

BY-LAWS: FRIENDS OF AMBAR – BEAUTIFUL MINDS FOUNDATION

ARTICLE I. NAME OF ORGANIZATION

The name of the corporation is FRIENDS OF AMBAR - BEAUTIFUL MINDS FOUNDATION (BMF)

ARTICLE II. CORPORATE PURPOSE

Section 1. Nonprofit Purpose

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions of grants to individuals in support of their educational endeavors.

Section 2. Specific Purpose

The BMF provides educational grants to students based on a defined set of criteria that may include financial need or demonstrate a passion or talent but have a lack of means to develop them.

The specific objectives and purpose of this organization shall be:

- a. To fund selected students of the School of Planning & Architecture, New Delhi, in their identified endeavors;
- b. To provide support for activities including, but not limited to, educational fees, travel costs, purchase of equipment, and costs related to primary research;
- c. To provide students access to resources that increase their understanding of mental health issues. The funds may support the sponsoring of, hosting and/or participation in events and activities that promote mental wellbeing.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Annual Dues

There are no annual dues required for membership to the association.

Section 2. Resignation and Termination

Any member may resign by filing a written resignation with the secretary. A member can have their membership terminated by a majority vote of the membership.

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. General Powers

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have control of and be responsible for the management of the affairs and property of the Corporation.

Section 2. Number, Tenure, Requirements, and Qualifications

The number of Directors shall be fixed from time-to-time by the Directors but shall consist of no less than four (4) nor more than fifteen (15) including the following officers: the President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and School/Community Liaison.

The members of the Board of Directors shall, upon nomination, immediately enter upon the performance of their duties and shall continue in office until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified. All members of the Board of Directors and Advisory Council must be approved by a majority vote of the members present and voting. No vote on new members of the Board of Directors, or Advisory Council, shall be held unless a quorum of the Board of Directors is present as provided in Section 6 of this Article.

Each member of the Board of Directors shall be a member of the Corporation.

Newly nominated members of the Board of Directors shall serve an initial one-year terms. At the conclusion of the initial one-year term, members of the Board of Directors may serve additional three year terms.

Each member of the Board of Directors shall attend at least four (4) meetings of the Board per year.

Section 3. Regular and Annual Meetings

An annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held at a time and day in the month of September of each calendar year and at a location or virtually as designated by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution the time and place, for the holding of regular meetings of the Board.

Section 4. Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the President or any two members of the Board of Directors. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board of Directors may fix any location, as the place for holding any special meeting of the Board called by them.

Section 5. Notice

Notice of any special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given at least two (2) days in advance of the meeting by telephone, or electronic methods or by written notice. Any Director may waive notice of any meeting.

Section 6. Quorum

The presence, in person or virtually of a majority of current members of the Board of Directors shall be necessary at any meeting to constitute a quorum to transact business, but a lesser number shall have power to adjourn to a specified later date without notice. The act of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors, unless the act of a greater number is required by law or by these by-laws.

Section 7. Forfeiture

Any member of the Board of Directors who fails to fulfill any of his or her requirements as set forth in Section 2 of this Article by September 1st shall automatically forfeit his or her seat on the Board. The Secretary shall notify the Director in writing that his or her seat has been declared vacant, and the Board of Directors may forthwith immediately proceed to fill the vacancy. Members of the Board of Directors who are removed for failure to meet any or all of the requirements of Section 2 of this Article are not entitled to vote at the annual meeting and are not entitled to the procedure outlined in Section 11 of this Article in these by-laws.

Section 8. Vacancies

Whenever any vacancy occurs in the Board of Directors it shall be filled without undue delay by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board of Directors at a regular meeting. Vacancies may be created and filled according to specific methods approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 9. Compensation

Members of the Board of Directors shall not receive any compensation for their services as Directors.

Section 10. Advisory Council

An Advisory Council may be created whose members shall be elected by the members of the Board of Directors annually but who shall have no duties, voting privileges, nor obligations for attendance at regular meetings of the Board. Advisory Council members may attend said meetings at the invitation of a member of the Board of Directors. Members of the Advisory Council shall possess the desire to serve the community and support the work of the Corporation by providing expertise and professional knowledge.

