



WAAAUB Committee for Chapters Mission, Goals and Objectives January 2008

Mission

The Committee for Chapters mission is same as WAAAUB's mission:

“To strengthen the ties between the AUB and all Alumni and to engage all Alumni in advancing and supporting the goals and the educational research, and service mission of the University.

The Chapter shall foster the educational, career and social interests of the university's alumni and shall work to preserve and promote the rich heritage and values of AUB.”

Goals

Work for and with alumni chapters and branches worldwide to achieve WAAAUB mission.

According to the WAAAUB bylaws “The Committee for Chapters shall support the University's efforts to develop strong links among WAAAUB, its constituent groups and among its chapters. The Committee for Chapters shall assist the Chapters in complying with the WAAAUB Chapter Policies and Procedures and shall monitor their compliance on an on-going basis. The Committee for Chapters shall recommend to the WAAAUB Board the approval of new chapters or the termination of the status of existing chapters which fail to meet the requirements of the WAAAUB Chapter Policies and Procedures. The Committee for Chapters shall also from time to time review and recommend changes to the Chapter Policies and Procedures to the WAAAUB Board.”

Objectives

To be able to achieve its goals, the Committee for Chapters strategy should focus on developing the activities that will serve the following objectives:

1. Develop strong links with alumni chapters worldwide: this objective can be achieved by the following activities:
 - a. Visits to the Chapters worldwide
 - b. Assessing Chapters needs and recommendations
 - c. Coordinate with the other standing committees to achieve this objective.
2. Improve communication between the various alumni chapters worldwide:
 - a. Develop an electronic news letter to cover chapters news and activities worldwide
 - b. Organize regional chapters meetings that will bring chapters representatives to meet with each other.
 - c. Collaborate with the Programs Committee to organize joint chapter's activities in different regions.
3. Encourage collaboration and coordination among chapters by promoting WAAAUB Chapters Policies and Procedures
 - a. Develop the Chapters manuals booklet as provided in the WAAAUB Chapters Policies and Procedures.
 - b. Assess Chapters perception of WAAAUB Chapters Policies and Procedures
 - c. Develop with Chapters the time frame and the process for following up on these procedures
4. Review current strategy to make sure it meets the WAAAUB's mission.
5. Study and recommend amendments of the WAAAUB by-laws to the WAAAUB Board.
6. Develop criteria of WAAAUB Annual Awards.
7. Be proactive in resolving any conflict arising within and between chapters.

8. Encourage chapters to involve young Alumni in specific activities of their interest and in functions that would keep them close to their Alma Mater.
9. Encourage the formation of new professional chapters worldwide.

Committee Operational Structure

Given the scope of these objectives, it is recommended that the Chair organizes subcommittees in order to more specifically focus the talents and experience of the committee members. Subcommittees should consider involving the participation of Council and Board members not currently serving on any standing committee and should take into consideration regional representations (for example, a subcommittee for North America and another one for Lebanon).

Moreover the Committee for Chapters needs to implement the following functions:

- 1- Setting up and planning strategic goals and activities of the chapters.
- 2- Consultation on defining and explaining specific articles of the WAAAUB by laws.
- 3- Obtain chapters' annual reports.
- 4- Conduct visits to the various chapters with one or more members of AUB Alumni Relation Offices and AUB's Development Office for encouraging social, cultural activities and most importantly fund raising activities for AUB.
- 5- Take effective steps towards encouraging Alumni to participate in all WAAAUB electoral events.
- 6- Encourage chapter to establish scholarships in their names.