Buckeyes who give their time and talent to serve on The Ohio State University Alumni Association Board of Directors connect with fellow graduates across generations and geography, all in service to their alma mater. This year, board members reached out to alumni around the world to craft a new roadmap that lays out an inspirational vision, a steadfast mission and ambitious goals for the association. Here, several directors lend insight on the thinking behind the plan. They expand these views at go.osu.edu/alumni.

**VISION**
To be the heart of the Buckeye alumni community, inspiring and cultivating engaged citizens.

“Heart is what it’s all about to me. These are not just our words, but words we were hearing from Buckeyes everywhere.”
— CATHARINE BAUMGARDNER ’84, ’86 MHA

“The language is very purposeful. The word ‘community.’ People who care about one another, who support one another, who feel connected. The word ‘cultivating.’ A reference to our agricultural roots, but also that we have a responsibility to participate with our alumni in lifelong learning.”
— BARBIE J. TOOTLE ’65, ’68 MA

**MISSION**
Through time and change, we enrich firm friendships among Buckeye alumni and The Ohio State University.

“We looked at ‘Carmen Ohio’ — words to knit into the fiber of this mission and vision.”
— THOMAS A. KOLAJA ’90, ’90

“Every one of those words is precious to me. Once you’re a Buckeye, you’re a Buckeye for life.”
— JANET PORTER ’75, ’77 MS

“Firm friendship’ reflects that feeling of family, the feeling of friends. We are all a part of Buckeye Nation.”
— KELLEY CROOKS ’78

**GOALS**
Engage alumni throughout their lifelong relationships with each other and the university.

Enrich alumni lives and the university.

Empower alumni to make a difference in their communities, careers and at the university.

Evolve to continuously add value to alumni and the university.

“Each word was so important. What we ended up with was fantastic because it really establishes heart, engagement, friendship — the enduring values that make the university and the alumni association so important to all of us.”
— STEPHEN CHAPPELEAR ’74, ’77 JD

EXPLORE THE OPPORTUNITY  Nominations for three seats on The Ohio State University Alumni Association Board of Directors will be accepted through Dec. 22. To apply for a board position, visit go.osu.edu/alumniBOD18. To nominate an active sustaining or life member, contact Lauren Stets at stets.8@osu.edu.
Alumni vote to update board constitution, bylaws

BUCKEYE GRADUATES living in 47 states, the District of Columbia and eight countries overwhelmingly approved updates to the alumni association’s constitution and bylaws.

Of the more than 1,700 votes cast this fall, 96 percent were in favor of the changes, which included transferring the association’s vision, mission and values to the board bylaws.

Jim Smith ’91 MA, president and CEO of The Ohio State University Alumni Association, said he was pleased with the results of the vote and thrilled that so many alumni took the time to ensure their voices were heard.

“Buckeye Nation never fails to impress,” he said. “By supporting the work of our Board of Directors, which did an outstanding job with these changes, our alumni sent a clear signal that they believe in the present and future of our organization.”

Kristin Watt ’86, ’89 JD led the Governance Committee during its work on the updates and recently became the board’s chair. “The board’s unanimous support in May was a meaningful first step, but our active members around the world needed to vote to make these changes happen,” she said. “Our alumni answered that call, and we’re grateful for their support.”

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OUR CORE VALUES
• Tradition. We believe in Ohio State. We cherish the university’s rich and vibrant history and work to enhance its reputation.
• Integrity. We keep our promises. Our reputation rests on honesty, fairness and treating everyone with respect.
• Service. We go the extra mile. We provide the highest levels of service to our members, growing alumni community and the university.
• Quality. We expect to be held to standards of excellence in everything we do.
• Diversity. We value diversity. We embrace inclusion in everything we do.
• Innovation. Our success depends on continuous improvement, adaptation and embracing change.

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