Section 11. Removal

Any member of the Board of Directors or members of the Advisory Council may be removed with or without cause, at any time, by vote of three-quarters (3/4) of the members of the Board of Directors if in their judgment the best interest of the Corporation would be served thereby. Each member of the Board of Directors must receive written notice of the proposed removal at least ten (10) days in advance of the proposed action. An officer who has been removed as a member of the Board of Directors shall automatically be removed from office.

Members of the Board of Directors who are removed for failure to meet the minimum requirements in Section 2 of this Article in these by-laws automatically forfeit their positions on the Board pursuant to Section 7 of this Article, and are not entitled to the removal procedure outlined in Section 11 of this Article.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

The officers of this Board shall be the President, Secretary, Treasurer and School Liaison. All officers must have the status of active members of the Board.

Section 1. President

The President shall preside at all meetings of the membership. The President shall have the following duties:

- a. He/ She shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Committee.
- b. He/ She shall have general and active management of the business of this Advisory Board.
- c. He/ She shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Advisory Board are brought to the Advisory Board.
- d. He/ She shall have general superintendence and direction of all other officers of this corporation and see that their duties are properly performed.

Section 2. Secretary

The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and of the Advisory Council will act as a clerk thereof. The Secretary's duties shall consist of:

- a. He/ She shall record all votes and summary of proceedings.
- b. He/ She shall send notices of all meetings to the members of the Advisory Council.
- c. He/ She shall perform all official correspondence from the Advisory Council.

Section 3. Treasurer

The Treasures duties shall be:

- a. He/ She shall report on all funds raised, and expenditures incurred by the Board, and proposed capital expenditures.
- b. He/ She shall have the right of inspection of the funds resting in the Association's accounts including budgets and subsequent audit reports.
- c. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to assist in direct audits of the funds of the program according to generally accepted accounting principles.

Section 4. School Liaison

The School Liaison duties shall be:

- a. He/ She shall coordinate all activities with the School including Student Body, Faculty and Administration.
- b. He/ She shall provide updates, summarizing the activities of the Foundation to the representatives of the school, as well as, report on the relevant activities pertinent to the foundation's business to the Board.
- c. He/ She shall be the Foundation's point of contact for Faculty, Staff and Students of the School for all foundation related activities.

Section 5. Nomination of Officers

The Board shall nominate at the meeting prior to the annual meeting the names of those persons for the respective offices. Those officers nominated shall serve a term of one (1) year, commencing at the next meeting following the annual meeting.

Section 6. Removal of Officer

The Board with the concurrence of 3/4 of the members voting at the meeting may remove any officer of the Board of Directors and nominate a successor for the unexpired term. No officer of the Board of Directors shall be expelled without an opportunity to be heard and notice of such motion of expulsion shall be given to the member in writing twenty (20) days prior to the meeting at which motion shall be presented, setting forth the reasons of the Board for such expulsion.

ARTICLE VI. – Conflict of Interest and Compensation

Section 1: Purpose

The purpose of the conflict of interest policy is to protect this tax-exempt organization's (Organization) interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or director of the Organization or might result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest applicable to nonprofit and charitable organizations.

Section 2: Definitions

- a. Interested Person: Any director, principal officer, or member of a committee with governing board delegated powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below, is an interested person.
- b. Financial Interest: A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family:
 1. An ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement,
 2. A compensation arrangement with the Organization or with any entity or individual with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement, or
 3. A potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the Organization is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.

A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Article III, Section 2, Aa person who has a financial interest may have a conflict of interest only if the appropriate governing board or committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.

