

**CONSTITUTION OF THE  
NORTH TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF AIR FORCE ACADEMY GRADUATES, INC**

Revised February 8, 2021

**ARTICLE I  
(Name)**

The name of the association shall be the North Texas Association of Air Force Academy Graduates, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the Association or the North Texas Chapter of the Association of Graduates.

**ARTICLE II  
(Objectives)**

The objectives of the Association are to:

- (1) Foster social contacts, interaction and camaraderie among Graduates of the U. S. Air Force Academy
- (2) Provide support and encouragement for current USAFA Cadets and their Parents
- (3) Encourage and assist in the seeking of nominations by qualified persons to the Air Force Academy, and
- (4) Embody “Service Before Self” to the military/veteran community and the civilian community

**ARTICLE III  
(Government)**

The government of the chapter shall rest with an executive body consisting of 9 of its members, known as the Board of Directors. Each of the members shall serve a 3-year term with staggered elections of 3 members per year. The Board of Directors and the length of their terms are as follows:

Board Group 1	2019 – 2021	Board Members 1, 2 and 3
Board Group 2	2020 – 2022	Board Members 4, 5 and 6
Board Group 3	2021 – 2023	Board Members 7, 8 and 9

The year groups will continue to roll over in 3-year increments

## ARTICLE IV

### Finances

Under the direction of the Board of Directors, the dues are stipulated in the Bylaws, and along with any other income, shall be used to defray the expenses made necessary in the proper conduct of the business of the chapter.

## ARTICLE V

### (Amendments)

Amendments to, or changes in, the Constitution and Bylaws may be made at any meeting of the chapter by a two-thirds vote of the members present, providing that a copy of the proposed changes shall have been submitted to each of the members at least 15 days before the meeting. However, changes in the dues may be made by resolution of the Board of Directors.

ADOPTED, RATIFIED AND CONFIRMED on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021.

ATTESTED BY

*Phil Del Vecchio*

Secretary

BYLAWS OF THE  
NORTH TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF AIR FORCE ACADEMY GRADUATES, INC.

SECTION I  
(Membership)

1. Membership shall be restricted to graduates of the U. S. Air Force Academy.
2. Honorary membership may be awarded to persons who have rendered outstanding and conspicuous service to the Air Force. Honorary membership is restricted to twenty (20) living persons and their appointments are made unanimously by the Board of Directors. Honorary members will not pay dues and will receive all the privileges of regular members with the exception that they cannot vote or hold office.

SECTION II  
(Dues)

1. Membership dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors.
2. The fiscal year begins on January 1st and ends on December 31st. Annual dues for the coming fiscal year are payable in advance.
3. Donations may be solicited by the Board of Directors as an alternative source (rather than dues) for raising funds to cover Chapter expenses
4. The Association is an IRS Section 501 (c) (19) entity.

## SECTION III

### Organization

#### A.. Board of Directors

1. The affairs of the Association shall be managed by the Board of Directors (“the Board”) which shall consist of 9 members.
2. They shall be elected for a term of 3 years, one-third being elected each year at an annual organization meeting of the Association by a majority vote of those members present. In case of a tie, the Board of Directors (including the outgoing members) shall, by its own vote, determine which of the tying candidates shall be elected.
3. Each year, the Board of Directors shall propose a slate of nominees for open Board seats. Other candidates for the Board can be nominated by any member of the organization in good standing.
4. Any vacancy occurring during the business year shall be filled by a new member to be selected by a quorum of the Board of Directors from among the members of the Association. Such new member shall fill the unexpired term of his/her predecessor.
5. Meetings and Quorums:
  - a. Meetings of the Board may be held at any time upon call of the President, or any other two members of the Board. There shall be at least two Board meetings per calendar year, one in the first six months and one in the last six months of the calendar year.
  - b. A quorum shall consist of a simple majority of the entire membership of the Board.
6. Advisory Boards
  - a. The President or any two Board members may propose an Advisory Board (to the Board of Directors) which furthers the goals and objectives of the Association. These may consist of:
    - (i) A Financial Advisory Board consisting of Board members and key contributors which will be responsible for advising the Board on the best use of available funds.
    - (ii) A Recent Graduate Board to advise on the best way to meet the needs of the younger graduates.
    - (iii) Any other Advisory Boards approved by the Board of Directors, as in III.6.a, above.
  - b. A majority of the Board shall approve the proposed Advisory Board in order for it become an authorized Advisory Board.
  - c. Advisory Boards remain in effect for three years after being voted into existence. They may be renewed as many times as the Board deems necessary. An Advisory Board can be ended at any

time by a vote of the Board.

B. Officers of the Chapter

1. The elected officers of the Association shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. Each shall serve for a term of two years. Members of the Board of Directors may be elected to serve as officers of the Chapter. The President shall be one of the nine Board of Directors members; other officers are not required to be Board members.
2. The officers of the Association shall be elected by the Board of Directors at a special meeting to be held within ten (10) days after the annual organization meeting of the Chapter.
3. Officers of the Chapter have terms of two years and are eligible for re-election immediately upon expiration of their term of service (provided they have at least two more years to serve as a member of the Board of Directors). Officers may be re-elected for a total of three terms in succession. The exception is the Treasurer who is not term limited. The Board may extend any officer's term as needed.
4. Any vacancy occurring during the year shall be filled by electing a new officer to serve the unexpired term created by such vacancy. This election shall take place at a meeting of the Board of Directors after the vacancy occurs.
5. The President shall preside at all meetings of the chapter and of the Board of Directors.
6. The Vice President shall preside during the absence of the President.
7. The Secretary shall keep Minutes of the Meetings of the chapter and of the Board of Directors, maintain a roster of members, and, under the direction of the Board, notify members of matters affecting the chapter.
8. The Secretary shall, at the end of the fiscal year, submit to the AOG a detailed report summarizing the chapter's activities over the past year, the names of the Officers and members of the Board of Directors, and the names of the members currently living in the chapter's area of interest.
9. The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the chapter and shall make a report of the same at the annual organization meeting. The President shall designate two members of the Board, other than the Treasurer, to audit the accounts of the Treasurer at least once per year. The auditors shall report their findings at the annual organization meeting.
10. At least two Officers must approve expenditures of Chapter funds.
11. During the month of January, the Treasurer shall provide documentation of donations received from members during the prior year, and if dues are deemed necessary by the Board, shall bill the membership for annual dues for the coming year.

C. Appointed Officers of the Chapter

- 1 . The appointed officers of the chapter shall consist of such Class Coordinators, Cause Coordinators, Community Coordinators, and Committee and Advisory Board Chairmen as the Board of Directors may see fit to appoint. These Coordinators and Chairmen may also be members of the Board of Directors.

SECTION IV

(Meetings)

A. Schedule of Meetings

- 1 . An organization meeting for election to the Board of Directors, and other business as prescribed in the Bylaws, will be held annually in either December, for the coming year, or in January, for the current year. At least ten days advance notice of such meeting shall be provided to members.
2. Special meetings of the Chapter may be called by the President or upon the written request of two Board members or twenty (20) Chapter members. However, to change the By-Laws or Constitution, at least fifteen (15) days written notice of the meeting must be provided.

B. Order of Business at Meetings

1. The agenda of the annual organization meeting shall be set by the President. The agenda for any special meeting shall be set by the individual calling such special meeting.