# A.T. STILL UNIVERSITY ATSU

# The Student Government Association (SGA–MO) Flight 5966 Student Compassion Award Endowed Gift Agreement

Name:

This endowment shall be known as the Student Government Association (SGA–MO) *Flight 5966 Student Compassion Award* at A.T. Still University (ATSU) – Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine (KCOM).

On Tuesday, October 19, 2004, Flight 5966 made its way from St. Louis to Kirksville, Missouri, transporting fifteen passengers. Most of these passengers were on their way to ATSU for a conference focused on developing a Compassionate Campus. Near the end of the flight, a tragic accident occurred. The plane crashed killing 13 of the 15 passengers. Eight of the 15 passengers were members of the KCOM osteopathic community, six of whom were tragically killed in the plane crash. Furthermore, two of the passengers were traveling fellows with the Arnold P. Gold Foundation.

Establishment:

This award was established in January of 2006 by the SGA–MO, and was made possible by gifts from students, faculty, staff, student organizations, and other generous donors. This endowment is being amended to ensure compliance with federal regulations and current ATSU policies. Each year after the close of ATSU's fiscal year, the donor or other named individuals, will receive an annual report on the activity relative to the endowment. The award report should be sent to:

SGA President – Missouri Campus c/o SGA Advisor(s) ATSU Kirksville, MO

Purpose:

The purpose of this endowment is to provide financial support or recognition to ATSU-KCOM students in the osteopathic medicine and/or biomedical sciences programs who demonstrate compassion either individually or in a group or organization. This endowment was created to honor those of Flight 5966 and to continue their mission of promoting compassion.

In memory of the following on Flight 5966:

Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine

#### Fatalities

Clark Ator, D.O. '94, assistant regional dean, KCOM Utah region, Alpine, Utah Mark Varidin, D.O. '84, assistant regional dean, KCOM Florida region, St. Petersburg, Florida

Toni Sarantino, coordinator, KCOM Ohio region, Warren, Ohio Kathleen Gebard, coordinator, KCOM Ohio region, Englewood, Ohio M. Bridget Wagner, D.O., assistant regional dean, KCOM Ohio region, Warren, Ohio

Judith Diffenderfer, D.O., assistant regional dean, KCOM Ohio region, Saginaw, Michigan

#### Survivors

John Krogh, Ph.D., administrative dean, KCOM Utah region, Wallsburg, Utah Wendy Bonham, coordinator, KCOM Utah region, Spanish Fork, Utah

## A. P. Gold Foundation

### Fatalities

Richard Sarkin, M.D., director of pediatric medical education, University of Buffalo, Buffalo, New York

Steven Miller, M.D., director of pediatric emergency medicine, Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, New York City, New York

#### Kirksville

#### **Fatalities**

Rada Bronson, Los Angeles, California

Matthew Johnson, photographer, Commerce, Texas

Paul Talley, photographer, Commerce, Texas

Kim Sasse, pilot, Corporate Airlines, Ramsey, New Jersey Jonathan Palmer, pilot, Corporate Airlines, Cherry Grove, Ohio

#### Funding:

This fund has obtained the minimum amount required (\$10,000) to be a named endowment according to ATSU policies.

Anyone having an interest in supporting this fund, either now or in the future, is invited to make contributions. Contributions may be made in the form of current gifts or deferred gifts.

#### Management:

A.T. Still University (ATSU) will at its sole discretion manage and invest the funds. The amount available each year for SGA-MO student compassion award(s) will be dependent upon the endowment fund total principal and performance of the fund's investments. Current University investment policy, which is subject to change by the University, directs that eighty percent (80%) of the annual earnings will be made available for distribution and twenty percent (20%) of the annual earnings will be reinvested into the fund principal. This allows the fund to grow, thus producing increased financial support for future years while adjusting for inflation.

# Award

Applications:

Annually the ATSU Office of Student Financial Services, in conjunction with the SGA—MO President, shall notify the KCOM and biomedical science student bodies in writing by January 1 that funds to support compassionate students may be available for award(s). Award applications are available from the ATSU Office of Student Financial Services.

