



**BYLAWS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL  
MUSLIM STUDENTS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Founded:** July 18, 2019  
**Bylaws Adopted:** August 14, 2019  
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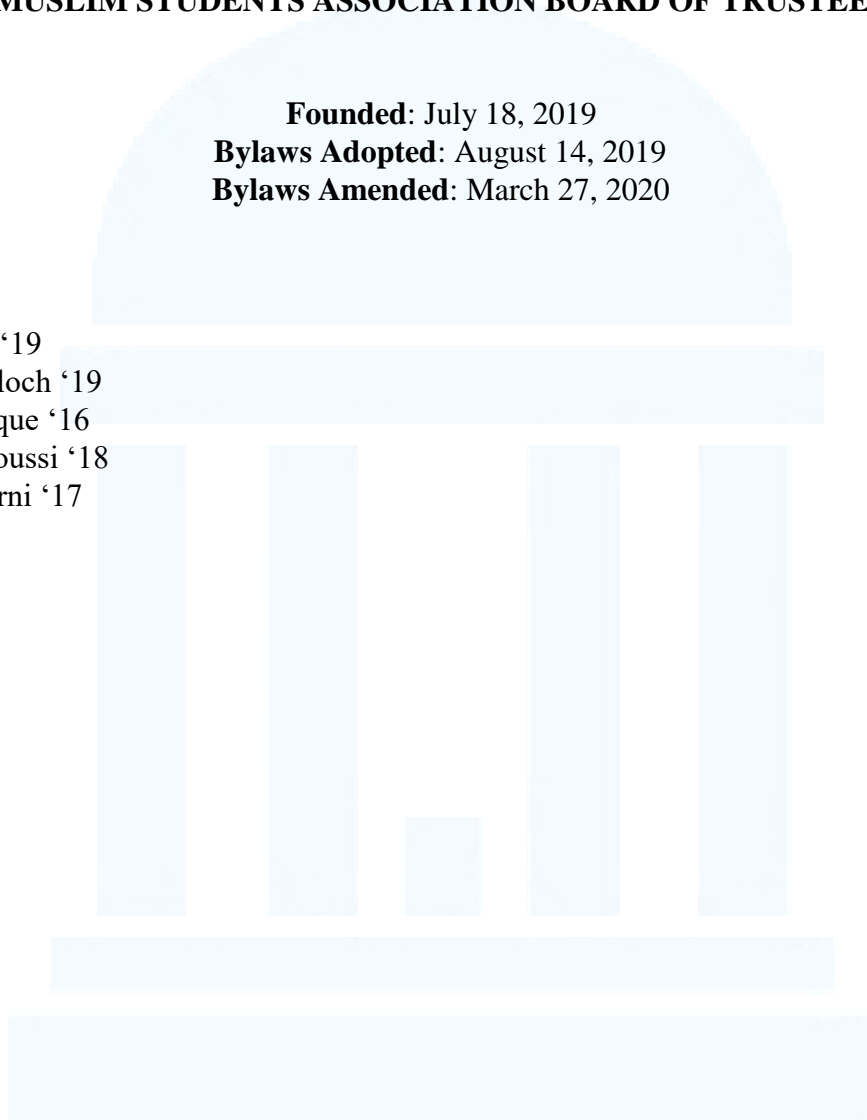
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## ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this corporation shall be the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Muslim Students Association Board of Trustees (“Board of Trustees”).

## ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

**Section 1.** The mission of the Board of Trustees is to promote the interests of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Muslim Students Association (“UNC MSA”); establish mutually beneficial relations between UNC MSA and its alumni; maintain among the alumni a spirit of kinship, fellowship and service; and enhance financial resources beneficial to UNC MSA’s sustainability and growth.

**Section 2.** The Board of Trustees is entrusted with facilitating the long-term projects, scholarships, and other related functions of UNC MSA. The Board of Trustees shall also assist UNC MSA in establishing programs and hosting events meant to keep alumni engaged with the current student body.

