



CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
OF THE
ONEONTA HIGH SCHOOL
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I: Name

The name of the Association shall be the Oneonta High School Alumni Association.

ARTICLE II: Mission

The mission of the Association is to effectively promote interest, pride, and awareness of Oneonta High School and its alumni, faculty, staff, students, and friends.

In pursuance of this mission, the Association at its discretion will seek, but not limit itself, to:

- A. Encourage and support local and regional activities;
- B. Recognize and reward faculty and student academic excellence and achievement through awards and scholarships;
- C. Enhance Oneonta High School through educational, cultural, and enrichment programs;
- D. Recognize the achievements of alumni, faculty, and friends who have distinguished themselves in their careers and/or their service to Oneonta High School, the Association, or their community;
- E. Foster community support for Oneonta High School;
- F. Maintain communication and contacts between Oneonta High School and its alumni and other constituent groups;
- G. Facilitate the growth, organization, and maintenance of the school's archival material.

ARTICLE III: Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Association shall be from January 1–December 31. The Board shall approve an operating budget for the Association.

ARTICLE IV: Membership

All people who have attended Oneonta High School as students or whose employment has included services to Oneonta High School are eligible for membership in the association. In addition, the Association will be authorized to offer membership to individuals who have had a special connection with, or made a special contribution to, Oneonta High School. A member of the Oneonta High School Alumni Association is an aforementioned individual whose membership dues are current and who upholds the mission of the Association.

Memberships will be revoked for those who fail to uphold the mission of the Association, or who otherwise undermine it, by a 2/3 majority vote of the full Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V: Board of Directors and Officers

The Board of Directors of the Association shall be the governing body and shall carry out its mission and policies. It shall consist of The Officers of the Association and at-large members. To the extent feasible, the Board shall be representative of the diversity of the Association's membership.

The Officers of the Association shall be:

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer
5. Past-President (will serve for one year following his/her term)
6. President-Elect (will serve for one year preceding his/her term)

A. Nomination, Election and Terms of Officers

Nominations of Officers will occur at the June board meeting. At-large members, past and current officers may make nominations for new officers of the Board. Election of officers requires a simple majority vote of the Board. Officer terms shall be for 2 years and may serve consecutive terms by a simple majority vote.

ARTICLE VI: Meetings

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held beginning in the spring and continue monthly until the fall, after the alumni weekend is held. Notices of each meeting shall be given at least three (3) weeks prior to the date of the meeting. All meetings will be open to the entire membership. Additional meetings can be called as needed.

ARTICLE VII: Committees

Alumni Association Board members shall be appointed by the President to serve on one or more committees of the Association. However, it is expected that most committees will also include members of the Association who do not serve on the Board. Committees include, but are not limited to:

1. Finance Committee
2. Membership Committee
3. Media Relations Committee
4. Awards/Scholarship Committee
5. Newsletter Committee

Ad Hoc committees may be created as needed by the President.

ARTICLE VIII: Amendments

The Constitution and Bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the Board of Directors by a 2/3 majority vote of the full Board of Directors.