

**ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF
THE ATHENAEUM OF OHIO
BY-LAWS
ARTICLE I – PREAMBLE**

- 1.1 Name. The name of this association is “Athenaeum Alumni Association”, hereafter referred to as the Association.
- 1.2 Mission and Purpose. The purpose of this Association is to advance the mission of the Athenaeum and promote fellowship among alumni. See “Alumni Association Mission.”
- 1.3 History. This association was inaugurated in 1900, seventy-one years after the founding of the Athenaeum of Ohio. Lay alumni were included as members in 1984.

ARTICLE II – MEMBERSHIP

- 2.1 The active membership shall consist of the following: The membership of the association shall consist of active, associate and honorary members hereafter referred to as members. All those who have earned a degree or certificate may be included as members. Also, ordained deacons who completed formation at the Athenaeum are qualify as alumni
- 2.2 The associate membership shall consist of the following:
 - 1.) All individuals who complete 50 percent or more of their graduate studies at the Athenaeum.
 - 2.) Friends, parents of present and former students, benefactors of the Athenaeum, faculty and staff of the Athenaeum upon nomination and election to membership by the Alumni Executive Committee of the Athenaeum Advisory Council.
- 2.3 Records. The alumni office shall maintain and update membership lists. Updates from alumni are encouraged.
- 2.4 Meetings. The full Association shall meet at the general reunion or upon petition by fifty members.
- 2.5 Affiliate Groups. Regional alumni association chapters may be added by the authorization of the Athenaeum Advisory Council Alumni Executive Committee with final approval of the Athenaeum Advisory Council.
- 2.6 Management. The business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by the Alumni Executive Committee of the Athenaeum Advisory Council with the assistance of the alumni liaison. The Alumni Executive Committee of the Athenaeum Advisory Council may delegate responsibilities to its officers and committees.

ARTICLE III – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 3.1 Powers. The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the Alumni Association Executive Committee of the Athenaeum Advisory Council.
- 3.2 Meetings. The Alumni Association will meet as needed (usually three to four times per year) as called by the Alumni Executive Committee of the Athenaeum Advisory Council. Members shall strive to attend all meetings.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

- 4.1 Number. The officers of the Association shall consist of the Chair and at least two additional members of the Alumni Association Executive Committee of the Athenaeum Advisory Council, as determined and selected by the Nominating Committee of the Athenaeum Advisory Council.
- 4.2 Election. New members and vacancies of the Alumni Association Committees are suggested by the Nominating Committee of the Alumni Association Executive Committee and approved by the Advisory Council Executive Committee and the President/Rector of the Athenaeum.
- 4.3 Term. The Athenaeum Advisory Council Alumni Executive Committee Officers will serve their terms under the guidelines of the Athenaeum Advisory Council and members of the Alumni Association Committee will be elected to three year terms.
- 4.4 Removal. Any member may be removed by the Alumni Association Executive Committee of the Athenaeum Advisory Council when in its judgment the best interests of the Association would be served. Non-attendance at two or more consecutive meetings could be considered a cause for removal.

ARTICLE V - COMMITTEES

- 5.1 Distinguished Alumni Award Committee. A committee of at least three Alumni Association Committee members shall direct the nominating procedure. Nominees shall be recommended for selection by the Alumni Association Executive Committee and approved by the Athenaeum Advisory Council with final approval by the president/rector of the Athenaeum. Awards for the Distinguished Alumnus/Alumna shall be presented at the annual alumni reunion.
- 5.2 Other committees may be appointed by the Alumni Executive Committee of the Athenaeum Advisory Council as needed.

ARTICLE VI – SPECIAL DUTIES – CLERICAL ALUMNI

6.1 Mass Duties. All clerical alumni shall celebrate one Mass yearly for deceased members of the Association.

6.2 Constitutive Membership Mass Duties. Clerical alumni who choose constitutive membership (members of the Marian Pact) shall celebrate one Mass for each deceased constitutive member (or Arrange for a Mass) as soon as convenient after notification of death through the newsletter.

ARTICLE VII – MISCELLANEOUS

7.1 Amendments. Amendments may be added or modified by the Alumni Association Executive Committee and recommended for final approval by the Advisory Council of the Athenaeum.