

Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary
Alumni Association
Constitution
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- Name:** The name of the organization shall be the Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary Alumni Association.
- Purpose:** The AMBS Alumni Association is committed to cultivating long-term reciprocal relationships between seminary resources and alumni who minister around the world in Jesus' name by:
- ✓ Communicating about the realities of ministry.
 - ✓ Promoting ongoing development of alumni by connecting them to seminary resources.
 - ✓ Cultivating collegial relationships among alumni
 - ✓ Encouraging contributions of prayer, finances, and student recruits.
- Membership:** Membership shall be automatic for:
- a. all graduates and former students of the seminary with a minimum of twelve credit hours.
 - b. all faculty, staff, and board members are Associate alumni. The Executive Committee is empowered to name other Honorary alumni.
- Officers:** The officers of the Association shall be President, Vice-President and three Members-at-large. Together they shall be called the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be subject to the approval of the Association. The Executive Committee shall have the authority to create and appoint any additional committees it sees necessary. The term of President and Vice-President shall be two years. The Vice-President automatically becomes the President at the end of the two-year term as Vice-President, thus meaning a total service time of four years. The election of Vice-President shall occur every two years. The three Members-at-large shall serve three-year staggered terms, resulting in the election of one Member-at-large each year. The officers shall be elected by ballots circulated to the members by mail before June 1 and returned by July 15. The slate of nominees shall be the responsibility of the Executive Committee. Suggestions for the slate may be offered by the Association. The slate of nominees need not include more than one nominee per position. Term limits shall be two three-year terms and one four-year term as Vice-President and President. Terms begin September 1.
- Meetings:** The Association may meet at the occasion of any churchwide meeting or at any other convenient time. Due to the wide dispersal of the members of the Alumni Association, the business of the organization shall be transacted by means of direct or electronic mail to the members.
- Finances:** The administrative expenses of the Executive Committee will be provided by AMBS. Each year the Executive Committee may choose a special seminary project that will be funded by alumni giving.
- Amendments:** This constitution may be amended by presentation in the mail to all members and approval by two-thirds of the responses.
- Continuity:** In the event that both the President and the Vice-President of the Association are not able to function, the Administrative Cabinet of the seminary shall be empowered to effect an organization for the Association.