ARTICLE I

Name
The name of the association shall be The Franklin & Marshall College Alumni Association (hereinafter, the "Alumni Association" or "Association").

ARTICLE II

Objective and Purpose
The Franklin & Marshall College Alumni Association advances the welfare of the College and its alumni by engaging alumni in the life of their alma mater; fostering and strengthening the connections between and among alumni, students, and the rest of the college community; and inspiring in alumni and students a life-long sense of loyalty toward, pride in, and support of the College.

ARTICLE III

Membership
The following persons shall be members of the Association:

   a) All graduates of the College (hereinafter, “alumni”);
   b) All matriculates who, though no longer enrolled at the College, were in good standing as full time students for at least four semesters;
   c) Recipients of honorary degrees from the College;
   d) Trustees of the College
   e) Emeriti Trustees
   f) Individuals elected honorary alumni, as described in Article IV, Section 6.

ARTICLE IV

The Alumni Association Board of Directors
Section 1. Powers. The activities and affairs of the Alumni Association of Franklin & Marshall College, and the care and disposition of its funds, shall be directed by the Alumni Association Board of Directors (hereinafter, the "Alumni Association Board" or “Board”), which shall act in accordance with these By-laws.

Section 2. Officers of the Association. The officers of the Alumni Association shall be the President, the Vice President, the Treasurer, the Past President and such other persons as the Board may from time to time designate.

Section 2.1. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee of the Alumni Association Board and Alumni Association (herein after the “Executive Committee” or the “Officers”) shall be composed of the President, the Vice President, the Treasurer, the Past President, and such other persons as the Board may from time to time designate.
Section 2.2. Election, Terms. Executive Committee members shall be elected by the Alumni Association Board to serve in that capacity for a term of one (1) year, and for no more than one (1) additional consecutive term. An officer’s term of office shall commence on the July 1 immediately following the meeting at which he or she has been elected an officer and shall end on the June 30 following, unless otherwise stated in the resolution electing such officer.

Section 2.2. Eligibility. All members of the Alumni Association Board shall be eligible to serve as an Officer of the Association.

Section 3. Board Membership Qualification. Membership on the Alumni Association Board shall be open to all Alumni. The Board shall seek members of talent and accomplishment who have a record of engagement with, and service to, the College. Members must be willing to dedicate significant time to their Board responsibilities and to support the College financially. The Alumni Association Board should broadly reflect the demographic, ethnic, racial, gender and geographic diversity of the College’s alumni.

Section 4. Composition and Terms. Effective May 9, 2015, the Alumni Association Board shall be composed of a maximum of thirty-two (32) elected members who shall serve a maximum of two (2) terms as follows:

- One initial term of three (3) years
- One second term of three (3) years

Any Alumni Association Board member whose initial term began before May 9, 2015, shall serve on the Alumni Association Board for such period of time as determined by the by-laws which were then in effect.

In the event that a member is elected to fill an unexpired term of a departing elected member, such member shall be eligible to serve one (1) full term which shall not exceed three (3) years.

Any member elected as an Officer, as defined in these By-laws, before the expiration of his or her term shall have his or her term on the Alumni Association Board extended to allow him or her to complete his or her term of office. Any persons who have served the limit of two (2) consecutive full terms may be re-elected to the Alumni Association Board after an intervening period of not less than one (1) year.

The terms of members on the Alumni Association Board shall be staggered such that no more than sixteen (16) members may have coincident terms.

The term of office of any member of the Alumni Association Board shall commence on the July 1 immediately following the meeting at which he or she is elected, unless otherwise stated in the electing resolution. Terms shall conclude on June 30 unless otherwise stated in the electing resolution.
Section 5. Ex officio Members of the Alumni Association Board.
The College's Executive Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving shall serve as an ex officio member of the Alumni Association Board and shall act as the Secretary of the Alumni Association Board at all meetings, and may designate an individual to record the meeting.

