quarters, also in Wilson Hall, were renovated. It should be noted that the University administration, including architects and construction overseers, were generous and forthcoming with their time and effort to produce a commodious and highly desirable office suite for the College. It was occupied in April, 2006, and rapidly became a home on campus for the college's members.

Attractive new furnishings and a complete equipage of studies and carrels with computers was accomplished with the generosity of the Provost's office.

4. Membership

a. Membership pool. The College has continued to consider it a responsibility to maintain as complete and accurate data base of ASU emeriti/ae as possible.

b. Membership and contributions drive. Although membership applications were received and accepted throughout the year, the principle new member drive occurred in concert with the annual membership contribution drive during the Spring, 2006, Semester. The College was fortunate to be invited by Ira A. Fulton to participate with other colleges in the "Fulton Challenge," a matching funds program in which the Fulton Foundation matched evenly contributions received by the College from qualified contributors. The matching was contingent upon the College reaching a pre-stated goal for contributions, which goal was in fact realized. The Emeritus College received $12,745 from Fulton, bringing the total collected during the drive to more than $25,000. These funds were deposited in the Dean's Investment Account at the ASU Foundation for use in funding the College's programs and activities.

4. Outreach

During the year, the Dean continued actively to reach out to the rest of the University and the Community, having several meetings with deans, department chairs and community leaders. In these meetings, opportunities were sought in which the
Emeritus college could perform service and also gain opportunities for its members to advance their creative and intellectual lives.

A "Dean's Council" of prominent members of the community was also organized at a luncheon, hosted by the ASU Foundation, in February, 2006. The Dean's Council has already proved to be instrumental in advancing the College's interests in the community and will continue even more to do so in the future. A complete list of Dean's Council members can be found in the April, 2006 issue of The Emeritus Press (attached.)

5. **Activities**

The activities, issues and initiatives of the Emeritus College during the report year are chronicled in the April, 2006 and July, 2006 newsletter, The Emeritus Press (attached.) The reader is referred to these newsletters for that information.

*Highlights*

- Creative Writing Workshops, cooperative venture with the Virginia G. Piper Center for Creative Writing.
- Emeritus Art Exhibit at the College of Public Programs, Downtown Phoenix Campus.
- First annual Emeritus College Symposium
- Participation in Junior Law Program
- Fulton Challenge
- Presentation of the "Gray Mortarboard" to Provost Milton GLick
- Occupation of permanent quarters
- Establishment of the Grants and Awards Committee
- Brown-bag Readings
- Participation in the Tempe Enclave

6. **Goals**

*Goals for the report year*

The principal goal of the EC during the report year was to establish organizational vitality and viability. We believe this goal to have been accomplished to a high level of satisfaction. Addressing the individual goals, we report the following progress:

- **To stabilize the Founding Membership at about 200 by December 31, 2006 and continue steady growth beyond that.** Membership by April, 2006 was above 250.

- **To establish permanent quarters with facilities approximating those described in the Proposal, including studies and carrels for members’ use.** *Permanent quarters were renovated as per Emeritus College requirements and occupied in April, 2006.*
c. To achieve full staffing as described in the Proposal (one full-time Administrative Assistant and one full-time Clerk/Receptionist). The second staff member has not yet been authorized.
d. To experience healthy activity levels in all of the EC Centers and major initiatives now in their various stages of planning. Healthy activity existed in all centers, but has dropped off in the Centers for Innovations in Instruction and ASU History and Tradition. The Centers for Art and for Writing have been especially active and their activity continues to grow.
e. To continue the EC Readings series. The EC Brown Bag Readings are offered regularly and have an enthusiastic, albeit small, following.
f. To generate additional opportunity initiatives for the EC membership, both on and off campus, and both pro bono and for fee. Many opportunities for service have been generated and fulfilled. Only participation in the Tempe Enclave Life-long Learning Program has resulted in compensation for EC members.
g. To seek external funding opportunities from both grants and gifts. To date no funding proposals have been submitted under the aegis of the EC. The College did benefit significantly by its participation in the Fulton Challenge.
h. To participate with AASTA and similar organizations in mutually attractive projects. The potential for mutual activity with AASTA has not yet been materialized.
i. To set up the Center for Mentoring with accompanying activity in mentoring studies, including funded research. The establishment of the Center for Mentoring of necessity awaited the occupation of permanent quarters and the authorization of additional staff assistance. Plans are underway to bring this function into activity.
j. To establish the Emeritus Press as described in the Proposal. The physical facilities for the Emeritus Press (not to be confused with the newsletter) now exist and the Press is ready for operation.
k. To establish the Center for Public Numeracy and Scientific Literacy. This has not been done. Sufficient interest did not materialize.
l. To generate future leadership for the EC. The writer is confident that future leadership for the EC is "in the pipeline." Many members have graciously and enthusiastically taken on College assignments.
m. To publish the EC Newsletter at least twice. Two issues have been published and the newsletter will be published quarterly.
n. To organize a successful First Annual Emeritus College Symposium during the Spring Semester, 2006. This was accomplished.
o. Receive the report of the Committee on University Emeritus Policy and seek to implement their recommendations. The report is attached. It received positive attention from the Provost and discussions occurred for implementing its recommendations.
p. To develop and maintain a data file of scholarly and artistic activities by EC members during the 2005-2006 year for inclusion in the next annual report. These activities are reported in the College newsletter.
q. To present our accomplishments thus far to the Arizona Board of Regents and obtain their sanction on our existence and endeavors. This has not yet occurred.

Goals for the Coming Year

a. To stabilize the Founding Membership at about 300 by December 31, 2007 and continue steady growth beyond that.

b. To create a welcoming atmosphere for members and friends in the Emeritus College Center.

c. To achieve full staffing as described in the Proposal (one full-time Administrative Assistant and one full-time Clerk/Receptionist).

d. To continue to experience healthy activity levels in all of the EC Centers and major initiatives now in their various stages of planning.

e. To continue the EC Brown Bag Readings series, the Short-Talk Luncheons and the Colloquium and Concert Series, and introduce other programs for the benefit of the College membership and the community.

f. To continue generate additional opportunity initiatives for the EC membership, both on and off campus, and both pro bono and for fee.

g. To seek external funding opportunities from both grants and gifts.

h. To set up the Center for Mentoring with accompanying activity in mentoring studies, including funded research.

i. To enlarge the operations of the Emeritus Press.

j. To establish and publish an Emeritus College journal.

k. To establish the Center for Public Numeracy and Scientific Literacy.

l. To generate future leadership for the EC.

m. To continue to publish the EC Newsletter quarterly.

n. To establish an Emeritus College Endowment Fund drive.