

**CONSTITUTION
AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION (FLORIDA)**

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this Association shall be the Air Force Association (Florida), herein referred to as AFA Florida.

ARTICLE II

OBJECTIVES

The Air Force Association (AFA) provides an organization through which we, as free people, may unite to address the defense responsibilities of our nation imposed by the many advances in aerospace technology that have been, and will continue to be made; to educate the members and the public at large as to what that technology can contribute to the security of free people and the betterment of mankind; and to advocate and support military preparedness of the United States and it allies adequate to maintain the security of the United States and the free world.

The purpose and objectives of AFA Florida are to carry out the goals and objectives of the Air Force Association through its duly constituted chapters and members at-large located throughout the State of Florida; to supervise and coordinate the activity of the chapters; and to act as an administrative liaison between the Air Force Association, and the chapters in the State of Florida.

ARTICLE III

LIMITS

AFA Florida shall be civilian and shall not be used for the dissemination of partisan principles, nor for the promotion of the candidacy of any person seeking office or preferment, nor for any other personal or commercial gain.

AFA Florida shall operate exclusively for the purposes specified in AFA's Constitution, and shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon dissolution of AFA Florida, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

Members of AFA Florida shall be those Air Force Association members whose chosen chapter affiliation or official mailing address is located in the State of Florida and who have so registered with AFA National.

ARTICLE V

ORGANIZATION

AFA Florida shall be organized in Chapters chartered by the Air Force Association. No person may be a member of more than one Chapter.

ARTICLE VI

FINANCE

Section 1. Dues. Annual dues are paid to the Air Force Association as required by the Association. No other dues are required.

Section 2. Fiscal and Operating Years. The Fiscal Year of AFA Florida shall be January 1 to December 31. The Operating Year for tenure of officers, etc., shall be October 1 to September 30 of the following year.

ARTICLE VII

OFFICERS

Section 1. Elected Officers. The officers of the Air Force Association (Florida) shall be a President, Executive Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The officers shall be elected by the delegates at the State Convention held annually and shall assume office the first of October of that year. The term of office for President shall be two (2) years. The incumbent President may be elected to an additional one (1) year term. No person may be elected to the office of Executive Vice President or Secretary for more than five (5) consecutive one (1) year terms. The Treasurer may be reelected to consecutive one (1) year terms without restriction. The person elected Florida State President shall also serve as the Florida Region President.

Section 2. Appointed Officers. The State President may appoint additional officers with the approval of the Executive Committee to serve concurrently with the President. Appointed officers may be removed from office by the President or by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

Section 3. Vacancies. In case of a vacancy in any elective office, it shall be filled by appointment of the President for the remainder of the unexpired term and thereafter until a successor is elected, except that in the case of a vacancy occurring in the office of President, the duties of that office shall be assumed by the Executive Vice President until such time as a President shall be elected by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. President. The President shall exercise the powers and perform the duties assigned by the Constitution; supervise the management of the state organization; enforce the provisions of the Constitution; appoint all standing and special committees or councils; perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office. The President shall preside at the AFA Florida Convention and shall be chairman of the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Executive Vice President. The Executive Vice President shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the President or by the Executive Committee and shall discharge the duties of the President whenever the disability or absence of the President, as determined by the Executive Committee, makes such service advisable.

Section 3. Secretary. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings and of all other matters of which a record shall be ordered by the Executive Committee; notify the officers and all members of committees of their election or appointment; issue notices of special meetings; perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Executive Committee, or that are usually incident to the office.

Section 4. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall collect and disburse all funds and be the custodian of such funds; make annual financial report and, at such other times as requested by the Executive Committee, or by the President, make financial records available for inspection by any member of the Executive Committee, when requested; perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Executive Committee, or are usually incident to the office. The Treasurer shall chair the Finance Committee.

ARTICLE IX

STATE CONVENTION

Section 1. State Convention. An annual convention shall be held in the fourth quarter of each operating year at the time and place set by the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Notification. All Chapters in the State, and the President of the Air Force Association shall be notified in writing of the date and location of the annual State Convention at least sixty (60) days in advance of the meeting.

Section 3. Delegates. Each Chapter shall be entitled to one (1) delegate, and (1) additional delegate for each fifty (50) of its voting members, or major fraction thereof, provided, that no single Chapter shall be entitled to more than twenty-five (25) percent of the total accredited votes at the convention. All delegates shall be affiliated members of a Chapter in Florida. The Executive Committee shall determine procedures for certifying delegates from the Chapters.

Section 4. Voting. Only delegates who have registered for the convention shall exercise the right of voting. Each delegate shall be entitled to one (1) vote. If a Chapter has more votes than it has delegates present and registered, the delegation will decide by majority vote how the remainder of the Chapter votes will be cast. The Chapter President shall be the chairman of the delegation or may designate another member of the Chapter to act as chairman if the President is unable to attend.

Section 5. Quorum. A quorum shall exist when at least one-third (1/3) of the Chapters of the State Association have registered and are present.