**Section 3.** The Board of Trustees is **NOT** directly in charge of the daily operations of UNC MSA, nor is it responsible for any decisions or statements of the Executive Board of UNC MSA. The Board of Trustees is **NOT** meant to supplant or supersede the Executive Board of UNC MSA.

**Section 4.** The Board of Trustees is committed to providing an inclusive and welcoming environment for all alumni, students, and other parties with a vested interest in the continued success and growth of UNC MSA.

**Section 5.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of these bylaws, the Board of Trustees, through UNC MSA, is organized exclusively for one or more of the purposes specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under IRC 501(c)(3) or corresponding provisions of any subsequent tax laws.

**Section 6.** No part of the net earnings of the Board of Trustees shall inure to the benefit of any member, trustee, director, officer of the corporation, or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation), and no member, trustee officer of the corporation or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporation’s assets on dissolution of the corporation.

## ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

**Section 1.** An *alumnus* of UNC MSA is any person who was a member of UNC MSA while they were an undergraduate student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (“the University”), and who has successfully graduated from the University.

## ARTICLE IV – GOVERNANCE

**Section 1.** Composition

The Board of Trustees shall be composed of seven trustees. Of these seven trustees, five shall be alumni who have demonstrated exceptional dedication and commitment to UNC MSA through (a) having served on the Executive Board of UNC MSA during their time at the University; and (b) having left a lasting impact towards improving the Muslim student experience at the University. The sixth trustee shall be the current president of UNC MSA, who will serve as an ex officio trustee. The seventh trustee shall be the departing president of UNC MSA of the previous academic term, who will serve as an ex officio trustee.

### **Section 2. Terms of Service**

The alumni trustees shall serve for five-year terms. At the end of their term, the Executive Board shall vote, through a two-thirds supermajority, on retaining each alumnus trustee. If an alumnus trustee is not retained, the Executive Board may appoint any alumnus to the Board of Trustees from a list provided to it by the departing Board of Trustees. In the case of any vacancies during a term, the Board of Trustees shall appoint an alumnus on an interim basis to fill said vacancy. The interim alumnus trustee's term shall expire at the same time as the other alumni trustees.

### **Section 3. Voting Rights**

The five alumni trustees of the Board of Trustees shall each have full and equal voting rights. The ex officio trustees shall not have voting rights, but can otherwise participate in all proceedings, functions, and tasks of the Board of Trustees. A simple majority of the members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum for any meeting thereof, and any vote taken by the Board of Trustees shall require a quorum. A simple majority is required for a vote, motion, or any other such action, excepting amendments to these bylaws, to pass.

### **Section 4. Meetings**

The Board of Trustees must meet at least one time every quarter. Meeting dates and times shall be determined by the Board of Trustees. A special invitation may be extended to the Executive Board of UNC MSA to take part in a meeting; any other guests must notify the Board of Trustees should they wish to attend a meeting. The Executive Board of UNC MSA may also vote to call an emergency meeting of the Board of Trustees. In such occasion, the Board of Trustees must convene a meeting as soon as reasonably possible and shall extend a special invitation to the Executive Board of UNC MSA to join in the meeting.

## **ARTICLE V – FUNDRAISING**

**Section 1.** The Board of Trustees shall not solicit gifts from any source for any purpose or activity other than those designated in Article II of these bylaws.

**Section 2.** The Board of Trustees shall submit a quarterly report to the Executive Board of UNC MSA detailing any gifts, charitable contributions, or other monies raised, and any expenses incurred. In quarters where the monetary value of any gifts, charitable contributions, or other monies raised is less than \$5,000, this reporting requirement shall be waived.

## **ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1.** These bylaws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Trustees at which all five of the alumni trustees are present. A four-fifth majority is required to

successfully amend these bylaws, provided that a ten days' notice of the proposed amendments shall be submitted to the Board of Trustees prior for review.

