THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY EMERITUS AND RETIRED FACULTY ASSOCIATION

Guidelines for CSU-ERFA FOUNDATION Grants PROGRAM, Cycle 2016-2017

I. Purpose of the Program CSU-ERFA established the CSU-ERFA Grant Foundation to provide financial support via grants to assist and encourage CSU retirees to continue their research and scholarship after leaving their active academic positions. The funds can be used for the following purposes: 1. Scholarly research of issues important to CSU retirees. 2. Research that contributes to the quality of life of CSU retirees, including but not limited to the following: a. Retirement policies and practices throughout the country. b. Benefits, rights, and privileges of CSU-ERFA retirees on CSU campuses. c. Public laws and policies related to the maintenance and quality of life of retirees. 3. Conducting projects pertaining to the history of the institutions related to the California State University System. 4. Publication endeavors of retirees as contributing to a given discipline. 5. Research and creative projects that directly benefit a given academic field or community.

II. Criteria for Acceptance of Grant Applications:

1. The applicant must be a member of CSU-ERFA. (Note: you may also join at the time of your application.) 2. The degree to which the research/project will contribute to the achievement of one or more of the purposes cited in Section I.
3. The degree to which the proposed research/project includes but is not limited to a statement of the problem and/or hypothesis, explication of procedures, processes or phases implementing an acceptable research methodology. 4. The degree to which the research/project fosters individual scholarly and or artistic achievement.

III. Administration of the Program

1. The Grant Awards Committee shall have responsibility for the establishment of periodic schedules for the submission and approval of grant applications subject to the approval of the CSU-ERFA Executive Committee.
2. The opening date for the submission of grant applications is May 20, 2016. Applications must be received on or before the due date, December 16, 2016. Your proposal must be submitted as a hard copy. If applicants wish to send their proposals electronically or by fax to ensure the application is received by the due date, they may do so; however, a hard copy must be received with in 3 days following the due date. Only hard copies will be reviewed. Send two copies. Awards will be announced in February 2017.
3. Grant applications shall be reviewed by the Grant Awards Committee in accordance with the purposes and criteria as set forth in Sections II and I. 4. All criteria noted in Sections I and II shall be assigned equal value in the assessment of the comparative merits of grant applications.

Application should be sent to:
CSU-ERFA
Attention: Grants Committee
18111 Nordhoff Street
Northridge, CA 91330-8339

May 11, 2016: shl