

ROCK FALLS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

BYLAWS

ARTICLE ONE.

NAME

The name of this organization shall be "Rock Falls High School Alumni Association" (referred to in these Bylaws as the "Rock Falls High School Alumni Association" or the "Association").

ARTICLE TWO.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association shall be to develop opportunities for alumni to remain connected to the community and to each other; to promote Rock Falls High School and its programs and activities; and to advise Rock Falls High School and its leadership.

1. Encouraging charitable contributions from the community as consistent with 501(c)(3) status of the Internal Revenue Code to maximize opportunities for student educational development.
2. Receiving and distributing property and funds through various means in accordance with 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, in order to maximize student outcomes;
3. Allowing Rock Falls' youth who are interested in personal development and improvement to benefit from investment in their individual and collective outcomes in the form of private, regional and national grants and funding resources;
4. Organizing and sponsoring networking events within the community by bringing together parents, teachers and community members;
5. Facilitating engagement and generating social capital within the community centered around Rock Falls' youth athletic, competitive and cultural events throughout the area;
6. Discovering and developing public and private resources by connecting them to immediate and long-term student needs to generate opportunity throughout the community.
7. Cultivating and encouraging scholastic, cultural, athletic and ethical capacities of students and alumni throughout the community.

**ARTICLE THREE.
ASSOCIATION ORGANIZATION**

A. Organization.

The Rock Falls High School Alumni Association is a charitable organization entirely distinct and wholly separate from the Rock Falls High School and related educational entities.

**ARTICLE FOUR.
MEMBERSHIP**

A member is defined as an individual who has graduated from Rock Falls High School. Membership in the Alumni Association shall be available without regard to race, sex, color, creed, national origin or sexual orientation.

**ARTICLE FIVE.
OFFICERS**

A. Titles.

The Officers of the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and shall comprise the Executive Committee. Nominations for officer positions may be submitted by any member of the Alumni Association and will be voted on by the Board of Directors at a meeting on the third Thursday in May and shall take office on June 1 of each year after election of the Board of Directors.

B. Terms.

The term of service of each officer shall be from June 1st until May 30th of the following year.

C. Duties.

1. The President shall coordinate meetings necessary to implement plans and strategies of the group. He or she will lead the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association Board in furthering the Association's mission. It is the responsibility of the President to lead and provide direction to the organization and interpret and redefine the mission as necessary.
2. The Vice-President shall be responsible for representing the Association at the at the request of the President and shall assume the duties of the President in his absence.
3. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the Association's meetings, draft correspondence regarding Association events and related activities. Such minutes, when possible, shall be distributed to the Board at its board meetings for approval of the Alumni Association board members.

4. The Treasurer shall manage the finances for the organization and submit at each Board meeting a summary of income and expenses including balances in any accounts at depositories as designated by the Board of Directors.

D. Fulfillment of Duties.

If any officer cannot fulfill his or her duties, he or she shall submit his or her resignation. In writing to Secretary of the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association. In the event of a resignation, a majority of the Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement for the resigning officer for the duration of the resigning officer's term from those serving as Directors. Such appointment shall be made at the meeting when such resignation is tendered to the Board of Directors, or if tendered before the next scheduled Board meeting, at the next scheduled Board meeting.

E. Removal.

An officer can be removed by a vote of 6 of the members of the Board of Directors. After such removal he or she shall be considered resigned from the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association Executive Committee and Board of Directors. A majority vote of the remaining members of the Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement for the removed officer of the Association for the duration of that officer's term from those serving as Directors. Such election shall be made at the meeting when such officer is removed from service.

**ARTICLE SIX.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

A. Elected Directors.

The Rock Falls High School Alumni Association Board of Directors shall consist of the Executive Committee and at least five (5) alumni of Rock Falls High School which may also include those designated by the Board to be an honorary alumnus of Rock Falls High School. An honorary alumnus shall be so designated by a majority of the vote of the Board of Directors in quorum. The total members of the Board of Directors shall not be more than 13.

The election to the Board of Directors to be elected each year shall be elected by the members of the Association on the third Thursday of May of each year with each member having one vote for each Director to be elected. The three members receiving the highest vote total shall be elected to the Board of Directors.

The initial Board of Directors shall consist of 9 directors, 4 of whom will be officers.

B. Elected Directors' Terms of Office.

Three of the initial nine directors will have a year term of office, three of the initial nine directors will have a two year term of office and three of the nine directors will have a three year term of office.

C. Fulfillment of Duties.

If a Director cannot fulfill his or her duties, he or she shall submit his or her resignation in writing to the Secretary of the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association. In the event of resignation of a Director from the Board of Directors, a replacement director shall be elected at the next regular meeting of the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association. Each member of the Alumni Association present shall have one vote for each director's position to be filled and the member receiving the highest vote total will be elected Director for the duration of the term of the Director who resigned.

D. Removal.

A director can be removed from office by a vote of 6 of the members of the Board of Directors. In the event of a removal of a Director from the Board of Directors, a replacement director shall be elected at the meeting of the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association when the Director was removed. Each member of the Alumni Association present shall have one vote for each director's position to be filled and the member received the highest vote total will be elected Director for the duration of the removed Director's term.

ARTICLE SEVEN. COMMITTEES

A. Standing Committees.

1. There shall be four standing committees of the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association: the Program Committee, the Advisory Committee, the Awards Committee and the Outreach Committee.

2. Members of the committees may be board members who select service on a particular committee or they may be non-board members appointed by the Executive Committee. Subsequent appointment to a committee is made by the Executive Committee.

B. Committee Duties.

1. The Program Committee shall be responsible for developing a yearly plan for programs and events designed to connect Rock Falls High School alumni, the community and current students. The programs may be social, educational, academic, cultural and athletic in nature.

2. The Advisory Committee shall provide alumni feedback, input and advice to the Superintendent and the President of the School Board of Rock Falls High School in matters related to Rock Falls High School, in addition to the board, more generally.

3. The Awards committee shall solicit and accept nominations for the Rock Falls High School Distinguished Alumni Award and other awards as may be determined. The Committee will review

submitted nominations and select award recipients.

4. The Outreach Committee shall develop a plan for encouraging interest and participation in the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association activities.

5. The Fundraising Committee will develop, maintain, and connect resources to need for the benefit of the outcome of students and the community.

ARTICLE EIGHT. DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under §501(c)(3) of the Code, as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the appropriate court of law of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, that are organized and operated exclusively for exempt purposes.

ARTICLE NINE. AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

These Bylaws of the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association may be amended at any time by a majority vote of the Rock Falls High School Alumni Association Board of Directors with adequate notice of no less than one month written notice given to all members of the annual meeting.