Section 3. Procedures

- a. Duty to Disclose. In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the directors and members of committees with governing board delegated powers considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.
- b. Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists. After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, he/she shall leave the governing board or committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining board or committee members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists.
- c. Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest:
 1. An interested person may make a presentation at the governing board or committee meeting, but after the presentation, he/she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.
 2. The president shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.
 3. After exercising due diligence, the governing board or committee shall determine whether the Organization can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.
 4. If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the governing board or committee shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in the Organization's best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable. In conformity with the above determination, it shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement.
- d. Violations of the Conflicts of Interest Policy
 1. If the governing board or committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.
 2. If, after hearing the member's response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the governing board or committee determines the member has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

Section 4. Records of Proceedings

The minutes of the governing board and all committees with board delegated powers shall contain:

- a. The names of the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have a financial interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest was present, and the governing board's or committee's decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact existed.

- b. The names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

Section 5. Compensation

- a. A voting member of the governing board who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.
- b. A voting member of any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.
- c. No voting member of the governing board or any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization, either individually or collectively, is prohibited from providing information to any committee regarding compensation.

Section 6. Periodic Reviews

To ensure the Organization operates in a manner consistent with charitable purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, periodic reviews shall be conducted. The periodic reviews shall, at a minimum, include the following subjects:

- a. Whether compensation arrangements and benefits are reasonable, based on competent survey information, and the result of arm's length bargaining.
- b. Whether partnerships, joint ventures, and arrangements with management organizations conform to the Organization's written policies, are properly recorded, reflect reasonable investment or payments for goods and services, further charitable purposes and do not result in inurement, impermissible private benefit or in an excess benefit transaction.

ARTICLE VII. INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. General

To the full extent authorized under the laws of the State of California, the corporation shall indemnify any director, officer, employee, or agent, or former member, director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation, or any person who may have served at the corporation's request as a director or officer of another corporation (each of the foregoing members, directors, officers, employees, agents, and persons is referred to in this Article individually as an "indemnitee"), against expenses actually and necessarily incurred by such indemnitee in connection with the defense of any action, suit, or proceeding in which that indemnitee is made a party by reason of being or having been such member, director, officer, employee, or agent, except in relation to matters as to which that indemnitee shall have been adjudged in such action, suit, or proceeding to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of a duty. The foregoing indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which an indemnitee may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement, resolution of the Board of Directors, or otherwise.

Section 2. Expenses

Expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) incurred in defending a civil or criminal action, suit, or proceeding may be paid by the corporation in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit, or proceeding, if authorized by the Board of Directors, upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the indemnitee to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that such indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified hereunder.

Section 3. Insurance

The corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a member, director, officer, employee, or agent against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power or obligation to indemnify such person against such liability under this Article.

ARTICLE VIII. BOOKS AND RECORDS

The corporation shall keep complete books and records of account and summary of the proceedings of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Articles of Incorporation

The Articles may be amended in any manner at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors, provided that specific written notice of the proposed amendment of the Articles setting forth the proposed amendment or a summary of the changes to be effected thereby shall be given to each director at least three days in advance of such a meeting. As required by the Articles, any amendment to Article III or Article V of the Articles shall require the affirmative vote of all directors then in office. All other amendments of the Articles shall require the affirmative vote of an absolute majority of directors then in office.

Section 2. Bylaws

The Board of Directors may amend these Bylaws by majority vote at any regular or special meeting. Written notice setting forth the proposed amendment or summary of the changes to be effected thereby shall be given to each director within the time and the manner provided for the giving of notice of meetings of directors.

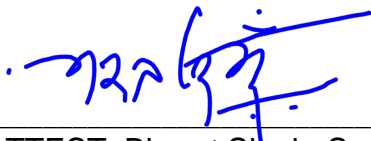
ADOPTION OF BYLAWS

We, the undersigned, are all of the initial directors or incorporators of this corporation, and we consent to, and hereby do, adopt the foregoing Bylaws, consisting of the ## preceding pages, as the Bylaws of this corporation.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of Directors on this 14th day of February, 2021.



Nisha Woiwode, President - Friends of Ambar - Beautiful Minds Foundation



ATTEST: Bharat Singh, Secretary - Friends of Ambar - Beautiful Minds Foundation