

# ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF GOD'S BIBLE SCHOOL AND COLLEGE CONSTITUTION

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## **Article I – Name**

The name of this organization shall be known as the Alumni Association of God's Bible School and College.

## **Article II – Mission Statement**

The purpose of this Alumni Association will be to promote a collective fellowship among the GBSC Alumni family and to provide aid in generating interest in the advancement of the college and its mission. In achieving its goal of training men and women for Christian ministry, the Alumni Association shall assist in accomplishing these goals by:

- 1). Faithfully praying for the students, staff, and faculty
- 2.) Personal involvement
- 3.) Financial support
- 4). Student recruitment
- 5). Consistent representation before the public
- 6.) Provide a link of communication between the Alumni Association and the Board of Trustees

## **Article III – Doctrinal Statement**

The Alumni Association of God's Bible School and College subscribes to the Doctrinal Statement found in Article IV of the Constitution of God's Bible School and College.

## **Article IV – Membership**

Membership in the GBSC Alumni Association shall be open to all persons who attended the high school or college departments of God's Bible School and College.

Voting rights and holding office shall be restricted to a member of the Alumni Association.

## **Article V - Executive Council**

The Executive Council of the Alumni Association shall consist of the following eight members:

- 1). President
- 2). First vice-president
- 3). Second vice-president
- 4). Secretary
- 5). Treasurer
- 6). Members at Large (3)

GBSC shall appoint a liaison to the Executive Council that will serve as a voting member.

This council shall exist to provide a voice and be a liaison between God's Bible School and College, its alumni and its constituency.

The Alumni shall elect from its membership, by ballot, those who will serve on the Alumni Executive Council. The results shall be tabulated by the secretary (and an appointed teller) with the results of the names receiving the highest number of votes being announced at the annual meeting.

The duties of the president are to preside at all meetings of the Executive Council and to perform such functions as shall be assigned to him by the Executive Council. The president shall also serve, according to the Constitution of God's Bible School and College, as a member of the GBSC Board of Trustees.

The first vice-president shall preside at a meeting of the Executive Council in the absence of the president. The second vice-president shall preside in the absence of the president and first vice-president.

The secretary shall keep current and accurate records of all sessions of the Executive Council, shall preserve in separate files all official and business correspondence of the Executive Council, and shall keep all minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association. Distribution of the minutes should be made to all members of the Executive Council.

The treasurer shall serve as a liaison between the Executive Council and the Director of Finance of GBSC. The treasurer shall report to the Executive Council.

The members at large shall provide leadership and wisdom in the business of the Executive Council.

Meetings of the Executive Council shall be called by the president. All of the Council members shall be notified of a meeting at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Five members of the Council present shall constitute a quorum.

#### **Article VI – Election of Officers**

Officers of the Alumni Executive Council shall hold office for three years, the officers being staggered by arrangement of the Council so that not more than four members shall be elected in any one year. No officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms. Any vacancy arising in the Council shall be filled by the Council for the remaining term.

The Executive Council shall provide a list of approved candidates for each office with at least two proposed named for each office to be filled. All candidates shall be members of the Alumni Association. Alumni members may submit nominations for any elected office to the secretary for consideration by the Executive Council.

The approved ballot shall be announced through the *Revivalist* at least one month before the annual meeting. All ballots cast by members of the Alumni Association should be sent to the secretary or brought to the annual meeting for tabulation. The election results shall be announced at the annual meeting. Officers will begin their term of office immediately following the adjournment of the annual meeting.

#### **Article V – Local Alumni Chapters**

Understanding that the alumni are the backbone of God's Bible School and College, a strong bond should exist between GBSC and its alumni. Activity promoted by local chapters would provide this connection. The development of local alumni chapters is strongly suggested.

Alumni members, within a locale may desire to have a functioning local alumni chapter. This chapter would exist for the promotion of fellowship with other GBSC alumni and make alumni project suggestions to advance the mission of GBSC. These chapters would elect local officers and conduct their own meetings and provide information to the Executive Council the furtherance of GBSC.

A chapter would adopt a name and be recognized as a local chapter after approval by the Executive Council. All activity within the local chapter would be for the positive influence, support, and promotion of GBSC.

Local chapters would provide a valuable contribution not only with projects and financial support but with alumni news which could be published in the *Revivalist* or the GBSC website.

#### **Article VI – Amendments**

An amendment to this Constitution may be made with a majority vote of the Executive Council and a two-thirds majority of the voting members of the Alumni Association. Notice of the proposed amendment shall be published in the *Revivalist* at least three months prior to the annual meeting. A ballot shall be published in the *Revivalist* at least one month prior to the annual meeting. All ballots, cast by mail, or at the annual meeting shall be counted. The results of the voting shall be announced at the annual meeting and shall take effect at the adjournment of the annual meeting.

#### **Article VII – By-Laws**

By-Laws may be added to the Constitution by the same method as an amendment. (see Article VI)