# <u>Dartmouth Class of 1968 Revised Constitution -Approved by</u> Class of '68 Committee May 30, 2020

#### ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the organization shall be the Class of 1968 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(c)(3) and 170(b)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

#### ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

All persons who entered with the Class of 1968, or who transferred from another college directly into the Class of 1968, or who graduated as of the Class of 1968, 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 useful. Class members may attend in person or remotely through then available technology.

Section 2. There shall be no quorum requirement, but all Class members shall be given reasonable notice of impending meetings, including where and when Class members may attend in person and how Class members may attend remotely through then available technology.

Section 3. Robert's Rules of Order, construed in a practical manner, shall govern the conduct of Class meetings.

#### ARTICLE V. SUFFRAGE

All members of the Class shall be entitled to vote without exception.

## ARTICLE VI. ELIGIBILITY TO HOLD OFFICE

All members of the Class shall be eligible for election to any office in this organization.

#### ARTICLE VII. CLASS of '68 COMMITTEE

Section 1. The Class of '68 Committee shall constitute the policy-making and executive body of the Class and act in its behalf concerning the Class and its affairs.

Section 2. The Class shall form a Class of '68 Committee of suitable size. Members shall be elected a) prior to graduation in the senior year, or b) at a Class meeting held during a regular reunion, or c) at such other time as the Class of '68 Committee may in its discretion reasonably determine.

Section 3. Meetings of the Class of '68 Committee shall be held at least once a year. Meetings of the Class of '68 Committee may be held at such time and place and with such technology as

the President, in consultation with Committee members, may determine.

Section 4. Candidates to be members of the Class of '68 Committee shall be nominated by either the Nominating Committee or the President and shall be elected by vote of the Class of '68 Committee or the Class.

Section 5. All officers of the Class shall be members ex officio of the Class of '68 Committee.

## ARTICLE VIII. OFFICERS

Section 1. The Class of '68 Committee or the Class shall elect a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Alumni Council Representative of the Class. Other officers, such as Head Agent, Newsletter Editor, Reunion Chairman, Planned Giving Chairman, Nominating Chairman, Mini-Reunion Chairman, etc., shall be appointed by the President, in consultation with the Class of '68 Committee.

Section 2. The Class of '68 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, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer shall be filled by the Class of '68 Committee in consultation with the Nominating Committee. A vacancy in any appointive office may be filled by the President in consultation with the Class of '68 and Nominating Committees.

## ARTICLE IX. TERMS OF OFFICE

The terms of office for all officers, elected or appointed, and members of the Class of '68 Committee shall be from formal reunion to formal reunion, or as otherwise determined by the Class of '68 Committee; provided, that during such term the person elected to serve as Alumni Councilor, shall serve only at such times as the Class is entitled to have a Classmate actively serving on the Alumni Council.

## ARTICLE X. POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- Section 1. Officers elected by the Class or the Class of '68 Committee shall have the following duties:
- a. The President will act as the executive head of the Class. It will be his/her responsibility to initiate new projects and carry out the policies of the Class of '68 Committee. In addition, the President shall exercise general supervision over all other officers, to ensure performance of their functions.
- b. The Vice President shall perform such duties as the President and the Class of '68 Committee may determine from time to time. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall preside at meetings of the Class or Class of '68 Committee.
- c. The Secretary shall prepare Class notes and obituary notes for the Dartmouth Alumni Magazine. The Secretary shall prepare minutes of the Class of '68 Committee meetings. The Secretary shall be the custodian of Class files and records.
- d. The Treasurer of the Class shall receive and disburse all funds of the Class subject to the direction of the Class of '68 Committee and shall submit an annual financial report to the Class of '68 Committee and the College.

- Section 2. Officers appointed by the President shall have the following duties:
- a. The Head Agent shall conduct the annual Alumni Fund solicitation for the benefit of the College.
- b. The Newsletter Editor shall be responsible for editing the Class newsletter. The newsletter will serve as one of the regular avenues of communication between officers and members of the Class.
- c. The Reunion Giving Chairman shall plan and conduct the solicitation for the benefit of the College.
- d. The Planned Giving Chairman shall be responsible for bequests and trust planning activities of members of the Class for the benefit of the College.
- e. The Reunion Chairman shall be responsible for planning and conducting the next official reunion of the Class.
- f. The Mini-Reunion Chairman shall be responsible for the organization and promotion of all major non-reunion gatherings of the Class.
- g. The Alumni Councilor shall be responsible for communications between the Class and the Council, representing all interests and concerns.
- 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 chairman 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 a chairman and members of a Nominating Committee in advance of each formal reunion of the Class. The Nominating Committee shall then nominate fifteen or more members of the Class for the Class of '68 Committee.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee may also nominate a Class President, Vice President, Secretary, Alumni Council Representative, and Treasurer. If the persons so nominated are not also nominees for the Class of '68 Committee, they shall be deemed nominees therefor.

Section 3. In addition, the Nominating Committee or President shall solicit nominations for Class officers from the Class at large.

Section 4. The Nominating Committee shall accomplish its selection process prior to a regular Class or Class of '68 Committee meeting for presentation to that meeting.

## 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 by the President in consultation with the Class of '68 Committee, 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 dues shall be decided by the Class of '68 Committee.

Section 2. Special assessments, in addition to dues, may be levied unpon each member of the Class. The amount and purpose of such special assessment shall be determined by vote of the Class of '68 Committee.

#### ARTICLE XIV. PRIVATE INUREMENT

No Class funds shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, any Class member, officers, or any other person; provided, however, that Class funds may be used to reimburse Class members for duly authorized expenditures incurred on behalf of the Class. All of the assets of the Class shall be used to further the purposes of Dartmouth College and of the Class as determined by the Class of '68 Committee.

## 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. AMENDMENTS

A two-thirds vote of those members voting at any Class meeting shall be necessary to incorporate amendments into this constitution.

#### ARTICLE XVII. DISSOLUTION

The Class shall be dissolved at such time as Dartmouth College determines, after due inquiry and having considered any objections made by Class members (or their surviving spouses), that the Class has ceased to function as an organization and/or that it is impractical to continue the organization's existence. Upon dissolution, all Class property and assets shall, after payment of any lawful debts, be distributed in accordance with the then current instructions of the Class, as set forth in a writing signed by the Class President, Class Treasurer, and Class Secretary, after approval by the Class of '68 Committee and delivered to the President of Dartmouth College or his/her designee; provided, however, that such instructions may only designate as recipients Dartmouth College and its affiliates or one or more Dartmouth-related exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. If there are no duly approved and signed written instructions, the property and assets shall be given to Dartmouth College for its general purposes.

## ARTICLE XVIII. ADOPTED CLASS MEMBERS

Adoptions to the Class may be proposed to the Class of '68 Committee or the Class by the President. The Class shall be informed of proposed adoptions via the Class Newsletter at least 60 days in advance of the Class or Class of '68 Committee meeting which will consider the adoption; provided that the period may be shortened if the Class of '68 Committee so recommends and that recommendation is approved by unanimous consent of voting Class members. This notice period shall afford the Class an opportunity to comment to any member of the Class of '68 Committee. Such adoptions may be approved at any meeting of the Class of '68 Committee or the Class by a two-thirds vote of those voting.