

Proposal #1:

Constitutional Change: (Requires 2/3rds Vote) Amend Article 15, Section A, of the AHEPA National Constitution to read:

SECTION A.

SUPREME LODGE OFFICERS

The "Supreme Lodge" of this Order shall be comprised of the following Supreme Officers: Supreme President; Supreme Vice President, who shall be a citizen of the United States; Canadian President, who shall be a citizen of Canada; Supreme Secretary; Supreme Treasurer, Supreme Counselor; and nine (9) Supreme/Regional Governors who shall be citizens of the United States except for the election Supreme/Regional Governor assigned to Region 10 who shall be a citizen or legal resident of a country within that Region. The Supreme Regional Governor for Region 10 shall be appointed. The candidate for Region 10 Supreme Governor shall be selected by the Supreme President and shall be with the advice and consent of the voting members of the Supreme Lodge.

Explanation: This proposal allows for the election of the Region 10 Supreme Governor; which encompasses District 25, District 27, the European Chapters assigned to the District 28 (this includes the Chapter in Istanbul, Turkey). Region 10 was established by the previous year's Supreme Convention. This new region's Supreme Governor will be a voting member of the Supreme Lodge. The Region 10 Supreme Governor will be selected by the Supreme President with the advise of the Supreme Lodge and have the voting consent of the voting members of the Supreme Lodge.

Proposal #2:

Bylaw Change: (Requires Majority Vote) Amend Article 8, Section C of the AHEPA Supreme Bylaw to read:

SECTION C. QUORUM FOR TRANSACTING BUSINESS

A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of nine (9) members of a Chapter, except where the Chapter has a membership of less than thirty-five (35), in which case a quorum shall consist of five (5) members of the Chapter. Five (5) members shall constitute a quorum in any Chapter for the initiation of candidates or other ritualistic work.

Business valid unless challenged: A quorum is always presumed to be present once a meeting has commenced, unless it is publicly challenged. Therefore, business that has been transacted in the unascertained absence of a quorum is legal unless challenged before other business has intervened. If challenged before other business has been taken up, the business acted on is automatically voidable.

Notwithstanding the above, quorum must be numerically established on the record before motions to dissolve or merge the chapter, or any act that would spend more than 10% or more out of the chapter treasury is made and executed.

Explanation: This is to allow chapters to conduct necessary business. The proposal incorporates language directly from Demeter's Manual of Parliamentary Procedure which the Order of AHEPA is already bound to follow.

Proposal #3:

Bylaw Change: (Requires Majority Vote) Amend Article 2, Section C, of the AHEPA Supreme Bylaws to read:

SECTION C. FEES FOR INITIATION IN THE AHEPA

The Order of AHEPA shall not charge an initiation fee to its membership. No chapter, district, or National Headquarters shall charge an initiation fee in any manner.

Explanation: This will eliminate the initiation fee for all prospective members.

Proposal #4:

Bylaw Change: (Requires Majority Vote) Amend Article 5, Section A, Paragraph 1 of the AHEPA Supreme Bylaws to read:

1. REINSTATEMENT FEE AND APPLICATION: Any member who has been suspended solely for the nonpayment of dues should be reinstated upon the payment of the current year's dues provided, however that such member shall file appropriate application with the Secretary of his Chapter, and such application shall severally be acted upon at a meeting of the Chapter by a majority vote. The Order of AHEPA shall not charge a reinstatement fee to its membership. No chapter, district, or National Headquarters shall charge a reinstatement fee in any manner.

Explanation: This will eliminate the reinstatement fee.

Proposal #5:

Bylaw Change: (Requires Majority Vote) Amend Article 3, Subsection B of the AHEPA Supreme Bylaws to read:

Every Chapter shall remit to AHEPA Headquarters at the rate of Forty Five Dollars (\$45.00) per year for each member, except for those members who have been members in good standing of the Order of AHEPA for fifty (50) years. Such fifty (50) year members will receive a life membership card. The per capita assessment payment shall be allocated as follows: to the District Lodge Two Dollars (\$2.00), the balance to the General Fund.

Explanation: The National Per Capita will increase by \$5.00 effective January 1, of the year following passage.

Proposal #6

Constitutional Change: (Requires 2/3rds Vote) Amend Article 2 of the AHEPA National Constitution to read:
ARTICLE 2

NAME AND HEADQUARTERS

The American-Hellenic Educational Progressive Association was founded in July 26, 1922 as a Georgia nonprofit corporation. This Order shall be known as The Order of AHEPA or AHEPA. The Order shall be a U.S. based organization with its Headquarters in Washington, D.C., United States of America.

Explanation: To set forth that the Order of AHEPA is a U.S. based organization headquartered in Washington, D.C.

Proposal #7

Constitutional Change: (Requires 2/3rds Vote) Amend Article 6, Section A of the AHEPA National Constitution to read:

Any male person eighteen (18) years of age and older, who is of good moral character, a believer in the existence of God and in the Divinity of Jesus Christ; who believes in and advocates the maintenance and Promulgation of the Mission, Objectives, Principles and Ideals of the Order, who is willing to subscribe by the AHEPA CONSTITUTION, the AHEPA BYLAWS and the decrees and mandates of the Supreme Conventions; to obey its authorities and revere its traditions; who is a legal resident or has declared his intention to become a citizen of the country within the AHEPA Domain that such person's Chapter is located or a U.S. citizen who is a legal resident of the country in which the person's Chapter is located, and who is able to read, write and speak either the English language or the language of the country in which the chapter is located, shall be eligible for membership in this Order.

