

GOLDEN HURRICANE CLUB Constitution and By-Laws

NAME

1. The name of the organization shall be known as The University of Tulsa Golden Hurricane Club.

PURPOSE

2. The purpose of the Golden Hurricane Club shall be:

To support The University of Tulsa and its intercollegiate athletic programs through fund raising and activities designed to enhance community awareness and participation;

The pursuit of this purpose will be coordinated with and support the on-going programs of the University and its Athletic Department; and

All members of the Golden Hurricane Club shall conduct themselves within the rules of the NCAA and in a manner which enhances the respect for the University, its student athletes, coaches and administrative personnel; and

The Golden Hurricane Club shall act at all times consistent with the policies and procedures of The University of Tulsa and its Board of Trustees.

OFFICES

3. The principal office of the Golden Hurricane Club shall be in the City of Tulsa, Oklahoma; more particularly, on the campus of The University of Tulsa.

MEMBERSHIP

4. Membership in the Golden Hurricane Club shall not be limited to any particular group or class of people, but shall be open to any male or female, firms, corporations, associations, or foundations who desire to be annual donors. Only individual members may hold elected office, however, as individuals and not on behalf of a firm, corporation or other non-individual member.

ANNUAL GIFTS

5. Annual gifts or pledges to The University of Tulsa Golden Hurricane Club are tax deductible to the extent the contribution exceeds the value of any benefits received in return.

MINIMAL GIFTS

6. There shall be a minimal annual gift by each donor so as to qualify as an active member eligible to vote and to be eligible for nomination to the Golden Hurricane Club Board of Directors. The minimal gift shall be \$50 as determined by the Board of Directors of the Golden Hurricane Club.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

7. The elected membership of the Golden Hurricane Club Board of Directors will consist of thirty (30) people. They shall be elected by a mail vote of those who are active members in the Golden Hurricane Club. Ten directors shall be elected for a three year term of office. After two consecutive terms of office (six years), a member must retire for a period of at least one year.
8. The appointed membership of the Golden Hurricane Club Board of Directors shall consist of ten active members to be selected by the newly elected President of the Golden Hurricane Club. They shall serve a one-year term of office.
9. The four elected officers of the Women of the Golden Hurricane Club shall be members of the Golden Hurricane Club Board of Directors with one vote as a body. The President of Women of the Golden Hurricane Club shall serve as a member of the Golden Hurricane Club Executive Board.
10. The President, President Elect, Vice-President and Treasurer of The University of Tulsa Lettermen's Association shall be members of the Golden Hurricane Club Board of Directors with one vote as a body. The President Elect of the Lettermen's Association shall serve as a member of the Golden Hurricane Club Executive Board.
11. The President of the Alumni Association along with one Board Representative from the Alumni Association appointed by the Alumni Association President shall serve as members of the Golden Hurricane Club Board of Directors with one vote as a body.
12. The active Past Presidents of the Golden Hurricane Club and Past Presidents of the Women of the Hurricane shall serve as members of the Board of Directors with one vote as a body (see Honorary members number 16 below)
13. The full membership of the Golden Hurricane Club Board of Directors shall be fifty two except in the case when the term of the President-Elect expires, he or she will be appointed a one-year term by the President. The breakdown of the Board of Directors is as follows:
 - 30 elected with voting rights
 - 10 appointed with voting rights
 - 4 officers of the Women of the Golden Hurricane Club with one vote as a body
 - 4 officers of the Lettermen's Association with one vote as a body
 - 2 members of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association with one vote as a body
 - 1 vote of combined active Past Presidents of the Golden Hurricane Club
 - 1 vote of combined active Past Presidents of the Women of the Hurricane Club

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

14. The ex-officio non-voting members of the Golden Hurricane Club Board of Directors shall be:
 - A) The Directors of Athletics for The University of Tulsa
 - B) The Director of the Golden Hurricane Club
 - C) The Special Events Coordinator for Athletics

VACANCIES ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

15. Should a vacancy on the Board of Directors occur during the term of office, the President of the Golden Hurricane Club may appoint an active member to complete the unexpired term of office.

HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

16. All past presidents of the Golden Hurricane Club and Women of the Golden Hurricane Club, by virtue of having held the office of President, shall be honorary members of the Board of Directors with one vote as a body for each group.

MEETINGS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

17. The Board of Directors of the Golden Hurricane Club shall meet in April or May at a scheduled board meeting for its annual election of officers.
18. Other meetings of the Board of Directors will be called when deemed necessary.
19. Notification of all board meetings and of called meetings will be made by the President of the Golden Hurricane Club, the Director of Athletics of The University of Tulsa or the Director of the Golden Hurricane Club with a minimum of two weeks notice.

MEETINGS, GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

20. General membership meetings for the Golden Hurricane Club may be called throughout the year as deemed necessary by the President of the Golden Hurricane Club, the Director of Athletics of The University of Tulsa or the Director of the Golden Hurricane Club.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

21. The nominating committee will consist of seven members of the Board of Directors (President, President-Elect plus five members of the Board of Directors to be chosen by the President-Elect.)
22. The nominating committee will meet in March each year to select a slate of nominees of whom ten will be elected to a three year term of office as a member of the Golden Hurricane Club Board of Directors and ten of whom shall be appointed by the President of the Golden Hurricane Club to a one year term on the Golden Hurricane Club Board of Directors. At the same meeting, the nominating committee will select a slate of nominees for the election of officers. Those Directors eligible to be elected as officers shall be those who are currently serving as members of Board of Directors of the Golden Hurricane Club.

TERMS OF OFFICE

23. The fiscal elective year shall be June 1 – May 31.
24. The fiscal budget year shall be June 1 – May 31.

ELECTIONS

25. The annual election of Directors shall take place during the months of April and May in each year, conducted by a mail vote of eligible members of the Golden Hurricane Club.
26. The annual election of officers shall take place during the month of April or May in each year at a scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors.
27. Special elections may be called by the Executive Board of Directors if deemed necessary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS TERMS OF OFFICE

28. Elected members of the Board of Directors will serve a three year term of office commencing on June 1.
29. Appointed members of the Board of Directors will serve a one year term of office beginning June 1.

OFFICERS

30. The officers of the Golden Hurricane Club shall consist of a President, President-Elect, Executive Vice-President, four Vice-Presidents, and a Secretary/Treasurer. The President-Elect and the Executive Vice President, in that order will succeed the President. The officers shall be elected by the board of Directors. The term of office shall be for a period of one year, June 1 through May 31.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

31. The President shall supervise the affairs and activities of the Golden Hurricane Club. He/she shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and/or the general membership meetings. The President of the Golden Hurricane Club shall serve as an ex-officio member of The University of Tulsa Board of Trustees Athletic Committee.
32. The President-Elect shall be Chairman of the Nominating Committee and perform any special assignments in which the President is unable to attend.
33. The duties of the Executive Vice-President, four Vice-Presidents and Secretary/Treasurer shall be assigned as necessary by the President.

QUORUM

34. The Board of Directors of the Golden Hurricane Club shall number no more than fifty-two (52). A quorum shall be thirty-five (35).

RULES OF ORDER

35. General parliamentary rules as set forth in Roberts Rules of Order, as modified by Amendment or vote of the Golden Hurricane Club, shall constitute the rules for Conducting meetings.

COMMITTEES

36. Sub-committees may be set up by the President as necessary to conduct special projects as requested by the Director of Athletics.

AMENDMENTS

37. Any member of the Board, whenever such member shall deem it expedient, shall prepare amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of this Constitution and Bylaws when approved by two-thirds of the full membership of the Board of Directors. (Thirty five or more votes constitutes two-thirds majority.) Amendments may be made at a meeting of the Board of Directors, or by secret mail ballot.