

CONSTITUTION FOR UNIONTOWN CHAPTER HADASSAH

ARTICLE I

The name of the organization shall be the Uniontown Chapter of Hadassah. It is an integral part of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc., and a part of the Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio region.

ARTICLE 2

The objects and purposes of the chapter shall be:

1. To promote the establishment of a legally assured, publicly secured home for the Jewish people in Palestine.
2. To provide and promote in Palestine a broad program of health activities, social services and youth welfare work.
3. To foster Zionist ideals and education in America.

ARTICLE 3

MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATIONS

- Sec. 1 Any woman who subscribes and supports the objects and purposes of Hadassah as stated in Article 2 is eligible to membership. Membership in the chapter also includes membership in the world Zionist organization.
- Sec. 2 The chapter shall recognize, promote and stimulate the organization of Junior Hadassah.

ARTICLE 4

- Sec. 1 The fiscal year of this chapter shall begin September 1st, and end August 30th of each year.
- Sec. 2 Each member of the chapter shall pay annual dues of \$4.00, unless this amount is increased by the National Office, \$1.25 of which shall be retained by the Chapter for local administrative expenses, and the balance transmitted to the National treasury to be allocated in the following manner: for the payment of shekels, payable to the World Zionist Organization; for a reserve fund for Palestinian purposes, and the remainder for national administrative expenses, including subventions and special allocations.
- Sec. 3 All funds received by the chapter for specific Hadassah projects shall be allocated for transmission to the National Treasury of Hadassah for the specifically named purpose for which the money was raised.
- Sec. 4 The chapter shall establish a local administrative fund for local administrative purposes provided by the \$1.25 retained from the annual membership dues.

ARTICLE 5

- Sec. 1 The officers of the chapter shall be a President, two or three Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, and two Corresponding Secretaries.
- Sec. 2 The term of office shall be for one year only. No officer shall retain the same office for more than four consecutive years.
- Sec. 3 The Board of Directors shall consist of the following:
- a. All existing officers for the duration of their office.
 - b. Out-going officers for a period of one year.
 - c. Six senior members to be nominated by the nominating committee and elected by the membership, to serve for a period of three years, one-third of whom shall be elected annually.
 - d. At the suggestion and with the approval of the Board, one or more outstanding members of Hadassah may become members of the Board in recognition for some distinctive and outstanding contribution they render to the organization.
 - e. Standing committee chairmen.
- Sec. 4 The organization shall meet at least five times a year and at such time and place as the Chapter shall decide.
- Sec. 5. The Board of Directors shall meet before the beginning of the fiscal season, and at any specific time hereafter when the President shall deem it necessary to call a Board meeting to discuss important business at hand.
- Sec. 6 The office of any member of the Board of Directors absenting herself without cause from three consecutive Board meetings, or without notifying the secretary for the reason of her absence, shall automatically become vacant, and her position on the Board will be temporarily filled by an appointment from the President of the Chapter to fill the unexpired term of the Board member who has vacated her position.
- Sec. 7 A nominating committee shall be appointed during the month of March at a meeting which shall include notice of such elections. It shall consist of the members appointed by the President of the organization. It is clear that any member accepting a place on the nominating committee shall not be eligible to nominate anyone from the floor for an office at the time the nominating slate is presented to the members.
- Sec. 8 The report of the nominating committee shall be presented to the membership at the April meeting. Election shall be held in May. The term of office shall begin at the close of the May meeting and shall continue for one year, or until successors are elected. If a vacancy shall occur in an elective office this vacancy shall be filled for the remaining term by election by the Board of Directors with the exception of the office of the President.

ARTICEE 6

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the chapter and of the Board of Directors, and to appoint chairmen of all committees. She shall perform such other duties as pertain to this office.

VICE-PRESIDENT: The Vice-President shall assist the President and in the absence or disability of the President shall discharge the duties of the President; and in case of a vacancy in mid-term she shall become acting president.

TREASURER: The Treasurer shall be custodian of all monies. She shall receive and disburse all funds of the Chapter. Receipts of all monies accepted shall be signed by the treasurer. She shall keep an itemized list of all receipts and expenditures and pay out monies. She shall be authorized to make only such payments as are approved by the membership at an open meeting or by the Board of Directors. She shall submit monthly statements at the meetings and at the annual meeting in May she shall present a complete report.

RECORDING SECRETARY: It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a correct record of all meetings of the chapter and the Board of Directors. She shall be custodian of all records and correspondence belonging to the Chapter, not specifically assigned to others.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: It shall be the duty of the financial secretary to perform such duties as may be assigned to her by the Treasurer relative to membership, dues, records and so forth.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: It shall be the duty of a Corresponding Secretary to perform the duties of her office, namely all correspondence, not assigned to any member of committee chairman and also to write and send cards to members on any occasion which is deemed fit.

ARTICLE 7

DELIGATES

Sec. 1 Deligates and alternates to all meetings to the National Convention of Hadassah shall be elected by vote at a meeting of the Chapter preceding the National Convention. The number of deligates and alternates entitled to attend the convention shall be determined according to the latest bylaws of the National Organization.

Sec. 2 Deligates and alternates to the Regional Hadassah Conference shall be elected by vote at a meeting of the Chapter preceding the Regional Conference. The number of deligates and alternates shall be determined according to the latest bylaws of the Regional Conference.

ARTICLE 8

This constitution or any articles herein may be amended at a meeting of the Chapter by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided such amendment has been submitted in writing to the membership at least thirty days before the date of the meeting of the taking of such a vote. This same procedure shall apply in the case of an addition to the constitution if at any time in the future it is deemed necessary to add to the constitution, it shall also be required that the addition be written and presented at a meeting of the membership at large and such action will be taken thirty days after presentation of the addition.

ARTICLE 9

No meeting can be conducted unless a quorum which represents 25% of the membership is present.

ARTICLE 10

All meetings shall, subject to this constitution, be governed by Roberts Rules of Order.