

CONSTITUTION
GADSDEN STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I - NAME AND LOCATION

Section 1

The name of this organization shall be the Gadsden State Community College Alumni Association, hereinafter referred to as the "Association."

Section 2

Offices of the Association shall be located in Alabama at Gadsden State Community College (hereinafter referred to as the "College") and/or in such other localities as may be determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE II - MISSION AND PURPOSES

Section 1

The Association will advance, support and promote the interests of the College, its students, alumni and Association members.

Section 2

The objectives of the Association shall be:

- A. To promote community support for the College
- B. To maintain communication and contacts between the College, Board of Directors, and alumni
- C. To participate in the decision-making processes pertaining to the College
- D. To represent interests of alumni within the College
- E. To solicit, publish or furnish information as required to support the mission
- F. To assist students and alumni in the achievement of their academic goals
- G. To acknowledge the achievements of students and alumni

Section 3

The purposes for which the Association is organized are exclusively religious, charitable, scientific, literary and educational within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

Section 2

The President shall preside at each meeting of the Association and the Executive Board. The President shall perform such duties as may be assigned to the office either by the Association duly convened or by decision of the Executive Board, unless otherwise provided, and shall perform other duties that promote the mission and purpose of the Association. The President shall appoint all committees unless otherwise provided.

Section 3

The Vice President/President Elect shall assume the duties of the President in case of the President's inability to serve. The Vice President/President Elect shall assist the President and perform such additional duties as the President or the Executive Board may designate. The Vice President/President Elect will become the President of the Association for the new year at the end of the current term of the outgoing President.

Section 4

The Secretary shall record the Association and Executive Board meeting minutes. In addition, the Secretary shall keep all records of the activities of the Association and other duties as may be developed by the Executive Board or Association.

Section 5

The Treasurer shall work in conjunction with the College to keep an accurate account of all membership dues and funds from other sources. The Treasurer shall render reports to the Executive Board and the Association giving itemized statements of the accounts of the Association. The Treasurer shall sign check requests for funds only upon the order of the President or Executive Board.

Section 6

Prior to the meeting at which officers are to be elected, a nominating committee shall present to the membership a slate of nominees for officers and nominees for members-at-large of the Association. Election of officers shall be held at the annual meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor providing prior consent to serve has been given by the person to be nominated. The nominating committee shall publish a slate of officers at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting.

Section 7

All officers of the Association shall be elected for a two-year term beginning January 1 and ending December 31.

Section 8

In case of a vacancy in the office of President, the Vice President/President Elect shall become President. A vacancy in any other ol

ARTICLE V - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1

The governing body of the Association shall be the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have supervision, control and direction of the affairs of the Association, its committees and publications; shall determine its policies or changes therein; shall actively pursue its objectives and supervise the disbursement of its funds. The board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its business as shall be deemed advisable, and may, in the execution of the powers granted, delegate certain of its authority and responsibility to the

Section 9

Any vacancy occurring on the Board of Directors between annual meetings shall be filled by an appointment made by the President. The Director so selected shall serve the unexpired term of his or her predecessor. The Board of Directors may remove any Director by an affirmative two-thirds (2/3) vote

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS AND VOTING

Section 1

The annual business meeting of the Association shall be held at such place and on such dates as may be determined by the Executive Board.

Section 2

Special meetings of the Association may be called by the Board of Directors at any time, or shall be called by the President upon receipt of a written request by one-tenth (1/10) of the members, within thirty (30) days of filing the request with the President or College Association liaison designee(s). The business to be transacted at any special meeting shall be stated in the notice thereof.

Section 3

Notice of any Association business meeting at which official Association business is to be transacted shall be made to the Board of Directors no less than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting.

Section 4

At all Association business meetings each director shall have one (1) vote, and may take part and vote in person only. Unless otherwise specifically provided by these bylaws, a majority of the directors present and voting shall govern.

Section 5

At an annual business meeting or special meeting, a majority of the voting members of the Board present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction for the business of the Association and any such business thus transacted shall be valid providing it is affirmatively passed upon by a majority vote of those present and voting.

ARTICLE VIII - DUES

Section 1

Dues for all members shall be established by the Board of Directors.

Section 2

A one (1) year complimentary graduate membership shall be given to all persons completing a certificate or degree program at the College.

Section 3

Dues shall be paid annually to renew membership status.

Section 4

No dues shall be refunded to any member whose membership terminates for any reason.

