

NATURAL RESOURCES ALUMNI BOARD CONSTITUTION

College of Natural Resources

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

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Article I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Virginia Tech Natural Resources Alumni Organization, hereinafter referred to as the "College of Natural Resources Alumni Board" or "CNRAB". It is a constituent organization of the Virginia Tech Alumni Association.

Article II - PURPOSE

The Virginia Tech College of Natural Resources Alumni Board shall have as its objectives:

Section 1.

To maintain an effective college alumni organization as a constituent organization of the Virginia Tech Alumni Association.

Section 2.

To promote the general welfare of the College in concert with prospective students, students, administrators, faculty, and staff of the College of Natural Resources.

Section 3.

To encourage cooperation, support, communication, and networking among prospective students, students, administrators, faculty, staff, and alumni of the College of Natural Resources.

Section 4.

To serve as the parent organization for all alumni groups within the College of Natural Resources.

Article III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.

All graduates of any degree program offered by the College of Natural Resources at Virginia Tech are members of the College of Natural Resources Alumni Board. Membership will also be extended to graduates of programs in the University related to natural resources. Current and former faculty, administrators, and staff members of the College are also eligible for membership.

Section 2.

Other persons, who by their interests and activities, have distinguished themselves through their support of, or work with, the College may be offered membership as a "Friend" of the College of Natural Resources Alumni Board by action of the Board of Directors of the College of Natural Resources Alumni Board.

Article IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1.

The College of Natural Resources Alumni Board shall have a Board of Directors representative of the membership, selected with consideration given to curriculum, geographic representation of each region, and diversity; an appropriate student representative(s); and the following ex-officio members to include but not limited to: Dean of the College; Assistant Director of Alumni Relations for the College of Natural Resources; and the Director of Development for the College of Natural Resources.

BY-LAWS

Article I - ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Section 1.

The term of office for each elected Board Member shall be three years beginning at the annual meeting. A person may serve no more than two consecutive terms as a Board Member unless otherwise approved by a majority vote of the College of Natural Resource Alumni Board. Terms should not all be concurrent and should be staggered to insure continuity.

Section 2.

The slate of nominees shall be presented to the Board. The candidate with the highest number of votes in each vacancy shall be selected.

Section 3.

In the event of a vacancy, an interim member may be appointed by the Board to fill the

term of the vacancy until the next election. A person filling such a vacancy shall be eligible for election to two additional terms on the Board.

Article II - OPERATION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1.

The officers of the College of Natural Resources Alumni Board shall be the President, President-elect, and Secretary-Treasurer, elected by the Board of Directors by majority vote from its membership each year.

Section 2.

The officers are authorized to transact business between Board meetings.

Section 3.

In the event of death, resignation, or disqualification of officers, the Board shall elect another Board member to fill the vacancy. The President-elect shall succeed to the office of President in the event a vacancy occurs. If the President-elect cannot succeed to the Presidency, then the Board shall name an interim President.

Section 4.

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the voting members of the Board. All actions of the Board of Directors shall be decided by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board members present.

Section 5.

A Board member absent from three consecutive meetings without being excused by the President will be replaced by the Board.

Article III - MEETINGS

Section 1.

At least one general meeting of the College of Natural Resources Alumni Board, to be known as the annual meeting, shall be held each year. The date and place will be fixed by the Board of Directors.

Section 2.

An annual meeting of the Board of Directors will be held in conjunction with this annual membership meeting.

Section 3.

Additional Board meetings may be called by the Board President, with the number of meetings to be determined by need.

Article IV - COMMITTEES

Section 1.

There shall be standing and/or ad hoc committees appointed by the Board of Directors, such as but not limited to - Programs, Awards, and Scholarships. All members are eligible to serve on committees, subject to re-appointment annually.

Article V - FINANCES

Section 1.

The College of Natural Resources Alumni Board shall not conduct Development activities.

Section 2.

The College of Natural Resources Alumni Board expenses will be included in the Virginia Tech College of Natural Resources annual budget. Insofar as possible, activities of the College of Natural Resources Alumni Board will be self-supporting.

Section 3.

The Treasurer and Assistant Director for Alumni Relations shall have signature authority for all financial matters related to the College of Natural Resources Alumni Board.

Article VI - AMENDMENTS

Section 1.

This constitution may be revised or amended by a two-thirds majority of the Board, provided that the proposed amendment has been submitted to the Board members at least two weeks prior to a vote.

Article VII - ANNUAL REPORTS

Section 1.

The College of Natural Resources Alumni Board shall make an annual report to the membership and the Board of Directors of the Virginia Tech Alumni Association. This report may include the accomplishments of the previous year and major future planning.

Article VIII

This Constitution will take effect upon recognition of the College of Natural Resources Alumni Board by the Virginia Tech Alumni Association as one of the official alumni organizations at Virginia Tech.

The Constitution and By-Laws are effective and adopted on October 7, 2000. (revision, September 17, 2009)