

## CHAPTER CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

1. ADOPTED: 29 June 2005

2. CONSTITUTION:

Article I – Name of Chapter: Greater New York Chapter of Association of Graduates (NYAOG)

Article II – Membership: Full membership eligibility is conferred only upon Dues Paying graduates Of USAFA. (United States Air Force Academy)  
Only full members can vote or hold office.

Article III – Objectives: 1) Further ideals, objectives, heritage, activities, and well-being of USAFA, The Cadet Wing, and all graduates of USAFA. 2) Foster camaraderie among graduates Of USAFA and provide a forum for networking. 3) Promote public understanding of USAFA. 4) Encourage worthy appointment candidates.

Article IV – Government: Functional and financial executive power is vested in the Board of Directors. The Board consists of four officers; President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, plus, other Directors-at-Large as approved by the sitting Board.

Article V – Finances: Dues and other fund raising activities will provide a source of funds for the Chapter's use. Expenditures will be authorized by the President, subject to Board Guidance and within the lines of the annual budget. An annual audit will be conducted.

Article VI – Amendments: Proposals for amendment will be put to the membership at the Board's Discretion. A proposal with a petition containing signatures from 10 percent of the Membership shall be put to a vote of the membership. A proposal for amendment shall Require a two thirds majority of the members voting in order to be adopted.

Article VII – Dissolution: In the event that the Chapter is dissolved, any funds remaining in the Treasury will be donated to the Air Force Academy AOG treasury.

### 3. BY LAWS

Section I – Membership: Members shall be as defined in the Constitution.

Section II – Dues: Dues shall be \$20.00 per year and the payment thereof is a requirement for membership.

Section III – Organization:

- A) The Chapter year is January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>.
- B) The Annual Business Meeting shall be held within 60 days of the year end. [i.e., in January or February].
- C) Directors and Officers shall be elected for a term of 2 years beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- D) A plurality of votes is required for election.
- E) The Board of Directors shall serve as the nomination committee for successor candidates.
- F) Officer and Director Duties Prescribed
  - a) Board: The Board of Directors shall meet semi-annually, at a minimum; establish ad hoc committees and Chapter offices; nominate chairmanships of ad hoc committees, ad hoc offices and successor directors; expel members when necessary.
  - b) President: The President is the CEO of the Chapter. He presides at Board and Chapter meetings, is an ex officio member of all committees and maintains a liaison with the Academy and the USAFA AOG.
  - c) Vice President: The Vice President oversees all committees, assists the President and assumes the President's duties in the absence of the President.
  - d) Secretary: The Secretary keeps the minutes of meetings, maintains the membership roster and maintains Chapter records.
  - e) Treasurer: The Treasurer maintains Chapter funds, reports financial status at meetings, bills the membership for annual dues, audits accounts and maintains financial records.
  - f) Program Director: The Program Director organizes events, coordinates with USAFA clubs and other Service Academy alumni associations.
  - g) Communications Director: The Communications Director is responsible for the Chapter newsletter, AOG Checkpoints, mailings and the website.
  - h) Additional Committees: Additional Committees are established by the Board and their chairmanships are as appointed by the Board.

Section IV – Meetings:

- A) Annual Business Meeting: An annual business meeting shall be held in accordance with The provisions of section III of the Bylaws.
- B) Quorum: A quorum is defined as 25 percent of the eligible Chapter members present.
- C) Order of Business: Meetings will be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.
- D) Miscellaneous Meetings: Other Chapter meetings may be called by the President or by Written request of 10 percent of the membership.

Section V – Changes or Amendments: Changes or amendments shall require a two thirds vote of the full Board.

Section VI – Charter Members: Members as of 29 June 2005 shall have the status of “Charter Members.”