The President of the Blue & White Society (or any successor organization), or his or her representative, shall serve as an ex officio member of the Alumni Association Board.

Section 6. Honorary Alumni. The Board shall from time to time designate as Honorary Alumni individuals who have not been students at the College but who have provided it with extraordinary service and support. All members of the College community may nominate prospective Honorary Alumni; such nominees shall be reviewed initially by the committee so designated by the Executive Committee, which shall forward its recommendations to the Executive Committee and the Board; final review and approval of nominees shall be reserved to the Board.

Section 7. Meetings. The Alumni Association Board shall meet at least three (3) times each calendar year to review and formulate policy, to consider new programs, to execute existing programs, to elect officers of the Association, and to perform such other duties and to conduct such other business as it may deem necessary. Generally, regular meetings shall be held in the Fall, Winter, and Spring.

Section 7.1 Notice. The College's Executive Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving shall give notice of all regular meetings to Alumni Association Board members not fewer than thirty (30) calendar days prior to the meeting; such notice shall contain the date, time and location of the meeting. Notice may be given by mail, courier or electronic means.

Section 7.2 Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Alumni Association Board may be called by the President of the Association or upon written request of any four (4) members of the Alumni Association Board. The College's Executive Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving shall give notice of all special meetings to Alumni Association Board members not fewer than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting; such notice shall contain the date, time, location and purpose of the meeting. Notice may be given by mail, courier or electronic means.

Section 7.3. Attendance. Alumni Association Board members who are absent from any two (2) of three (3) consecutive regular meetings shall be reviewed by the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association Board and may be subject to removal from the Alumni Association Board, as described in Section 8.

Section 7.3.1. Duties and Responsibilities. Each member of the Alumni Association Board shall, in addition to his or her required attendance at Alumni Association Board meetings, serve on at least one (1) standing committee. Each member shall take part in all committee meetings, including conference calls, unless excused by the committee.
chair or President. Each member shall actively participate in his or her regional Chapter and Affinity group activities.

Members who fail to maintain their responsibilities as set forth in these By-Laws may be subject to removal from the Alumni Association Board in accord with the process described in Section 8.

Section 7.4. Quorum. A quorum of the Alumni Association Board shall be required in order to conduct business at regular and special meetings and shall be polled from the current roster of Alumni Association Board members. A quorum shall be defined as a simple majority of the elected members serving on the Alumni Association Board. Members taking part by electronic means may be counted toward a quorum and may vote on all matters before the Board.

Section 7.5. Procedure. The protocol and procedure governing the conduct of all meetings of the Alumni Association Board shall be that of Roberts Rules of Order (most current edition in print).

Section 7.6. Electronic Voting. For business between meetings that requires member voting, electronic communication devices, including but not limited to fax, teleconferences and e-mail, may be utilized. The voting procedure shall include: 1) a description of the matter to be voted on; 2) a specified period of debate; 3) a time for the scheduled vote; 4) announcement of results. A quorum of the Alumni Association Board, as defined in Section 7.4, shall be required for electronic voting.

Section 8. Removal. Any member of the Alumni Association Board who is subject to removal shall be given notice, not fewer than thirty (30) days in advance, of the effective date of such removal, with a written explanation of the reason for the removal.

The member who has received such notice will be given an opportunity to meet with the Executive Committee to rebut the removal and to present any information on his or her behalf.

Following such a meeting, the Executive Committee, in its sole discretion, may then either continue with the removal process, recommend to the Alumni Association Board that the removal process be terminated, continue the removal process to a later date, or take such other action it determines is appropriate. Should the removal process continue, it will be placed on the agenda of the next regular Board meeting.

A simple majority vote for removal shall be necessary for removal from the Alumni Association Board.

ARTICLE V
Officers
Section 1. Officers of the Association. As described in Article IV, Section 2, the Officers of the Alumni Association shall be the President, the Vice President, the
Treasurer, the Past President, and such other persons as the Board may from time to time designate. Officers shall be identified and elected in accordance with Article VII, Section 2.

