237.2 ASA-CSSA-SSSA EMERITUS MEMBERSHIP TASK FORCE

A. **Status:** Task Force

B. **Composition and Tenure:**

The Task Force consists of a Chair and approximately ten members interested in actively participating in the work of the group. Headquarters staff, as appropriate, will serve in an ex-officio capacity.

The chair will be appointed jointly by the ASA, CSSA, and SSSA Presidents and serve for a minimum of a one-year term.

C. **Task Force Charge**

The Emeritus Membership Task Force will review the Emeritus membership category to identify opportunities to more actively engage Emeritus members (and those who will soon qualify for Emeritus status) in ASA, CSSA, and SSSA. The Task Force will also look at opportunities for the Societies to engage with the Emeritus members and provide visibility, recognition, options, and opportunities for networking across the Societies membership categories.

Opportunities may include:
- Annual Meeting participation and sessions,
- Survey of Emeritus, Late Career, and former Emeritus members to identify membership retention issues and suggestions for meeting the needs of Emeritus/Late Career members,
- Conference calls/communication when needed to discuss Task Force progress,
- Networking among the Emeritus/Late Career Tri-Societies members,
- Recognition of members at various milestones of membership; especially 50 year members,
- News articles to report to the entire Tri-Societies membership the activities of the Task Force, and
- Other opportunities as identified.

D. **Timeline**

The Task Force objective is to do a comprehensive review of the Emeritus membership and provide recommendations to the three Boards of Directors on a periodic basis, as needed.

It is proposed that the Task Force review its status in two years for a possible request to move to full committee status.