

**THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION INC.  
OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA**

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**BY-LAWS**

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**SUMMARY OF CHANGES FOR 2018 AGM**

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Item Number	Page and By-law #	Current Wording	Proposed Changes	Reason for Change
1	Page 1 and throughout document	Director of Alumni Relations	Director responsible for Alumni Relations	Structural changes over time in External Relations may result in changes in the reporting lines in Alumni Relations.
2	Page 2 and throughout document	n/a	<b>“Chair”</b> means the person elected to lead the Alumni Association.	Define the term Chair. Reflect current best practice among voluntary governance bodies.
3	Page 2 and throughout document	n/a	<b>“Vice-Chair”</b> means the person(s) elected to support the Chair and serves as chair of one of the Association’s Committees.	Define the term Vice-Chair. Reflect the change from President to Chair, Vice President will now be referred to as Vice Chair.
4	Pages 3-4 and throughout document.	On Manitoba	<i>UM Today The Magazine</i>	Reflect current name of the alumni publication.

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5	BL 4.1	There shall be an Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held no later than ninety (90) days following the end of the fiscal year. Notice shall appear in the <i>UM Today The Magazine</i> or its successor, the Association website or other publications sent to Members and in a newspaper of general circulation at least forty-five (45) days prior to the Annual General Meeting.	There shall be an Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held no later than ninety (90) days following the end of the fiscal year. Notice shall appear in the <i>UM Today The Magazine</i> or its successor, the Association website or other publications sent to Members at least forty-five (45) days prior to the Annual General Meeting.	To reflect current trends and flexibility that modern technology provides and to make it easier for more alumni to access information around the AGM, by removing the mandatory requirement for a newspaper publication.
6	BL 5.4	Members present at the Special Meeting shall elect a chair for the meeting.	The Chair of the Association shall chair the meeting. In the event the Chair is not available, a Vice-Chair or one of the Past Chairs shall chair the meeting.	To ensure that the interest of the Association and its members are protected.
7	BL 6.2 iv)	With the exception of ex-officio voting Board Members as described in Section 6.1 hereof, not be a staff member of External Relations;	Remove clause from By-laws	Board no longer exercises authority over director/staff and should not be a conflict of interest with a code of conduct (for UM employees in effect).

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8	BL 6.9 ii)	Any Board Member unable to attend a regular or special Board meeting shall send regrets to the Director of Alumni Relations or to a person designated by the Director of Alumni Relations prior to the start of the meeting.	Any Board Member unable to attend a regular or special Board meeting shall send regrets to the Chair of the Board and the Director responsible for Alumni Relations or to a person designated by the Director responsible for Alumni Relations prior to the start of the meeting.	To ensure the Chair is also aware of absences.
9	BL 6.11	A quorum at a meeting of the Board shall be a majority of Board Members.	Quorum at a meeting of the Board shall be a majority of Board Members.	Grammar correction
10	BL 6.12	6.12:	6.12	Remove colon from after the bylaw number.
11	BL 6.13	Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Board shall have the full power in all things to manage and administer the business and affairs of the Association. The powers of the Board may be exercised by resolution passed at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Where there is a vacancy in the Board, the remaining Board Members may exercise all the powers of the Board so long as a quorum remains in office.	Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Board shall have the full power in all things to manage and administer the business and affairs of the Association. The powers of the Board may be exercised by resolution passed at a meeting at which quorum is present.	Remove the last sentence as it is redundant based on the definition of quorum

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12	BL 7.2 c.)	To serve on the Executive Committee; to lead a committee of a major focus area in alignment with the strategic resource plan for external relations. Duties of the Vice-Chair s: To assume the duties of the Chair in the event of the resignation or removal of the Chair; the Vice-Chair chosen to act on the Chair's behalf will be chosen by the majority of the Executive members;	To serve on the Executive Committee; to lead a committee of a major focus area in alignment with the strategic resource plan for external relations.	Remove repetitive wording from 7.2 c and 7.2 a.
	BL 9.5	<b>9.5 Voting at Executive Committee</b>	9.5 Voting at Executive Committee	Remove bolded font from bylaw number and title.
13	BL 11.1	n/a	11.1 vi.) The Nominating Committee shall oversee the selection and nomination process.	The BOG election nomination process requires oversight of a smaller sub-committee instead of the entire board. To accomplish this, the existing nominating committee will serve this purpose.

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14	BL 11.4	<p>Election by Mail</p> <p>The election shall be conducted by mail, by facsimile or by such other means as permitted by the Association.</p>	<p>Election</p> <p>The election shall be conducted by online voting, or by such other means as permitted by the Association.</p>	<p>To reflect current trends and flexibility that modern technology provides and to make it easier for more alumni to participate in the BOG election process and remove the requirement to support a paper ballot.</p> <p>Members without access or means to online voting will be provided a mechanism to vote by contacting the University.</p>
15	BL 11.5 i)	A ballot shall be mailed to all Graduates as soon as possible following the close of nominations;	A ballot shall be provided to all Graduates as soon as possible following the close of nominations;	To avoid the perception that mail refers to traditional letter mail, change the clause to allow for the ballot to be provided, which can be interpreted as email, online, social media, etc.
16	BL 11.5 ii)	The ballot shall provide biographical material and a photograph of each candidate; and	Full biographical information and photographs of all candidates shall be available on the University's website; and	Because of space and cost limitations, ballots appearing in <i>UM Today The Magazine</i> with full bios and photos may not always be possible.

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17	BL 12.5	The signing authorities of the Association shall be any two (2) of the Chair, designated Vice-Chair or Treasurer. The Chair shall designate which Vice-Chair will serve in this role.	The signing authorities of the Association shall be any three (3) of the Chair, Treasurer and Vice-Chair(s).	Make provision for continuity and access to bank account/information.