Section 2. Duties of the President. The President shall be responsible for the general supervision of the affairs of the Alumni Association and shall perform such other duties as the Alumni Association Board may properly assign, or which may be provided for in the By-Laws of the Alumni Association. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Alumni Association Board.

Unless otherwise provided for herein, the President shall have the power to create and dissolve committees of the Alumni Association Board and shall have the power to appoint and disband the membership of such committees. The President shall be an ex-officio member of any and all committees of the Alumni Association Board.

From time to time, the President may call a meeting of the Alumni Association to report on the state of the Association or for other reasons.

Section 3. Duties of the Vice President. The Vice President shall perform the functions of the President in his or her absence or disability and shall succeed to the office of the President should the President resign or otherwise become unable to discharge his/her duties, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the President, the Executive Committee, and the Alumni Association Board. The Vice President may be appointed by the President as an ex officio member of any committee of the Alumni Association Board.

Section 4. Duties of the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall:

a) Serve as Chair of the Finance Committee.
b) Prepare the annual budget and present it to the Alumni Association Board for approval.
c) Receive and review all requests for new or revised funding and present recommendations regarding them to the Executive and Alumni Association Board for approval.
d) Update the combined account statement and the budget as part of the Treasurer’s report at each Alumni Association Board meeting.
e) With the assistance of the Finance Committee, review and revise the Board’s financial policies and guidelines as necessary.
f) Manage the Alumni Association Board’s participation in annual and capital giving to the College.
g) With the assistance of the Finance Committee, identify new sources of revenue.

Section 5. Duties of the Past President. The Past President shall advise the President and other members of the Executive Committee on issues and policies related to the Alumni Association Board and Association. The Past President shall also serve as chair of the Membership and Awards Committee.
Section 6 Officer Vacancy. A special election may be held, by mail ballot, by electronic vote (as defined in Article IV, Section 7.6), or by vote at a meeting of the Alumni Association Board, to fill any vacancy or unexpired term of an officer who is unable to complete such term.

ARTICLE VI
Committees
Section 1. Standing Committees. There shall be three (3) Standing Committees of the Alumni Association Board:

1) The Executive Committee
2) The Finance Committee
3) The Membership and Awards Committee

All members of a Standing Committee must be elected members of the Alumni Association Board, except that the President, in consultation with the College’s Executive Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving, may appoint and include two (2) former Officers of the Board as members of the Membership and Awards Committee.

Section 1.2. Other Committees.
From time to time, the President, the Executive Committee and the Board may establish such other committees ("Special Committees") as they deem necessary. Special Committees shall comprise individuals as appointed by the President in consultation with the College’s Executive Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving and the Executive Committee. When possible and appropriate under the given circumstances, Special Committees may include alumni and undergraduates who are not elected members of the Alumni Association Board. Special Committees shall be chaired only by elected members of the Alumni Association Board.

Committee chairs, whether of Standing or Special Committees, shall be appointed by the President of the Association in consultation with the College’s Executive Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving and the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the President, the Vice President, the Treasurer, the Past President, and such other persons as the Board from time to time may elect, as described in Article IV, Section 2.

Section 2.1 Responsibilities and Duties of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be charged with the conduct and general administration of the affairs of the Association between regular meetings of the Board.

Section 2.2 Spending Authority. The Executive Committee, acting in the sole discretion of a majority of its members, shall have the authority to expend up to $2,000 between regular meetings of the Alumni Association Board. Any such expenditure must be reported to the full Alumni Association Board at its next regular meeting. The expenditure of amounts greater than $2,000 shall require approval of the full Board.
Section 3 The Finance Committee. The Finance Committee shall be composed of no fewer than two (2) members of the Alumni Association Board who shall be appointed to the Finance Committee to serve for a period of one (1) year.