#### Selection Criteria:

In administering the fund, ATSU will distribute the amount available for awarding in accordance with the following criteria:

- A. Applicant(s) must be duly enrolled as a KCOM student and/or a biomedical sciences student at ATSU-Kirksville in the year the award(s) is made and be considered in good academic standing (i.e., not on academic probation).
- B. The ATSU Student Scholarship and Awards Committee (consisting of ATSU faculty and staff), in consultation with the SGA–MO, shall select award recipient(s) based on the following information presented in the application regarding the applicant's compassionate activities or a group or organization's compassionate activity:
  - 1. Individual award:
    - a. Name of applicant;
    - b. List all compassionate activities in which the applicant has participated over the past year; and,
    - c. An essay of no more than 1000 words on how these compassionate activities have impacted you and those served.
  - 2. Group or organization award: This award is to provide *financial assistance* to a group or organization that has performed a compassionate activity or is planning to perform a compassionate activity.
    - a. Name of group or organization;
    - b. Description of compassionate activity;
    - c. An essay of no more than 1000 words on how this compassionate activity will impact your group or organization and benefit those receiving your compassionate service; and,
    - d. Detailed budget estimate including all sources of funds.
  - 3. All applications must be submitted no later than March 1 each calendar year for consideration.

#### Awards:

- A. Award recipient(s) will be selected by April 1 each calendar year.
- B. The number and amount of awards given annually will be dependent on the amount of funds available.
- C. The ATSU Student Scholarship and Awards Committee, in cooperation with the SGA-MO, shall notify recipient(s) of the award(s) immediately following selection with an official letter of award. The Office of Student Financial Services shall request the awarded funds from the ATSU Treasurer's Office and distribute them accordingly.
- D. Applicant(s) and groups or organizations can receive funds from this endowment more than once; however, the student must complete the application process for each funding opportunity.
- E. Organizations or groups selected for award funding will be required to:
  - a. Submit a written progress report to the SGA–MO executive board within thirty days post compassionate activity describing the purpose and final outcome of the award request;
  - b. Provide an oral presentation to their respective student organization or student body describing the purpose and final outcome of the experience; and,

- c. Submit a detailed expenditure report, including receipts, relating to award funds to the SGA-MO advisor(s) for approval.
- F. The Arnold P. Gold Foundation must be recognized as a supporter of this endowment in all published materials and news releases. Please refer to the section in this agreement titled "Recognition" for more information.

Recognition:

The SGA–MO Flight 5966 Student Compassion Award Endowment will receive official recognition in all appropriate University publications unless the donor expressly states a desire to forego public recognition. Letters of appreciation from the annual award recipient(s) are encouraged and should be sent to the SGA–MO.

Any published materials or news releases associated with the SGA–MO Flight 5966 Student Compassion Endowment must recognize the Arnold P. Gold Foundation for its support of the endowment. Specifically, the recognition statement should say, "the endowment was made possible in part with a grant from the Arnold P. Gold Foundation."

Amendment:

Except as otherwise provided herein, these guidelines may be amended during the donor's lifetime only by mutual written consent of the donor and ATSU.

When a person, organization, foundation or corporation's activities reflect negatively on ATSU's public image, or are in material conflict with ATSU's mission and/or policies, ATSU has the right to terminate the name even if such name was originally deemed to be in perpetuity.

Alternative Application:

In the event that it becomes apparent at some future date that it is no longer possible for this fund to be used as specified herein, then ATSU will consult with the donor, if possible, and will determine how to utilize the amount available for awards from the fund in a manner that coincides as closely as possible with the donor's original intent. In any such alternate application of the amount available for awards, the endowed fund shall continue to be clearly identified as The SGA–MO Endowment Fund.

Any disputes relating to the application, construction, interpretation, or enforcement of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Missouri and shall be heard, decided and resolved in Adair County, Missouri.

Endowlment agreement revised and executed this 4th day of Oct, 2010.

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Donor, SGA-MOPresident
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President, A. T. Still University