



Mississippi's First  
**Alumnae Association**  
since 1889

## CHAPTER AGREEMENT

### DEFINITIONS:

Mississippi's First Alumnae Association: The governing board of a national non-profit corporation chartered by the State of Mississippi dedicated to supporting Mississippi University for Women ("MUW").

Chapter: A group of alumnae/i of MUW who voluntarily unite for the common purpose of implementing the work of Mississippi's First Alumnae Association at the local level.

### Chapter Models:

*Traditional Model*: A chapter may elect a traditional model and follow a formally structured pattern of organization. (This model typically elects a President and other officers, collects local dues, establishes a regular meeting schedule, and sponsors local projects.)

*Informal Model*: A chapter may also choose to follow a more flexible pattern, electing to identify a contact person to represent the group, to meet from time to time, and to remain flexible in terms of its activities and projects.

*E-chapter Model*: A chapter may also consist of members from a widely dispersed geographic area, who lacking access to a local chapter, may opt to create a virtual chapter, following either the formal or informal model of organization. E-chapters may also be started to facilitate connections between alumnae/i with a common major, members of the same social club or organization, or other shared interest or purpose.

Chapter Contact Person: Each chapter shall select a member to serve as a conduit for the exchange of information between MFAeA and the individual chapters. The contact person may be any member selected by the chapter for that role.

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Jane Dennis, Chapter Development Chairperson at [janedennis@comcast.net](mailto:janedennis@comcast.net) or 94 Pebble Beach Dr., Little Rock, AR 72212

TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT:

OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES:

The Association agrees to provide the following information and support to the chapters:

- 1) contact information for alumnae/i who may be interested in joining the local chapter
- 2) information regarding Association activities and projects
- 3) information regarding MUW news & activities that may be of particular interest/relevance to the chapter
- 4) assistance in creating an electronic mailing list for those alumnae/i who join the chapter

In return for above-listed service/support:

- 1) (Representative) agrees to encourage regular interaction among members of the chapter and to forward relevant information to MFAeA. [(Representative) is under no obligation to undertake any personal expense in fulfilling this function]
- 2) When authorized to do so, (representative) agrees to sign an agreement with MFAeA, on behalf of the chapter, affirming that the chapter is a loyal affiliate of Mississippi's First Alumnae Association and will affiliate solely with MFAeA.

EXCLUSIONS:

This Agreement does not obligate (representative), (local chapter) or any of its members to become active, voting members of the Association, *although active membership is encouraged.*

This Agreement does not obligate (representative), (local chapter), or any of its members to undertake any projects or formal activities on behalf of either the Association or MUW.

Neither the Association nor (representative) are obligated to provide financial support to the above-named chapter. Whenever feasible, however, *the* Association will strive to provide assistance to (local chapter) to conduct activities that support the Association and the mission of Mississippi University for Women.

This Agreement does not give (representative), (local chapter), or its individual members the right to bind the Association in any way.

In the event that (representative) no longer wishes to serve, or is unable to serve as the contact person for the above-named chapter, responsibility may be transferred to a new contact person by notifying the Secretary of the Association and providing the name and contact information for the person who has been selected by the chapter to assume contact person responsibilities.

PROVISIONS FOR RENEWAL OR TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT:

- (1) This contract will be reviewed for renewal every five years.
- (2) Upon 30 days notice, either party may terminate this agreement.

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President of MFAeA

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Chapter Contact Person, representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Chapter

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