Section 3.1 Responsibilities and Duties of the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee shall oversee and ensure the well being of the financial affairs of the Board and Association.

All proposals for expenditures to be incurred during the next fiscal year (commencing July 1) shall be forwarded to the Finance Committee within ninety (90) days after the Winter meeting. The Finance Committee, in consultation with the Executive Committee, shall propose a budget for the Alumni Association Board fiscal year at the Spring meeting with final approval of said budget to be sought no later than the Fall meeting. The budget shall be subject to amendment during the year if needed.

All proposals for expenditures not included in the approved budget (with the exception of any expenditures made in accordance with Section 2.2 of this Article) shall be advanced to the Finance Committee not later than thirty (30) days in advance of an Alumni Association Board meeting. It shall be the responsibility of the Finance Committee to review all such proposals and at the next meeting to recommend them for further action by the full Alumni Association Board.

Section 4. The Membership and Awards Committee. The Membership and Awards Committee shall be chaired by the Past President of the Alumni Association. It shall be composed of the College’s Executive Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving ex officio, at least one (1) other member to be identified by the Executive Committee and may, pursuant to Article VI, Section 1 above, include two (2) former Officers of the Board.

Section 4.1 Responsibilities and Duties of the Membership and Awards Committee. The Membership and Awards Committee is charged with identifying, reviewing and recommending new Board members. The Membership and Awards Committee shall also direct and manage programs of orientation and mentorship for new members, and shall direct and manage the nomination and awards processes of the Alumni Association Board as specified in Article VII, Section 4 of these By-Laws.

The Membership and Awards Committee shall have other such responsibilities and duties as the Executive Committee and the Board may from time to time assign to it.

ARTICLE VII
Nominations, Elections, and Awards
Section 1. Nomination of Alumni Association Board Members. The Membership Committee shall, in collaboration with the Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving, other college offices, Board members, and others, identify and forward to the Executive Committee a slate of candidates for election to the Board at the Spring
meeting. The Committee will provide appropriate information on the qualifications and background of the nominees. There is no requirement to fill all vacancies.

Section 1.1. Election. The Alumni Association Board shall elect new members from the slate of nominees at its Spring meeting. Each nominee shall be separately voted upon, and election of any nominee shall be by simple majority vote of the members in attendance.

Section 1.2. Election to Fill Vacancies. A special election may be held, by mail ballot, by electronic vote (as defined in Article IV, Section 7.6), or by vote at a meeting of the Alumni Association Board, to fill any vacancy or unexpired term of a member who is unable to complete such term.

Section 2. Nomination of Officers. Prior to the Spring meeting of the Alumni Association Board, the Executive Committee, working in conjunction with the Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving and other administrative offices, shall draft a slate of nominees to serve as officers of the Association for the following twelve (12) month period.

Section 2.1. Election. The Alumni Association Board shall elect new officers of the Association from the slate of nominees proposed by the Executive Committee at its Spring meeting. Each nominee shall be separately voted upon, and election of any nominee shall be by simple majority vote of the members in attendance. In the event that any candidate proposed by the Executive Committee to serve as an officer of the Association shall not win election, nominations shall be taken from the floor and shall be voted upon. A nomination from the floor shall be elected by a simple majority vote of the members in attendance.

Section 3. Filling Unexpired Terms. In the event that a vacancy may arise because of the departure from the Alumni Association Board of any one or more of its members during the course of that Alumni Association Board member’s term, then any candidate elected to fill such vacancy shall serve for the unexpired term of the departing Alumni Association Board member.

Section 4. Awards and honors of the Alumni Association. The Alumni Association Board recognizes alumni with several awards each year:

   a) The Alumni Medal is given to an alumnus in recognition of sustained, distinguished and outstanding service to the College.
   b) The Alumni Citation is given to an individual who is distinguished in a particular profession, has provided dedicated leadership and service to the community, and has established an exemplary record of accomplishments in a specific field of endeavor.
   c) The Alumni Development Award recognizes alumni who have excelled in raising funds and obtaining pledges for the College.
d) The GOLD Alumni Award is given to an individual who has graduated at least five (5) years ago but no more than ten (10) years ago and who has contributed significant service and support to the College.

The Membership and Awards committee shall collaborate with the Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving to identify and forward to the Executive Committee a slate of candidates for these awards. The candidates shall be subject to final approval by the full Alumni Association Board.

The Membership and Awards committee shall manage other nomination and awards processes as the Executive Committee and the Board deem necessary.

ARTICLE VIII
Chapters, Groups and Clubs
Section 1. Recognition. The Alumni Association Board, Alumni Association and Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving shall from time to time recognize chapters, groups and clubs of alumni who organize themselves based on geography (regional chapters), on common interest, activity or background (affinity groups), or for some other reason. Such chapters, groups and clubs must subscribe to the objectives and purposes of the Alumni Association as described in Article II.

Section 2. Support. Recognized chapters, groups and clubs may receive support from the Alumni Association Board and the Alumni Association including financial resources, planning and logistical support, advice and counsel.

Section 3. Withdrawal of Recognition. The Alumni Association Board and Association may, after due consultation with the Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving, from time to time withdraw recognition and support from chapters, groups and clubs based on changing needs and priorities or the failure of the chapter, group or club to support the objectives and purposes of the Alumni Association.

ARTICLE IX
Financial Affairs
Section 1. Funds. The financial affairs of the Association and of the Alumni Association Board shall be under the direction of the Alumni Association Board. The financial resources immediately at the disposal of the Alumni Association Board shall consist of the Alumni Association's Endowment Account and the Alumni Association's Council Account, and such other accounts or funds as now or in the future may from time to time exist.

Section 2. Expense Reimbursement. The Executive Committee may from time to time review and revise the policy governing reimbursement of expenses for members. Such policy should conform with relevant College policy and guidelines and all applicable law and regulations. Such expenses may be reimbursed only from the Alumni Association’s Council Account. All other powers over such account shall be reserved by the Alumni Association Board unless otherwise provided for or delegated.
Section 3. All Financial Powers Not Specifically Allocated. All powers with respect to all other funds accessible by the Alumni Association Board, whether of the Alumni Association's Endowment Account, the Alumni Association's Council Account or otherwise, and whether of an income or expense nature, shall be reserved for the Alumni Association Board and shall be administered in accordance with College policies and/or guidelines.

ARTICLE X
Amendment, Modification, Restatement, Repeal of the By-Laws and Effective Date
Section 1. Modification, Restatement and/or Repeal. The provisions of these By-Laws may be amended, modified, restated or repealed whether in whole or in part, at any regular or special meeting of the Alumni Association Board by not less than a two-thirds vote of the members in attendance and voting at the meeting.

The proposed motion to amend, modify, restate or repeal must be filed with the College’s Executive Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the Alumni Association Board meeting (whether a regular or a special meeting) at which said motion(s) is/are to be brought before the Alumni Association Board. All proposed motions to amend, modify, restate or repeal the By-Laws must be mailed (by U.S. Postal or private courier service) or electronically transmitted to all Alumni Association Board members at least fifteen (15) days in advance of the meeting at which they are to be considered.

A motion to amend, modify, restate or repeal the By-Laws may be proposed by any member of the Board or by petition of any ten (10) Alumni as defined in Article III hereof.

Section 2. Effective Date. Any amendment, modification, restatement or repeal of the By-Laws so adopted shall take effect immediately following its adoption by the Alumni Association Board.

Last Amended and Adopted By the Alumni Association Board:

Friday, February 19, 1999.
Saturday, September 18, 1999.
Saturday, May 12, 2001.
Saturday, January 24, 2004.
Saturday, January 21, 2006.
Friday, May 12, 2006.
Friday, May 14, 2010.
Saturday, September 22, 2012.
Friday, May 8, 2015.