

promote the usefulness and honour, the financial and other interests of the nursing profession.

#### ARTICLE III.—ELIGIBILITY.

Alumnæ Associations of Schools of Nursing connected with general hospitals of not less than one hundred (100) beds, giving not less than two (2) full years of training *in the hospital*, shall be eligible for membership in this Association, by sending thereto accredited delegates and paying annual dues.

#### ARTICLE IV.—MEMBERSHIP.

Membership in this Association shall be divided into active, permanent and honorary. Active membership shall consist of delegates duly elected to represent the Alumnæ Associations belonging to this Association, including all officers of the Association.

Permanent membership shall consist of former delegates and officers.

Honorary membership shall consist only of women who shall have rendered distinguished services in the nursing profession.

#### ARTICLE V.—STATE AND PROVINCIAL ASSOCIATIONS.

Whenever there shall be not less than three eligible Alumnæ Associations in a State or Province, it shall be the duty of these Alumnæ to organise a State or Provincial Association; provided that they shall first have joined this Association. They shall elect State or Provincial officers and shall adopt such Constitution and Bye-laws as shall not contravene those of this Association.

#### ARTICLE VI.—OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association shall be a president, first and second vice-presidents, secretary and treasurer. They shall have such duties as shall be hereinafter provided.

#### ARTICLE VII.—BOARD OF CONTROL.

Sec. 1.—The officers of this Association, with State and Provincial directors, as hereinafter provided, shall constitute a Board of Control and shall manage the affairs of the Association.

Sec. 2.—They shall elect an Executive Committee from their members for the transaction of business.

#### ARTICLE VIII.—THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL.

There shall be a Judicial Council of nine (9) members whose decisions in all cases shall be held final and binding by this Association.

#### ARTICLE IX.—CODE OF ETHICS.

The Code of Ethics of this Association shall be binding upon all members.

#### ARTICLE X.—ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of this Association shall include all officers of the Association, the Judicial Council, State and Provincial Directors, delegates from Associated Alumnæ in such proportion to their members as shall be hereinafter specified, permanent members and visitors according to the Rules of the Association.

#### ARTICLE XI.—AMENDMENTS.

Sec. 1. Amendments to the Constitution shall be proposed in writing at the first Session of the second day of the annual meeting, and shall be voted upon at the annual meeting next subsequent to that at which such amendment shall have been proposed, it being provided that each Alumnæ Association shall receive a copy of any proposed amendment at least three months prior to the meeting at which action is to be taken. *Provided further*, that when an amendment is properly under consideration, and an amendment is offered thereto, germane to the subject, it shall be in order if adopted, and shall have the same standing and course as if proposed at the preceding meeting of the Association.

Sec. 2. A two-thirds vote of all members present at the meeting shall be required.

#### BYE-LAWS.

##### I.—MEETINGS.

This Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as may be determined upon by the Association from year to year.

##### II.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1.—The president shall preside at the annual meeting and appoint all committees not otherwise provided for. She shall be an *ex officio* member of all committees.

Sec. 2.—The vice-presidents shall, according to their rank, in the absence of the president, perform their duties and shall act as State and Provincial directors for isolated Alumnæ Associations.

Sec. 3.—The president and vice-presidents shall be elected annually.

Sec. 4.—The secretary shall keep the minutes of the meeting, conduct the correspondence of the Association, and send by mail to the State and Provincial directors, or to the presidents of Alumnæ Associations, all such matters as may

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