

CONSTITUTION OF THE CLASS OF 1965 OF DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

ARTICLE I---Name: The name of the organization shall be the Class of 1965 of Dartmouth College (the "Class").

ARTICLE II---Purpose: The purpose of the organization shall be to develop a strong and enduring Class structure in order to further the interests, welfare, and educational purposes of Dartmouth College, for so long as the Class is in existence and Dartmouth College remains organized exclusively for charitable, educational or scientific purposes within the meaning of Sections 501 © (3) and 170 (b) (1) (A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

ARTICLE III---Membership: All persons who entered with the Class of 1965 or who transferred from another college directly into the Class of 1965 or who graduated as of the Class of 1965 whether at the regular Commencement or at some other time, or who are elected to honorary membership at a Class meeting, are members of this organization.

ARTICLE IV--- Meetings:

Section 1: There shall be a meeting of the Class in Hanover at every regular reunion. Other meetings may be called by the President at any time, as deemed necessary.

Section 2: Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of Class meetings.

ARTICLE V---Suffrage: All members of the Class shall be entitled to vote at all meetings, except that any member whose Class dues are in arrears on the day of a Class election shall forfeit his right to vote in that election.

ARTICLE VI---Eligibility to Hold Office: All members of the Class qualified to vote under Article V shall be eligible for election to any office in this organization.

ARTICLE VII---Executive Committee:

Section 1: The Executive Committee shall constitute the policy-making body of the Class and act on its behalf concerning the Class and its affairs.

Section 2: Eleven or more members of the Class shall constitute the Class Executive Committee. They shall be elected at the regular Class meeting held during a formal reunion.

Section 3: Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be announced and held at least once a year. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at such time and place as the President or any three officers may announce.

Section 4: The Executive Committee is authorized to take action with a majority vote of those present at an announced meeting.

Section 5: Vacancies on or additions to the Executive Committee shall be filled through nominations from either the Nominating Committee or the President and approval by vote of the Executive Committee.

Section 6: All officers, whether elected by the Class or the Executive Committee, or appointed by the President shall be members ex-officio of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII---Officers:

Section 1: The Class shall elect a President, between one and five Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Head Agent, Newsletter Editor(s) and Alumni Council Representative of the Class. Other officers such as Mini-Reunion Chairman, Reunion Chairman, Reunion Giving Chairman, Bequest Chairman, Nominating Chairman, etc., shall be appointed by the president. (See Article X--Powers & Duties of Officers).

Section 2: The Executive Committee shall have the power at any time to remove from office any officer who, in the opinion of that Committee, is not serving the best interests of the Class or the College.

Section 3: A vacancy in the office of President, Secretary or Treasurer shall be filled by the Executive Committee. A vacancy in any other elective or appointive office may be filled by the President. The assistance of a Nominating Committee may be utilized in either category.

ARTICLE IX—Terms of Office: The term of office for all officers, elected or appointed, and members of the Executive Committee shall be from formal reunion to formal reunion, or as otherwise determined by the Executive Committee. (An exception is the Alumni Councilor, who serves for 3 years.)

ARTICLE X—Powers and Duties of Officers:

Section 1: Officers elected by the Class or Executive Committee shall have the following duties:

- a) The President shall act as the executive head of the Class. It shall be his responsibility to initiate new projects and carry out the policies of the Executive Committee. In addition, the President shall exercise general supervision over all other officers to ensure the proper performance of their functions.
- b) The Vice President(s) shall organize and carry out the Executive Committee's policies at the regional level, as well as oversee the operation and completion of specific projects assigned by the President.
- c) The Secretary shall be the primary link between individual alumni and the College, and shall prepare the Class Notes and Obituary Notes for the Dartmouth Alumni Magazine. The Secretary shall be the custodian of Class files and records.
- d) The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Class subject to the direction of the Executive Committee, and shall submit an annual financial report to the Executive Committee.
- e) The Head Agent shall conduct the annual Alumni Fund solicitation for the benefit of the College.
- f) The Newsletter Editor(s) shall be responsible for editing the Class Newsletter. The newsletter will serve as the regular avenue of communication between Class members and officers.
- g) The Alumni Councilor shall be responsible for communications between the Class and the Council, representing Class interests.

Section 2: Officers appointed by the President shall have the following duties:

- a) The Mini-Reunion Chair shall be responsible for the planning of all major non-reunion gatherings of the Class.
- b) The Reunion Chair shall be responsible for planning and conducting the next official reunion of the Class.
- c) The Reunion Giving Chair shall plan and conduct the special Reunion solicitation for the benefit of the College.
- d) The Bequest Chair shall be responsible for bequest and trust planning of members of the Class for the benefit of the College.
- e) The Nominating Committee Chair and members shall present a slate of elective officers to the regular meeting of the Class.

Section 3: The President may also appoint chairmen of other committees not listed above. Such committees may be formed to accomplish particular duties such as assisting with mini-reunions, administering Class projects and Class award programs, etc.

Section 4: All officers and committee chairmen shall submit to the President written reports of the activities of their office or committee at or near the end of each year or upon completion of a special assignment.

ARTICLE XI—Nominating Committee:

Section 1: The President shall appoint the Nominating Committee Chair and Members at least six months in advance of each formal reunion of the Class.

Section 2: The Nominating Committee shall nominate a Class President, Vice President(s), Secretary, Treasurer, Head Agent, Newsletter Editor(s), Alumni Council Representative, and Executive Committee at the formal Reunion Class meeting.

Section 3: In addition, the Nominating Committee or chairman of the regular Class meeting shall solicit nominations for Class officers from the Class at large.

ARTICLE XII---The Class Year: The year of the Class shall be from July 1 of one year to June 30 of the next. Unless otherwise determined, the annual activities and reports of the Class shall conform to that period of time.

ARTICLE XIII---Dues and/or Assessments:

Section 1: Class dues shall be levied each year upon each member of the Class. The amount of the annual dues shall remain constant until changed by vote of the Executive Committee.

Section 2: Special assessments, in addition to dues, may be levied upon each member of the Class. The amount and purpose of such special assessment shall be determined by vote of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XIV---Private Inurement: No part of the net earnings of the Class shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any Class member, officer, or any other private person or individual. All of the assets and net earnings of the Class shall be used to further its (Dartmouth's) educational and charitable purposes.

ARTICLE XV---Political Activity: No substantial part of the activities of the Class shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The Class shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE XVI---Adoption: This constitution shall become effective upon the approval of two-thirds of those Class members voting by official ballot. Votes must be received by the Class Secretary within three weeks of mailing the ballot from Hanover.

ARTICLE XVII---Amendments: A two-thirds vote of those members voting at any Class meeting or by official ballot shall be necessary to incorporate amendments into this constitution.

ARTICLE XVIII---Dissolution: The Class shall be deemed to be dissolved at such time as there shall be no member living whose address is known to the Alumni Relations Office of Dartmouth College, or sooner if the number of Class members becomes so few as to render it impractical to continue the organization's existence. Upon dissolution or termination, all of the property and assets of the Class shall, after the payment of any lawful debts, be distributed to Dartmouth College or for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 © (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

[This Constitution and official ballots were mailed to all members of Dartmouth College Class of 1965 in May of 1996. Ballots were received and recorded by Secretary Richard Bordeau, and the Constitution was duly passed by a vote of 67 in favor, 2 against.

Jim Griffiths, Pres.

June 28, 1996]