

The Organizational Constitution of

The University of Iowa Dance Marathon Alumni Group

Preamble

We, the members of The University of Iowa Dance Marathon Alumni Group, do hereby establish this Constitution in order that our purpose be realized to its fullest extent.

Article 1: Name

The name of this organization shall be "The University of Iowa Dance Marathon Alumni Group" henceforth referred to as DMAG

Article 2: Purpose

- To support the mission of the University of Iowa Dance Marathon (UIDM), which is:

The University of Iowa Dance Marathon creates and sustains special projects to provide emotional and financial support and services to pediatric oncology and bone marrow transplant patients and their families treated at University of Iowa Children's Hospital

- To support the mission of the University of Iowa Alumni Association (UIAA)

The University of Iowa Alumni Association serves as the gateway for alumni to build strong relationships with one another, the University, and with the Alumni Association

- To provide opportunities for all University of Iowa alumni to get involved with Dance Marathon
- To provide a social network for those who believe in Dance Marathon

Article 3: Membership Eligibility

- No student member of UIDM is eligible for membership in the Dance Marathon Alumni Group (DMAG)
- Membership shall be open to all people not excluded above.
- There shall be no difference in treatment of persons because of race, national origin, color, creed, religion, sex, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, associational preference, or any other classification which would deprive the person of consideration as an individual
- While student members of UIDM are ineligible for membership, a close connection between alumni and students is very important. Therefore, key UIDM leadership members (Executive Council) may be called upon for assistance or information

Article 4: Relationship with UIDM and UIAA

- All documents intended for widespread release must be approved by University of Iowa Alumni Association (UIAA)

- Dance Marathon advisor in the Office of Student Life is to be invited to all DMAG meetings
- UIAA (Assistant Director of Alumni Programs) shall be ex officio members of DMAG
 - Ex officio members shall have no voting rights within DMAG

Article 5: Leadership

The Board of Directors (BOD)

Preface

DMAG is self-governing. While other entities may be consulted for input during decision making, final authority rests with the board and membership

Eligibility

- Members appointed to the DMAG BOD must be willing to attend meetings in Iowa City. Meetings are traditionally held weeknights at 5:15pm.
- DMAG BOD must have been student participants of UIDM
- UI Alumni Association members

Positions and Duties

President

- Principle representative of DMAG. Liaison between DMAG and UIAA, UIDM advisors, UIDM Executive Council, and applicable chairs
- Plans and conducts meetings
- Completes goal setting with each BOD member
- Reviews all reports and sends "State of the Group" email to BOD bi-monthly
- Responsible for recruitment emails as well as all emails to the entire DMAG
- Named signer on DMAG bank account

VP of Treasury

- Responsible for all DMAG monies
- Named signer on DMAG bank account
- Generate all fiscal year end reports for group

VP of Events

- Ensures a minimum of four alumni planned fundraisers take place in four different cities throughout the year in association with UIAA and local Iowa Clubs
- Prepares fundraising packets for interested DMAG members
- Works with Iowa City Committee as well as UIAA to produce a combination social/fundraising events to take place Homecoming and Dance Marathon weekend
- Oversees Special Event and all City Chair Contributing Directors

VP of Communication

- Responsible for assembling three newsletters per year

- Ensures website and online calendar are current and functional
- Alerts local media of upcoming events and opportunities
- Creates promotional materials for local events and DMAG at large
- Oversee Editor/Newsletter and Webmaster Contributing Directors

Contributing Directors

- Must have been student participants within UIDM
- Need not live in Iowa City area

Positions

- Special Events
- City Chair Contributing Directors
 - must reside in the city he/she represents

City Committee

- Assist City Chairs with organizing and promoting fundraising/social events
- Must reside in the City he/she represents

Article 6: Selection, Transition, and Removal of Leadership

Selection and Transition

- Leadership positions will be appointed by the sitting BOD or other leadership as seen fit
- Transition between incoming and outgoing leadership shall span at least one BOD meeting
- Terms are begin Feb 1 and end Jan 10; terms are limited to 2 years, and board members may be nominated for additional terms.

Removal

- Any DMAG leadership member may be removed by a 3/4 vote by the BOD
- BOD determines if/how to fill vacated positions on the team

Article 7: Communication, Meetings, Voting

Board of Directors

- Will file bi-monthly reports with the President to be compiled into “State of the Group” report
- Must be available to respond to email as necessary
- Any member may call a meeting
- Quorum is 3/4 of members
- Absentee votes will be allowed

DMAG Leadership

- Must be available to respond to email as necessary
- Strongly encouraged to attend DMAG large group meeting weekend of UIDM

Article 8: Dissolution

- Should the DMAG dissolve, all monies should be donated to UIDM. Upon dissolution, state money reverts back to the granting organization.
- Should group monies and fees not be divided as stated in the constitution by five years from last account activities, all funds are to be turned over to the UIDM Executive Council

Article 9: Ratification and Amendments

- Proposed amendments must be submitted to the BOD two weeks before voting takes place
- A 3/4 vote is required to ratify all amendments