



**B. W. Harris Episcopal School Alumni Association-
USA, Inc.
32nd Annual Convention
July 6, 2024**

Proposed Constitutional Amendments

Pursuant to Article XIII of the Constitution and Bylaws of the B. W. Harris Episcopal School Alumni Association-USA, Inc., DC Metro Chapter member, Ernest Sumowoi Jones, has proposed the following Constitutional Amendments for action by the 32nd Annual Convention:

1. ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Current Provision

C) Graduate A graduate is defined as a person who received a high school diploma from B. W. Harris Episcopal School. Any students who was enrolled in B. W. Harris at the time they participated in a student exchange program, and graduated from high school during their student exchange period, is deemed a graduate under this Constitution and Bylaws. Only graduates may hold the positions of National Chair, First National Vice Chair of Programming and Second National Vice Chair for Membership and Public Affairs.

The proposed amendment would delete the following sentence: **“Only graduates may hold the positions of National Chair, First National Vice Chair of Programming and Second National Vice Chair for Membership and Public Affairs.”**

The proposed amendment would also add the following sentence: **“Furthermore, during the years of Civil Unrest, the coup d'etat, and wars, any student that had to leave Liberia for their safety, and attended and graduated from a high school in a foreign country, is also deemed a "graduate of acceptance" under this Constitution and Bylaws.”**

Proposed Amendment to be Voted On:

C) Graduate A graduate is defined as a person who received a high school diploma from B. W. Harris Episcopal School. Any students who was enrolled in B. W. Harris at the time they participated in a student exchange program, and graduated from high school during their student exchange period, is deemed a graduate under this Constitution and Bylaws. **Furthermore, during the years of Civil Unrest, the coup d'etat, and wars, any student that had to leave Liberia for their safety, and attended and graduated from a high school in a foreign country, is also deemed a "graduate of acceptance" under this Constitution and Bylaws**

2. ARTICLE V: THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Current Provision

D. The Executive Board shall comprise the National Officers, the President of each Chapter, two Representatives to the Executive Board from each Chapter, and former elected National Chairs of the Association. Once appointed, Assistant National Officers shall have full voice

and vote in the Executive Board in the event they are acting in place of a National Officer who is not in attendance.

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New Provision to be added to ARTICLE V: THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

L. Class Representative(s) that are not in good financial standing with their local or preferred Chapter(s) shall not have a voice and vote on the Executive Board until said dues are paid up-to-date.

If proposed amendment to ARTICLE V: THE EXECUTIVE BOARD above is approved , ARTICLE III: ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE will automatically amend.

Current Provision

The organizational structure of the Alumni Association shall consist of:

- The Convention
- The Executive Board
- The National Officers
- Chapters

The proposed Amendment will add “**Classes**”

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National Secretary

