

## **BY-LAWS OF**

### **THE 315TH AIRLIFT WING ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

#### **ARTICLE 1 - NAME**

The name of the organization shall be the 315th Airlift Wing Alumni Association.

#### **ARTICLE 2 - MISSION**

The mission of the association is to foster a continuing relationship among association members and with the wing, and to support the 315th Airlift Wing in any fashion deemed appropriate.

#### **ARTICLE 3 - PURPOSE**

The 315th Airlift Wing Alumni Association will provide a forum for discussion of common issues among alumni of the 315th Airlift Wing and will offer a direct channel of communication between alumni and the 315th Airlift Wing. The Alumni Association will initiate programs that meet the needs of alumni, assist in fund raising and recruitment and will respond to requests for assistance from the Wing.

#### **ARTICLE 4 - MEMBERSHIP**

- (a) The membership year runs from 1 Jan to 31 Dec. Dues which are \$5.00 per year or \$12.00 for three (3) years, are payable NLT 1 Feb (checks should be made payable to the 315<sup>th</sup> AW Alumni Association).

#### **ARTICLE 5 - OFFICERS**

- (a) The officers of the Alumni Association shall be a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and composed of an elected (6) member Board of Directors. These Officers and Directors form the governing body of the association. The governing body may designate other officer positions as needed. The governing body initiates and coordinates the activities of the association in accordance with the statement of Purpose in Article 3. Officers and Board members shall serve a two-year term, exception (3) three Directors shall serve a (4) year term, thus allowing no more than 50% Director rotation.
- (b) The 315 AW Commander, senior enlisted advisor and one staff officer (appointed by the wing commander) shall serve as ex-officio members of the governing body.
- (C) The Alumni Association shall include officers and six (6) directors, to be elected from the general membership, shall be elected by a majority vote of the general membership, and shall constitute the Board of Directors. Directors shall be elected to serve for two (2) year term. Initially, three of the (3) directors shall be elected to serve one four (4) year-term and three (3) for two-year term. Thereafter, three (3) directors shall be elected to serve for a (4) four-year term at each bi-annual election, thus allowing no more than 50% Director rotation of the alumni Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE 6 - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

(a) Ninety days prior to the annual meeting, the secretary will solicit, from the general membership, nominations for the election of officers. Elections will be held at the annual meeting prior to the expiration of the terms of the current officers.

(b) Should a vacancy occur in any officer position, the President shall appoint someone to fulfill the remainder of the unexpired term.

## **ARTICLE 7 - STANDING COMMITTEES**

(a) The association shall have standing committees on fundraising, events and activities and communications.

(b) The chairperson of each standing committee shall be appointed by the president. Committee members shall be appointed by the committee chairperson.

## **ARTICLE 8 - MEETINGS**

The association shall hold at least one annual meeting. The time and place will be decided by the officers and the general membership will be notified. The officers shall meet at least twice a year. All members may attend and participate in any meetings held by the officers.

## **ARTICLE 9 - INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS**

(a) Interpretational questions regarding these by-laws shall be resolved by a vote of agreement of at least three officers.

(b) All amendments to these by-laws must first be approved by a vote of approval of at least three officers and then approved by a single majority of the association members present at the annual meeting.

## **ARTICLE 10 - DEFINITIONS**

(a) Alumni shall mean all former military and civilian personnel of the 315th Airlift Wing.

(b) Associate members are those military and civilian personnel who are still employed by the wing.

## **ARTICLE 11 – Amendments/Changes EFFECTIVE DATE**

These by-laws shall be effective immediately upon their adoption by the Alumni Association.  
Amendments/Changes: Article 4 – Membership; Chg 1 dated 5 April 1997

Amend paragraph (a) to include; Dues which are \$5.00 per year or \$12.00 for three (3) years, are payable NLT 1 Feb (checks should be made payable to the 315<sup>th</sup> AW Alumni Association)  
Approved by general membership Meeting on 5 April 1997, Colonel Billy R. Henderson,  
President of the 315<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing Alumni Association.

#### **Article 4 – Membership**

Amendment to Article 4 – Membership Chg 2 dated 4 May 2002

Amendments/Change effective 1 July 2002 as approved by the general membership meeting held on 4 May 2002.

Chief James E. Newberry, President

Delete Paragraph B Note: Members may vote and hold office in the alumni association

#### **Article 5 – Officers**

Amendment to Article 5 – Officers Chg 1 dated 4 May 2002

Amendments/Change effective 1 July 2002 as approved by the general membership meeting held on 4 May 2002.

Chief James E. Newberry, President

(a) Change add: The officers of the Alumni Association shall be a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and composed of an elected (6) member Board of Directors. These Officers and Directors form the governing body of the association. The governing body may designate other officer positions as needed. The governing body initiates and coordinates the activities of the association in accordance with the statement of Purpose in Article 3. Officers and Board members shall serve a two-year term, exception (3) Directors shall serve a (4) year term.

(b) No Change

(c) Change add: The Alumni Association shall include officers and six (6) directors, to be elected from the general membership, shall be elected by a majority vote of the general membership, and shall constitute the Board of Directors. Directors shall be elected to serve for two (2) year term. Initially, three of the (3) directors shall be elected to serve one four (4) year-term and three (3) for two-year term. Thereafter, three (3) directors shall be elected to serve for a four-year term at each bi-annual election, thus allowing no more than 50% Director rotation of the alumni Board of Directors.

(d) Change add: A vacancy in any office, or in the Board of Directors, shall be filled by the President for the unexpired term.