

BYLAWS OF THE MOUNT HOLYOKE CLUB OF HARTFORD

ARTICLE I. NAME

This organization shall be known as the Mount Holyoke Club of Hartford (“Club”).

ARTICLE II. MISSION

The mission of this Club shall be to support the Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College (“Association”) and Mount Holyoke College (“College”) by cultivating an active group of alumnae in the Hartford area who are connected to, informed about, and involved in the life and work of the College. The Club is for social purposes only.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

A. Members.

There shall be three classes of members, known as active members, associate members, and honorary members. No certificates of membership shall be issued.

1. Active Member: Any alumna is eligible for Active Membership on the payment of annual dues except as waived by vote of the Board of Directors. An active member enjoys voting rights and is eligible to run for office in the Club.
2. Associate Member: Any former or present member of the faculty or parent/guardian of a present or past student may become an Associate Member of the Club on payment of annual dues except as waived by vote of the board of Directors. An associate member enjoys voting rights.
3. Honorary Member: Honorary membership is given to alumnae living in the club region who have reached their 50th reunion and who register as such. The Board of Directors may also nominate special persons for Honorary Membership in the Club and such nominees shall become Honorary Members, enjoying all rights and privileges appertaining thereto, upon their election by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the members present at an Annual Meeting. Honorary Members enjoy the same rights as Active Members as defined herein.

B. Resignation and Removal of Members.

Any member may resign at any time by giving written or oral notice of her intention to do so to any officer of the Club.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

A. Number and Title.

At a minimum, the officers shall include a president, who will also serve as secretary and treasurer. Additional officers may include a Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and other positions as the Board deems appropriate. Creation of additional officers shall be voted on by a majority of the Board of Directors.

B. Elections.

The officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting for term(s) of two (2) years, from the slate of candidates presented by the Nominating Committee or the Board of Directors. The President and Secretary shall be elected in odd numbered years. The Vice President and Treasurer shall be elected in even numbered years. Additional officers created by the Board of Directors shall be elected in odd numbered years. The slate may be increased by any nominations from the floor.

C. Vacancies and Succession of Officers.

A vacancy among the officers shall occur upon death or resignation. Should the President of the Club be unable or unwilling to continue in her capacity, the Vice President shall assume the role of President until the next election. If the vacated office is not scheduled for an election, a special election will be held at the Annual Meeting. The treasurer and the secretary shall be next in succession in that order should the Vice President be unable or unwilling to fulfill these duties. If there is no one to assume the role of President, then a formal notice must be sent to all active members of the Club notifying them of impending dissolution. At such time, should a volunteer come forward, they will serve in the role of President until the next election.

D. Duties.

The duties of the officers shall be consistent with those usually appertaining to those positions.

ARTICLE V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. Composition.

The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of the Club and the chairs of committees.

B. Duties.

The Board of Directors shall conduct the business of the Club and direct its activities.

C. Regular Meetings.

The Board of Directors shall meet upon the call of the president or any two "Active Members." A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI. COMMITTEES

A. Standing Committees.

The standing committees shall be Admissions and any other committee as designated by vote of the Board of Directors.

B. Committee Members.

Committee chairs shall be appointed annually by the President. Except as otherwise provided herein, the members of each committee shall be appointed by its chair.

ARTICLE VII. MEETINGS

A. Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting shall be held once per year on a date, time, and place as determined by the Board of Directors. Ten Members present at the Annual Meeting shall constitute a quorum.

B. Special Meetings.

Special meetings of the members may be called by the Board of Directors or upon the written petition of one-fifth of the members directed to the President.

ARTICLE VIII. REPORTS

A. Annual Report

The Club shall file an annual report of its work with the Executive Director of the Alumnae Association.

B. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer of the Club shall file an annual financial report with the Alumnae Association. If the Club does not have a Treasurer, the President of the Club will file the annual financial report.

ARTICLE IX. DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of this organization or the winding up of its affairs, the assets shall be distributed exclusively to (a) the Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Massachusetts, for its general purposes or (b) if the said Association for any reason does not qualify under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, then to the Trustees of Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Massachusetts, for its general purposes or (c) if said Trustees of Mount Holyoke College for any reason do not qualify under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, then to any charitable, religious, scientific, literary, or educational organization which would qualify under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and its regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.

ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the active members present and voting at any regular meeting, provided notice of said amendment has been given at a previous meeting or included in the call to meeting.

ARTICLE XI. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Restrictions.

These Bylaws shall not be altered or amended in such manner as to permit any member, officer, agent or employee of the corporation to receive any compensation or any pecuniary profit from the operations of the corporation or to receive any part of the property or assets of the corporation upon its dissolution or termination, or otherwise, or to permit any substantial part of the activities of the corporation to consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or of engaging in any political campaign for or against a candidate for public office.

B. Compensation.

Directors and officers shall receive no compensation for their services in such capacity, but they may be reimbursed by the corporation for the reasonable disbursements made by them on its behalf.

C. Parliamentary Authority.

Robert's Rules of Order, Revised shall be the authority in parliamentary procedure.