

**CONSTITUTION
OF THE
TEXAS OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION**
(Adopted 04/13/2016)

ARTICLE I – NAME

SECTION 1 – this Association shall be known as the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association.

SECTION 2 – This Association is hereby declared to be a divisional society of the American Osteopathic Association and shall be subject to the Constitution and Bylaws and the Code of Ethics of the American Osteopathic Association, now in effect or as here-after amended.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTS

SECTION 1 – The objects of this Association shall be to improve the public health; to promote the philosophy of the osteopathic school of medicine; to elevate and maintain the high standards of the osteopathic profession in the fields of medicine, surgery and obstetrics; to promote research in the diagnostic and treatment of disease; and to establish and improve upon the high standards of medical education and practice in osteopathic institutions.

~~**ARTICLE III – DISTRICT SOCIETIES AND AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS**~~

~~SECTION 1 – This Association shall be an organization of District societies formed within the State and affiliated organizations authorized by the Bylaws.~~

ARTICLE IIIV – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1 – The membership of this Association shall consist of the present members of the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association and of such others as shall be accepted in the manner of prescribed by the Bylaws.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

SECTION 1 – The officers of this Association shall be the President, Vice President, President-Elect, and onetwo (2) Immediate Past Presidents, Speaker of the House of Delegates and Vice Speaker of the House of Delegates. They shall perform such duties as are provided in the Bylaws.

SECTION 2 – The president shall appoint a Parliamentarian to ensure that the Constitution and Bylaws of this Association are being followed.

ARTICLE VI – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SECTION 1 – The Board of Trustees of this Association shall consist of the President, Vice President, President-Elect, onetwo (2) Immediate Past Presidents, ~~ninetwelve (12)~~ Trustees elected by the membership House of Delegates, Speaker of the House of Delegates*, Vice Speaker of the House of Delegates*, three (3) departmental chairmen, one (1) New Physician Trustee, one (1) Intern/Resident/Fellow Trusteemember and one (1) Student* Trustee-member. The Board shall be the administrative and executive body of the Association and perform such other duties as are provided by the Bylaws. ~~(* – ex officio, non-voting)~~

~~**ARTICLE VII – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**~~

~~SECTION 1 – The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees shall consist of the President, Vice President, President Elect, two (2) Immediate Past Presidents, Chairman of the Department of Professional Affairs, Chairman of the Department of Public Affairs and Chairman of the Department of Development and Liaison.~~

~~**ARTICLE VIII – HOUSE OF DELEGATES**~~

~~SECTION 1 – The House of Delegates shall consist of delegates elected by the District societies and of such other members as may be provided by the Bylaws. The House of Delegates shall be the legislative body of the Association and shall perform such functions as are defined in the Bylaws.~~

ARTICLE VIX – MEETINGS

SECTION 1 – The annual business meeting shall be held at such time and place as may be determined by the Board of TrustceesHouse, but such time and place may be changed by the Board of Trustees should it be deemed advisable.

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ARTICLE ~~VII~~X – AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1 – The Constitution of this Association may be amended at any ~~regular~~ annual business meeting ~~of the House of Delegates~~ by two-thirds vote of the ~~membership accredited delegates~~, present and voting, provided that not less than thirty (30), or not more than ~~sixty~~ninety (~~90~~) days notice shall be given ~~to the House of Delegates~~ in writing by the Executive Director; or that such notice shall have been published in like manner in the official publication of this Association. Only those amendments proposed ~~by a District Society, or~~to the Committee on Constitution, Bylaws and Documents will be considered for action.

Proposed Amendment 01/25/20