

# ***BY-LAWS OF THE WISCONSIN CHAPTER UPMA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION***

## **ARTICLE 1: NAME**

The name of this corporation is The Wisconsin Chapter UPMA Scholarship Foundation. The term "Wisconsin UPMA Scholarship" shall stand for the full name of the organization.

## **ARTICLE 2: PURPOSE**

Wisconsin UPMA Scholarship exists to award scholarships to children, step children, wards, grandchildren, and grand step children of members in good standing.

## **ARTICLE 3: STATUS**

- A. Wisconsin UPMA Scholarship shall be a Non-Profit Organization and operated exclusively for the purpose specified in Article 2.
- B. Wisconsin UPMA Scholarship shall use its funds to accomplish the purpose specified in Article 2. No part of such funds shall be beneficial or distributed to a board member.

## **ARTICLE 4: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

THE Wisconsin UPMA Scholarship Board of Directors shall consist of the UPMA Wisconsin Chapter Executive Board President, Executive Vice President, Retiree President, Treasurer/Secretary, and Scholarship Chairperson.

## **ARTICLE 5: GOVERNANCE**

The Board shall direct and control the business management and affairs of Wisconsin UPMA Scholarship. They shall have the authority to approve or deny any requests for scholarships and to recommend dispensing of funds.

## **ARTICLE 6: SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS**

The funds of the Wisconsin UPMA Scholarship shall be obtained primarily from donations, contributions from family members, friends, corporations, and the general public. All funds received must be unconditional.

## **ARTICLE 7: SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

The Scholarship Committee shall be named in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Wisconsin UPMA governing documents and shall:

- 1. consist of the Chair and 2 members appointed by the Chair to be on the committee.
- 2. advertise for scholarship candidates in the "Zip Line" magazine, any special mailing, and on the Wisconsin UPMA website.
- 3. make updates and changes to the application when needed, with the approval of the Wisconsin UPMA Board of Directors.

4. screen applications judging on test scores, secondary school records, personal qualifications, community involvement, and such other criteria as approved by the Board of Directors. Decisions of the committee will be final.

## **ARTICLE 8: AWARDS**

- A. The Board of Directors will decide annually on the number and amount of scholarships.
- B. Amounts awarded shall take into consideration the amount of money available for the number of applicant(s).
- C. Checks will be sent directly to the institution the recipient is attending. Checks will be issued after successful completion of the first semester and returning for the second semester.

## **ARTICLE 9: APPLICATIONS**

### **SECTION 1**

- A. Completed application forms, together with all required enclosures, must reach the Scholarship Committee Chair no later than the advertised date each year.
- C. All applications received after the deadline will not be accepted.
- D. The application for scholarship must be completed in its entirety and shall include all required enclosures.

### **SECTION 2**

- A. The scholarships are awarded for one (1) year.
- B. Scholarships are available for a high school graduate who is accepted as a first year student for admission to an accredited College, University, or Technical School.
- C. The method and schedule for processing applications will be determined by the Board of Directors.
- D. Successful applications will be announced at the annual UPMA Wisconsin Chapter Convention.

## **ARTICLE 10: SUCCESSOR CORPORATION OR DISSOLUTION**

Should the Wisconsin UPMA Scholarship for any reason whatsoever surrender its charter, either voluntarily by action of the Board of Directors, or by action of state officials or a court of law, all of the property of Wisconsin UPMA Scholarship shall be turned over and delivered to the successor corporation, if a successor corporation has been duly formed. Otherwise, all property of the Wisconsin UPMA Scholarship shall be donated to a bona fide not-for-profit organization that is engaged in a similar work.

## **ARTICLE 11: AMENDMENT**

The by-laws of Wisconsin Chapter UPMA Scholarship may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Directors present at any regularly called meeting provided that prior notice of one (1) week has been given to all Board of Directors in writing.

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