

# **ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BYLAWS**

### ARTICLE I

Section 1 This organization shall be known as the Marshall University's School of Nursing Alumni Association.

### ARTICLE II

The Marshall University's School of Nursing Alumni Association shall:

Section1 Act as a unifying body for the Alumni of the School of Nursing

Section 2 Promote and support the good name and prestige of the School of Nursing

# ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

- Section1 All graduates of the Marshall University's School of Nursing are eligible to be members of the Alumni Association. The Chair of the School of Nursing shall be a permanent member of the Board of Directors and serve as Chairman of the committee for Alumni Scholarship Awards.
  - A. Active members shall be those who pay a yearly membership fee. These members shall have voting privileges and are eligible to hold office.
- Section 2 The annual membership fee of the Association shall be \$25.00 for all members.

# ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

- Section 1 The officers of the organization shall consist of: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
- Section 2 The officers of the organization shall be elected to serve for a two-year term and may be re-elected to succeeding terms.
  - A. The President and Treasurer shall be elected in even years and will assume office at the beginning of the next calendar year.
  - B. The Vice President and Secretary shall be elected in odd years and will assume office at the beginning of the next calendar year.
  - C. All active members in good standing are eligible to hold office.

# Section 3 Duties of the Officers:

#### President

- A. Preside at all meetings
- B. Call special meetings
- C. May write checks in absence of Treasurer
- D. Appoint committees not otherwise provided for in the bylaws
- E. Preside at meetings of the Board of Directors
- F. Serve as ex officio member of all committees
- G. Schedule the meeting after consultation with the Chair of the School of Nursing
- H. Prepare an agenda for meetings
- I. Serve as a member of Alumni Scholarship Committee

#### **Vice President**

- A. Perform such duties as shall be assigned by the President
- B. Carry on the duties of the President in their absence
- C. Assume the office of the President in the event they are unable to complete the term in office

## Secretary

- A. Conduct the correspondence of the Association
- B. Record and read minutes of all meetings
- C. Serves as a member of Alumni Scholarship Committee
- D. Maintain custody of all books and records
- E. Preside at meetings of the Association in the absence of the President and Vice President

# Treasurer

- A. Collect all dues
- B. Sign checks for payment of bills
- C. Maintain a record of all money received and expended
- D. Submit a report at each meeting
- E. Prepare the books for an annual audit at the end of the calendar year
- F. Submit a written financial report to the Board of Directors then to the members
- G. Serve as a member of Alumni Scholarship Committee.

# **ARTICLE V**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- Section 1 The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of the Association, Chair of the School of Nursing and four elected members of the organization who are in good standing.
- Section 2 Two board members will be elected in the even years and two elected in the odd years.

- Section 3 Duties of the Board of Directors shall be:
  - A. Assist in preparation of the policies for the Association and make recommendation to the membership.
  - B. They shall be empowered to act on behalf of the Association on matters of an urgent nature.
  - C. All action taken by the Board of Directors will be reported to the membership at the annual meeting.
  - D. The Board of Directors shall serve as a liaison between the membership and the Association and the School of Nursing.

# ARTICLE VI

# **COMMITTEES**

- Section 1 There shall be two standing committees:
  - A. Nominating Committee:
    - 1. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President.
    - 2. The Committee shall prepare a slate of officers for each office to be filed.
    - 3. The Committee shall present the slate of officers to the membership each October for a vote.
  - B. Alumni Scholarship Committee:
    - 1. The Alumni Scholarship Committee shall consist of the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Chair of the School of Nursing.
    - 2. The Committee shall be responsible for selection of the student(s) to receive the scholarship award(s).

### ARTICLE VII

### MEETINGS AND QUORUM

- Section 1 There shall be at least two meetings annually for the Board of Directors. Additional meetings shall be called at the discretion of the President.
- Section 2 A quorum for the Board of Directors shall consist of no less than five (5) members with a minimum of two (2) officers included in this number.
- Section 3 Active members of the alumni organization shall be the voting body. A quorum will consist of the simple majority (50% +1) of the active members present.

# **ARTICLE VIII**

# MEETING OF ORGANIZATION

Section 1	Annual meetings will be held in October.
Section 2	Elected members will be voted on at this time.
Section 3	Newly elected members will take office in January of the following year.
Section 4	Membership dues will be collected in December
	ARTICLE IX FUNDS AND FINANCE
Section 1	Source of funds shall be annual membership dues, special gifts, donations, and fundraisers.
Section 2	Annually, The Association shall recognize and make awards to graduating students of the Marshall University School of Nursing in each of the following categories:
	<ul><li>A. Spirit of Nursing- Pre-licensure program</li><li>B. Scholastic Achievement- BSN program</li><li>C. Scholastic Achievement- Graduate program</li></ul>
Section 3	In the event of the termination of the Marshall University School of Nursing Alumni Association, the financial assets will be donated to the Marshall University School of Nursing Foundation Fund.
	ARTICLE X PARLIAMETARY PROCEDURE
Section 1	For procedures not covered in bylaws of this Association, the most current edition of Roberts' Rule of Order, Modern Edition shall be the authority.
	ARTICLE XI AMMENDMENTS
Section 1	A. Bylaws may be amended or repealed a meeting by the two-thirds vote of the members present, provided members have been notified prior to meeting.

- Section 2 B. Amendments may be proposed by any active Association member.
  - C. All proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing for review by the Board of Director of the Association.