

## **Rationale Summary of Proposed Amendments and Revisions to the CAUAA Constitution and Bylaws**

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP, SECTION 1. Paragraph C added to state the fiscal year for membership dues.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP, SECTION 2. Deletions made to simplify associate membership category and recipients of Honorary Degrees are also discussed in Section 3 of this Article. Therefore all references for honorary membership should be kept together for consistency.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP, SECTION 3. Grammatical corrections made to this section. The word College was omitted and should be added. Statements added to clarify honorary membership requirements and privileges.

ARTICLE IV MEMEBERSHIP, SECTION 4. The Section for Life Membership added because this type of membership is currently offered but was not previously outlined in the CAUAA *Constitution and Bylaws*.

ARTICLE V CHAPTERS, SECTION 2. Change to paragraph C: The Parliamentarian should determine if a chapter's or prospective chapter's bylaws conflicts with CAUAA's *Constitution and Bylaws*. Paragraph F deleted because chapters and CAUAA do not have non-profit status. Change to Paragraph G made to clarify that the Board of Directors would approve the use of the CAUAA name. Change to Paragraph I to correct that chapters are governed by their bylaws. The Corresponding Secretary should receive, maintain and report all correspondence from chapters. Language added to reflect current methods of communication.

ARTICLE VI FINANCES, SECTION 2. Changes made to clarify which members shall be assessed dues.

ARTICLE VI FINANCES, SECTION 3. Section was deleted because the activities described in this section are redundant to Article VI, Section 5 in the current Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI FINANCES, SECTION 4. Changes made to simply state that chapters are required to pay an annual affiliation fee to CAUAA.

ARTICLE VI FINANCES, SECTION 5. Addition made to reinforce the purpose and mission of CAUAA. This section is redundant to the original Section 5 and is now Section 4.

ARTICLE VI FINANCES, SECTION 6. The souvenir journal is considered a project of the CAUAA.

ARTICLE VII OFFICERS, SECTION 1. Chaplain position was omitted and should be added. The undergraduate and graduate schools are consolidated and now have one dean. Vice President of the Undergraduate and Graduate Schools are being consolidated to represent all alumni. Language added to note the position of President Emeritus and the privileges associated with this position. The honor of President Emeritus was bestowed upon the first CAUAA President when Clark College and Atlanta University consolidated.

ARTICLE VII OFFICERS, SECTION 3. Change made to allow the Board of Directors to make appointments as deemed necessary to facilitate the business of CAUAA.

ARTICLE VII OFFICERS, SECTION 4. Statements added to clarify the process to remove an officer.

ARTICLE VIII BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PARAGRAPH A, SECTION 1. Added the position of President Emeritus and the consolidated position of Vice President of the Undergraduate and Graduate Schools to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PARAGRAPH B. Additions made to clarify who are members of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IX ELECTION OF OFFICERS, SECTION 1. Statement added to limit the number of positions an officer may hold during a term. The consolidated position of Vice President for the Undergraduate and Graduate Schools will be elected in the second grouping.

ARTICLE IX ELECTION OF OFFICERS, SECTION 5. Changes made to criteria number 2 and 4 respectively to clarify that a candidate must be a member of CAUAA and financial contributor to the University for the fiscal year preceding that election cycle.

ARTICLE IX ELECTION OF OFFICERS, SECTION 6. This Section was added to establish a process for dealing with vacancies during an election cycle or during an officer's term.

ARTICLE X MEETINGS, SECTION 3. Quorum lowered to due to the size of the CAUAA membership and based on alumni attendance to these meetings.

ARTICLE IX ELECTION OF OFFICERS, SECTION 4. Changes made to Paragraph C because many chapters meet in the fall of the fiscal year and do not have much business to report and to clarify who present the Standing committee reports. Paragraphs E, F and G were deleted and added to Section 5 because the budget should be approved prior to the beginning of the year and not three to five months into the fiscal year. In addition, new committee assignments should be made prior to the start of the new fiscal year. The Board of Directors and newly elected officers should meet immediately after elections are held to facilitate officer transition prior to the upcoming fiscal year on July 1st.

ARTICLE IX ELECTION OF OFFICERS, SECTION 5. The Spring Meeting is the ideal time to present the budget for the upcoming year rather than 3-5 months in the fiscal year, to maintain continuity in the Executive Committee and to facilitate officer transition, new committee assignments and the new Board of Directors meeting should occur during the Spring Meeting when election results are reported and before new officers assume their duties on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

ARTICLE IX ELECTION OF OFFICERS, SECTION 6. This section was added to give the Board of Directors and Executive Committee flexibility to conduct meetings in a manner to facilitate the business of the CAUAA.

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 1. Statement added to facilitate the transition of the office of President to the incoming President.

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 2. Statement added to facilitate the transition of the office of President to the incoming Vice President.

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 3. Consolidated the positions of the Vice President for the Undergraduate and Graduate School into one position. Additions made to clarify the role of this office and to facilitate the transition of this office to the incoming Vice President for the Undergraduate and Graduate School.

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 4. Deleted because the position is being consolidated.

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 5. Additions made to ensure minutes are made available to the membership in a timely manner and at all Association meetings. Change made to clarify as to who shall receive the records at the end of the Recording Secretary's term. This section will now be called Section 4

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 6. Paragraph G was deleted because it is redundant to paragraph C. Grammatical corrections made. Statements added to clarify the duties of Treasurer, ensure that financial records are submitted for audit and to facilitate the transition of financial records to the incoming Treasurer. This section will now be called Section 5.

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 7. Additions made to clarify the role of Corresponding Secretary and to facilitate the transition of this office to the incoming Corresponding Secretary. This section will now be called Section 6.

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 8. Statements added to clarify the duties of the Financial Secretary, ensure that financial records are submitted for audit and the transition of financial records to the incoming Financial Secretary. This section will now be called Section 7.

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 9. . Additions made to the position of Historian to ensure that historical information pertinent to the CAUAA is collected and archived in consistent manner and those records are passed on to the incoming Historian. This section will now be called Section 8

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 10. The word bylaws was omitted and was added. The Parliamentarian provides guidance on parliamentary procedures not on legal matters. Statement added to facilitate the transition of this office to the incoming Parliamentarian. This section will now be called Section 9.

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 11. This section will now be called Section 10.

ARTICLE XI DUTIES OF OFFICERS, SECTION 11. Additions made to clarify the duties of the Alumni Representative to the Board of Trustees and to facilitate the transition of this office to the incoming Alumni Representative to the Board of Trustees. This section will now be called Section 11.

ARTICLE XII STANDING COMMITTEES. All committee descriptions moved underneath the corresponding committee name.

ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENT & PROCEDURES. Separated Parliamentary authority and procedures in Section 2 from Section 1 Amendments into separate Articles. This Article renamed Parliamentary Authority.

ARTICLE XIV AMENDMENTS & REVISIONS. Addition made to state when amendments and/or revisions to the *Constitution and Bylaws* take effect.