

## Hoof 'n' Horn Alumni Board Constitution

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### I. Purpose:

The Hoof 'n' Horn Alumni board will provide the organization with an incredible trove of past experience to guarantee continuity, artistic quality, and the growth of Hoof 'n' Horn both within and beyond Duke's walls. The board will also serve to better connect the Hoof 'n' Horn alumni population to each other and current students, ensuring that membership in hoof 'n' horn lasts a lifetime.

### II. Responsibilities:

*Regarding the current organization*, the board will be responsible for providing recommendations to the current exec team addressing any part of Hoof 'n' Horn except social events. The board will not consider the social aspect of Hoof 'n' Horn in any formal capacity and will limit its role to the artistic and organizational sides. The board may pass resolutions by simple majority vote, though the resolutions are non-binding on current hoof 'n' horn exec. These resolutions function in a purely advisory capacity. Although non-binding, these resolutions will provide another avenue to hold Hoof 'n' Horn exec members accountable to the greater organization. Thus, the board will serve as a valuable resource in instances of conflict resolution among current hoof 'n' horn exec members. The board will also be responsible for assisting the current development chair in the planning of both homecoming and reunion weekends.

*Regarding other alumni*, the board will be tasked with creating and managing avenues of alumni engagement along with the current development manager. The board may hold regional events, though Hoof 'n' Horn will not provide any funding to the board unless the executive team approves. The board will also attempt to furnish resources for current and past Hoof 'n' Horn members who wish to enter the arts professionally.

### III. Structure:

The board will consist of 11 seats to be filled by any qualifying hoof 'n' horn alumni. To qualify, an individual must have graduated from Duke University and been a member of hoof 'n' horn for at least two years while at Duke. The current development chair will make up the 12th seat, though in instances of conflict resolution directly involving the development chair, they must recuse themselves. There will be one president and one secretary. The board will meet at least once a semester over zoom. Additional meetings may be called throughout the year by either the

president of the board or anyone on the current hoof n horn exec team to obtain advice on specific projects/events. At each meeting, the development chair will give a comprehensive overview of the state of the organization. Each member will serve for one year and members may reapply after their term is up. The selection of board members will fall on the current exec team. Board selection will take place in August and terms will commence the day after board selection occurs. Board members may be removed through 2/3 vote of the board in cases of neglect of their duties, in which case the president will select a replacement to finish out their term.

#### **IV. Amendmendments**

The board may amend this constitution at any time with  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote, though the current Hoof 'n' Horn president will retain veto power. The current exec team may also amend the constitution with a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote.