

**Bylaws for the Graduates' Association
of the
Thomas Starr King School for the Ministry
approved June 23, 2021**

1. Name and Purposes: This Association, known as the Graduates' Association of the Thomas Starr King School for the Ministry (called here the Graduates' Association), is organized for these purposes:

- For the school's graduates to provide support for the school; and
- As a means for the school to communicate with its graduates; and
- For the school's graduates to support one another.

2. Members: Members of the Graduates' Association are graduates of Starr King School for the Ministry.

3. Annual Meeting: The Graduates' Association holds one annual meeting each year either in person or via an internet video conference call, or both. The business of the Annual meeting includes election of officers, election of members of the Nominating Committee, and voting on business and other matters of significance to the Graduates' Association. The Annual Meeting quorum is 20 graduates plus two officers. If there is not a quorum at the Annual Meeting, or it cannot be held by online video conference, then its business may be conducted by e-mail.

4. Officers: The Graduates' Association has 5 Officers with duties described below. As a committee, the Officers shall conduct the Graduates' Association's daily business by phone or e-mail or video conference call. An Officer's term is 2 years. No one may serve more than three terms.

- President: The President chairs the Annual Meeting, represents the Graduates' Association, and serves as, or delegates to another officer to be the graduates' representative on, the Starr King School for the Ministry's Board of Trustees;
- Vice-President: The Vice-President organizes the Annual Meeting and chairs it in the absence of the President;
- Two Membership/Program Officers, who are responsible to assist with advancement, collegial gatherings, and any other appropriate membership or program function in furtherance of the Grad Association goals of supporting the school and fellow graduates.
- Secretary; The Secretary takes the minutes of the Annual meeting and is responsible for organizing communication with its members

5. Nominating Committee: At the Annual Meeting graduates will be elected to the Nominating Committee, which nominates candidates for elections. Nominating Committee members serve for a three-year term, one elected each year. No one may serve more than two terms.

The Nominating Committee supports the work of the SKSM Graduates' Association

Officers' Board by seeking out those with leadership and service potential from our pools of SKSM graduates. The Nominating Committee is responsible for contacting graduates to ascertain interest in service and to inform them of the expectations and responsibilities of the positions. In the spirit of Starr King's multi-religiosity and vision of Educating to Counter Oppression, we envision a Graduates' Association leadership that includes MASD graduates, non-UU graduates, and those from marginalized communities.

6. Vacancies: The Officers of the Graduates' Association will appoint graduates to complete the term of an Officer or Nominating Committee member who has resigned or vacated the office due to death or no response to phone or e-mail contact from 2 officers within three months.

7. Amendments: These Bylaws will be adopted and may be amended by a 2/3 majority vote at an Annual Meeting.