Section 6. Convention Rules. The Executive Committee shall establish rules and procedures for the convention which shall be approved by the convention body at the opening of the first business session.

ARTICLE X

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. Membership. The Executive Committee shall consist of the AFA Florida elected officers and chapter presidents.

Section 2. Authority. The Executive Committee shall have administrative authority between meetings for matters not otherwise assigned by the Constitution. This body may meet in person, or may vote by mail, or electronic communications. Decisions shall be by majority vote and a report of any actions taken shall be made to all members of the Executive Committee.

Section 3. Powers and Duties. The Executive Committee shall exercise the powers and perform the duties assigned by the Constitution; be responsible for the general management of the state organization; approve appointments of standing committees and special committees and councils; and provide for the appointment of subordinate officers as may be needed for proper administration of the affairs of the state.

Section 4. Meetings. The Executive Committee shall meet at least twice a year. Special meetings may be called by the President, and also shall be called upon the written request of at least ten (10) of its members.

Section 5. Quorum. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of at least two-third (2/3) of its members.

ARTICLE XI

COMMITTEES

Section 1. Standing Committees. Standing Committees shall be at least Executive Committee, Finance Committee, Leadership Development/Nominating Committee. Where otherwise not specified in this Constitution, the President, annually, shall appoint the members of each Standing Committee, designate the chairmen, and fill vacancies.

Section 2. Special Committees. Special Committees may be created by the President, the Executive Committee or the convention body. The President shall appoint the members of such committees, designate the chairman, and fill vacancies. When any special committee so created makes its final report, the committee shall cease to exist.

Section 3. Meetings. Standing and Special Committees shall meet after due notice to its members is given by its chairman, by the President, by the Executive Committee, or upon the written request of a majority of its members.

ARTICLE XII

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT/NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Section 1. Membership. The Leadership Development/Nominating Committee shall consist of at least three (3) members elected by the Executive Committee. The immediate past AFA Florida President shall serve as chairman of the committee.

Section 2. Quorum. A majority of its members shall constitute a quorum of the Nominating Committee.

Section 3. Nominations. The Committee shall meet at the call of the chairman not less than forty-five (45) days prior to the election. Nominees shall be selected by majority vote of the committee and may be selected by conference call or other communications. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee shall inform the Chapter Presidents of the nominees not less than thirty (30) days prior to the election of officers.

Section 4. Nominations from the Floor. Nominations may be made from the floor at the State Convention provided that such nomination(s) shall be accompanied by the written consent of the nominee(s) to serve.

Section 5. Developing Leadership. The Committee shall be responsible for assisting chapters in their leadership developments efforts, provide mentoring suggestions to chapters and individuals, and seek to identify new leaders in the state for state and chapter offices.

ARTICLE XIII

NATIONAL CONVENTION

Section 1. State Delegates. The President shall be the Chairman of the Delegation to the National Convention. In the event that the President is unable to attend, the chairman shall be the Executive Vice President and if neither officer is able to attend, the President shall designate the delegation chairman from among other voting members of AFA Florida.

Section 2. Delegate Selection. The State Convention may determine the manner in which the other delegates to the national convention are selected or the President may select the delegates to represent the state and then manage the delegation in compliance with the AFA National Constitution.

ARTICLE XIV

DISCIPLINE

Section. 1. A State Organization which violates the Constitution of the Air Force Association, reflects discredit upon the Association, or has been inactive may have its charter suspended or revoked. Disciplinary action may be taken against any state organization elected or appointed officer according to the procedures established in the Constitution and the Operations and Procedures Manual of the National Air Force Association.

Section 2. AFA Florida shall not enter into any agreements, leases or other commitments, or involvements of any kind or nature whatsoever, the direct or indirect effect of which shall be legally to obligate or constrain the Air Force Association, without the prior written approval of the National President of the Air Force Association; nor shall they engage in any activity contrary to or inconsistent with, the objectives or policies of the National Air Force Association.

ARTICLE XV

PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern AFA Florida in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and any special rules of order the State Organization may adopt.

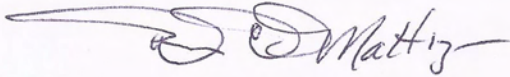
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AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the delegates at the State Convention, or by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the total Executive Committee; provided, however, that any amendment adopted by the Executive Committee shall be subject to amendment or ratification by the majority vote of the delegates at the following State Convention

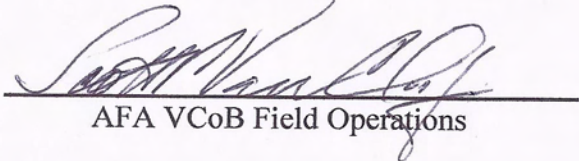
Adopted July 13, 2013
(Effective Oct 1, 2013)

ENDORSEMENTS



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AFA Florida State/Region President

October 1, 2013
Date



Scott Van Dyke
AFA VCoB Field Operations

10 June 14
Date