

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY DANCE TEAM ALUMNI SOCIETY
A CONSTITUENT ORGANIZATION OF
THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization is The Ohio State University Dance Team Alumni Society (hereinafter referred to as “the Society”).

ARTICLE II – OBJECT

The Society is formed to promote the advancement of the interests of The Ohio State University Dance Team and The Ohio State University, and to promote closer fellowship among the alumni of The Ohio State University Dance Team and The Ohio State University. It shall be an integral part of The Ohio State University Alumni Association, Inc., (hereafter referred to as the Association), the official alumni organization of The Ohio State University, (hereafter referred to as the University). The Society will also promote and support the mission of The Ohio State University Alumni Association, Inc.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP & DUES

Section 1: All persons who meet the requirement of Membership as defined in the Society’s Bylaws, who are eligible for membership in the Association, as outlined in Article 1, Section 2 of the Association’s Constitution, are eligible for membership in the Society and may hold office and vote on matters of the Society.

Section 2: Such non-alumni, who by their interest and activity, have distinguished themselves by their work for the Society may be entitled to honorary membership by special action of the Board of Governors of the Society. Honorary members may not hold office and are not eligible to vote on matters of the Society.

Section 3: Such non-alumni or alumni who do not qualify for membership under Art. III, Sec. 1, who express an interest in membership in the Society may be granted associate membership in the Society. Associate members may not hold office and are not eligible to vote on matters of the Society.

Section 4: Dues are established by the Board of Governors.

Section 5: Membership in good standing is defined as having membership dues paid for current year.

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ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

Section 1: The officers of the Society shall consist of President, President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer, all of whom must be Active Members of the Association and the Society, as defined by Article 1, Section 3 of the Association's Constitution.

Section 2: The duties of the officers shall be such as are generally exercised by such officers, and such as may be assigned to them respectively by the Board of Governors from time to time.

ARTICLE V - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1: The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, and shall be chairperson of the Board of Governors and an ex officio member of all Committees.

Section 2: The President-Elect shall assist the President and shall perform the duties of the President, at the request of the President or in the event of his/her absence or disability. Should the Office of the President become vacant, he/she shall become President for the duration of the unexpired term. The President-Elect shall be a Member of the Board of Governors.

Section 3: The Secretary shall have custody of the names and contact information of Active Members of the Society as provided by the Association and shall record all changes, additions and corrections, and shall notify the Association of same. In addition, any alumni contact information updates as gleaned through society business.

The Society shall not release the list without prior approval of the Association. Any person(s) in violation of this policy shall be subject to expulsion from office by the Board of Directors of The Ohio State University Alumni Association, Inc.

Section 4: The Treasurer shall supervise all receipts and expenditures and shall keep all records in accordance with generally recognized accounting principles. If dues are charged, the Treasurer shall be responsible for overseeing the process and distribution of dues, subject to the approval of the Board of Governors. As requested, the Treasurer shall complete and submit annual financial forms to the Association. Additionally, the Treasurer shall complete and submit any documents that may be required by the Internal Revenue Service.

ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Section 1: Board of Governors, all of whom must be Active Members of the Association, as defined by Article 1, Section 3 of the Association's Constitution, shall consist of:

- a. The above-named officers listed in Art. IV.
- b. The immediate past president.
- c. Six to ten members at large elected to the board by the membership of the Society as outlined in Article IX.

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- d. The President/CEO of the Association, or his/her designee, as an ex officio member, without a vote.
- e. The Coach to The Ohio State University Dance Team, or his/her designee, as an ex officio member, without a vote.
- f. A student representative(s) selected by the Coach(s) to The Ohio State University Dance Team to serve as an ex officio voting member(s).

Section 2: The Board of Governors shall have full power to fill all vacancies.

Section 3: The governance of the Society and the direction of its activities shall be vested in the Board of Governors.

Section 4: A meeting of the Board of Governors must be called by the President of the Society upon written request of at least three members of The Board of Governors.

Section 5: The Board of Governors shall meet at least two times per year, and shall meet at such times and places as may be decided by the President.

Section 6: The Board of Governors shall have full power to remove a board member as defined in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII – MEETINGS

Section 1: At least one meeting of the general membership of the Society must be held each year. Failure to comply with this provision shall make the Society charter subject to revocation by the Association.

Section 2: The Annual Meeting of the general membership of the Society shall be held during the Annual Reunion of the Society or at such other time and place as the Board of Governors may decide.

Section 3: There shall be other such general membership meetings each year as the President, with the approval of the Board of Governors of the Society, deems desirable.

Section 4: The President of the Society must call a general membership meeting of the Society upon the written request of a majority of the Members of the Board of Governors. Upon failure of the President to call such a meeting within ten days of such request, the meeting may be called by any other member of the Board of Governors, or by the petitioning Members. In either instance, the representative of the Association, or his/her designee, shall be notified, and he/she shall send due notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting to all members of the Society.

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Section 5: Where this Constitution fails to provide authority for procedure, *Roberts Rules of Order* shall be used.

ARTICLE VIII – COMMITTEES

Section 1: The President of the Society shall appoint the following standing committees with the approval of the Board:

- a. Meetings and Events: It shall be the function of this committee to organize the meetings of the Society; plan the events; obtain the publicity for them; and to get notification by mail, electronic means or phone, to the members of the Society.
- b. Membership: It shall be the duty of this committee to recruit and retain members of the Society. The committee will also encourage alumni to become Active Members of the Association, Inc. whenever possible.

Section 2: The President of the Society will have the power to appoint additional committees with the approval of the Board of Governors, as in the President’s judgment the interests of the Society may require, and may prescribe the duties of such committees.

Section 3: Committees not represented and elected on the Board of Governors, may be chaired by alumni, associate or honorary members of the Society.

Section 4: The committees and their functions are outlined in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE IX – ELECTIONS

The Board of Governors shall be elected each year at the Annual Meeting by a majority vote, and shall hold office until their successors have been qualified and elected. The procedure for election is outlined in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE X - BYLAWS

The Society is permitted to establish bylaws at any regular board meeting of the Society, a quorum being present, by a two-third vote of all board members present, provided that notice of such proposed bylaw(s) shall have been communicated via mail or electronic means to each board member at least ten days before such meeting. No amendment or addition to the bylaws can be made which is not in harmony with the Society constitution or is contrary to the constitution of the Association.

ARTICLE XI – ADOPTION

This Constitution shall be officially adopted upon its approval by majority vote of the Members in Good Standing present at a duly called general membership meeting of the Society, subject to

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approval by the Board of Directors of the Association. It shall take effect upon the granting of the charter of the Board of Directors of The Ohio State University Alumni Association, Inc., authorizing its functioning as one of the official alumni constituent societies of The Ohio State University.

ARTICLE XII – AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the total votes cast in a manner decided upon by the Board of Governors of the Society. No amendments shall take effect until duly approved by the Board of Directors of the Association.

Adopted _____ as approved by the Association’s Board of Directors

Revised and Approved by Association’s Board of Directors: _____[Date]

Adopted by Board: _____ [Date]

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