



Constitution of the Cornell College Alumni Association

Article I. Name

The name of the Association shall be the Cornell College Alumni Association, hereinafter called the Association.

Article II. Purpose and Functions

The purpose of the Association shall be to work with the Division of Alumni and College Advancement to promote the mission, goals, and best interests of Cornell College in order to foster a vigorous and positive relationship between the College and its alumni. The Association shall have all powers necessary to carry out its purpose.

The functions of the Association include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1) to foster a spirit of fellowship with and loyalty to the College;
- 2) to provide interested alumni with opportunities to participate in the life of the College;
- 3) to encourage and stimulate charitable giving by alumni to the College;
- 4) to promote attendance at class reunions and gatherings of local alumni groups;
- 5) to support the recruitment of qualified students for the College;
- 6) to support career development activities for students and alumni;
- 7) to review and promote communications to alumni from the College; and
- 8) to receive and act on reports of the Division of Alumni and College Advancement.

Article III. Membership

The voting membership of the Association shall consist of all eligible alumni.

Article IV. Board of Directors

The functions of the Association shall be developed and reviewed by the Board of Directors working with the Division of Alumni and College Advancement, as well as other members of the College administration as necessary and appropriate. The Board of Directors shall consist of an elected President, an elected President-elect or immediate Past President, elected Standing Committee Chairs and Chairs-Elect, the entire Board, including the President and either President-Elect or Immediate Past-President shall be no more than 26 members.

The functions of the Board of Directors shall be as follows:

- 1) to communicate to the College administration and Board of Trustees the ideas, opinions, and interests of Association members pertaining to the mission, goals, and programs of the College;

- 2) to communicate to Association members the mission, goals, and programs of the College in order to promote greater understanding among all Association members;
- 3) to provide advice and counsel to the College administration and Board of Trustees pertaining to the matters of the College for which the administration and Trustees are responsible;
- 4) to work with the Division of Alumni and College Advancement to identify and develop programs linking alumni volunteer interests with the College's missions and goals;
- 5) to work with the Division of Alumni and College Advancement to recruit, train, and supervise volunteer alumni leaders for specific activities and programs; and
- 6) to work with the Division of Alumni and College Advancement to recognize outstanding volunteer service to the College.

Article V. Officers

The Officers of the Association shall consist of the President, and the President-elect, and Chairs of the standing committees.

Article VI. Meetings

All meetings of the Association and Board of Directors shall be held at times and places stated in the By-Laws of the Association.

Article VII. Nominating Committee

The Leadership Nominating Committee shall consist of the President, President-Elect or immediate Past President, the Standing Committee Chairs, and the Vice President for Alumni and College Advancement or designate, who shall serve as ex officio member. The President-elect or immediate Past President shall chair the Leadership Nominating committee. The Nominating Committee shall nominate candidates for Officers of the Association, and shall present its slate of nominees to the Board of Directors prior to presentation at the regular spring meeting of the Board of Directors.

Article VIII. Elections

The Officers (President and President-Elect) of the Association shall be elected by the Directors of the Association at the regular spring meeting as stated in the By-Laws. The Directors of the Association shall be elected by the Directors of the Association at the regular fall meeting as stated in the By-Laws.

Article IX. Amendments

This Constitution and its By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the Association by two-thirds vote of the members present and eligible to vote, and shall be reviewed for possible revision each five years after adoption.