Notwithstanding the above, the official language of the Order of AHEPA is English.

Explanation: The intent of this change is to compliment the worldwide scope of the Order of AHEPA.

Proposal #8

Constitutional Change: (Requires 2/3rds Vote) Amend Article 10, Section A and B of the AHEPA National Constitution to read:

SECTION A. REGIONS

To better coordinate AHEPA initiatives across the expansive geographic areas of the AHEPA Domain, the ten (10) Regions as outlined in Section A-1 of the AHEPA Bylaws "AHEPA LAWS, ACTS AND TRADITIONS" are established. Regional Conferences/Conventions of all the Districts and AHEPANS within a Region are encouraged. Such Regional Conferences/Conventions may have combined meetings, social events and projects; however separate District Conferences/Conventions can still be held.

SECTION B. DISTRICTS

The Chapters within the jurisdiction of this Order may be organized by the Supreme Lodge into twenty-eight (28) Districts. Each District shall bear an individual name and number. Each District shall have a minimum of three (3) active Chapters. The Chapters in a District with less than three (3) active Chapters will be assigned by the Supreme Lodge to another District or Districts. The Supreme Lodge shall fix the boundaries of each District. Except as provided above, no Chapter shall be relocated in another District without the prior consent and proper circularization of its members who shall pass upon this relocation by a two-thirds (2/3) vote at a special meeting called for that purpose (two-thirds (2/3) of those present and voting after due notice of the purpose of the meeting has been sent to the entire membership). A Canadian Chapter shall be located only within a Canadian District. The Supreme Lodge shall have jurisdiction over any money or other assets belonging to said Districts, and its decisions shall be binding on the constituent Chapters of the District and Districts affected thereby.

Membership for Chapter voting strength at the District Convention shall be determined as of December 31.

When the Supreme Lodge declares a District to have less than three (3) active chapters under its jurisdiction for one calendar year and the District has been deemed inactive or has been merged, this shall trigger a dissolution process. This declaration shall comply with any legal process, regulation, or necessary preserve an asset of any AHEPA entity. The Supreme Lodge shall initiate the following district dissolution and re-organization procedures within sixty (60) calendar days or as required by any government legal process, regulation, or law:

1. Inform the Chapters within District that the District has been deemed inactive and/or has been merged.
2. Notify all those chapters affected of their new district designation.
3. Notify the current District Governor, if any, of the inactive District of the effective date of dissolution and/or merger.
4. All funds and assets shall be transferred to the newly created district, merged district, or in the absence of either then the assets shall be transferred to the Supreme Lodge for appropriate disposition.
5. The effective date of such transfer shall be with the consent of the Supreme Lodge.
6. The Supreme Lodge shall publish those changes for consideration at the next Supreme Convention.

7. This in no way shall affect the redistricting committee of the Supreme Convention.

After a chapter is reassigned to a new District, any Past District Governor of the dissolved District who is a member in good standing shall exercise his rights and privileges as a Past District Governor in the new district.

Explanation: The intent of this change is to reflect the correct number of Regions and Districts in AHEPA.

Proposal #9

Constitutional Change: (Requires 2/3rds Vote) Amend 15, Section A of the AHEPA National Constitution to read:

ARTICLE 15

(See Bylaws Articles 16 and 17)

SUPREME LODGE

SECTION A. SUPREME LODGE OFFICERS

The "Supreme Lodge" of this Order shall be comprised of the following Supreme Officers: Supreme President; Supreme Vice President, who shall be a citizen of the United States; Canadian President, who shall be a citizen of Canada; Supreme Secretary; Supreme Treasurer, Supreme Counselor; Supreme Athletic Director, and eight (8) Supreme/ Regional Governors who shall be citizens of the United States.

Explanation: This changes the elected office of Supreme Athletic Director from a non-voting member of the Supreme Lodge to a voting member of the Supreme Lodge.

Proposal #11

Constitutional Change: (Requires 2/3rds Vote) Amend Article 20, Section A of the AHEPA National Constitution to read:

SECTION A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The office of the Executive Director shall be at AHEPA Headquarters. The day-to-day administrative matters of the Order for the entire AHEPA Domain shall be under the jurisdiction of the Executive Director, subject to directives of the Supreme Lodge. The Supreme President shall supervise the work of the Executive Director. The Supreme Lodge shall hire, fire, or appoint the Executive Director and shall supervise and manage the Executive Director. AHEPA Board of Trustees shall review and provide input to the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Convention on solely the financial and budgetary aspects of the Executive Director's salary and benefits. The Executive Director shall attend Supreme Conventions to answer questions, but he shall not be eligible to be elected or act as a Delegate or Alternate in a Supreme Convention, nor shall he be eligible during his service as Executive Director to hold any elective office in the AHEPA. A search committee consisting of two (2) representatives of the Supreme Lodge and one (1) representative of the Board of Trustees (the "Search Committee") shall establish search criteria and a process for the recruitment of future Executive Directors through a national search, including using the Hellenic media. The Search Committee shall seek the most qualified candidates and shall screen and evaluate all candidates and present its evaluation of all candidates to the Supreme Lodge so that the Supreme Lodges may make the most informed hiring decision. An Executive Director candidate shall have a complete background check performed on him before he is hired, and, in addition, the Executive Director shall submit personal financial information for a hiring evaluation and annual audit and evaluation by the Supreme Lodge.

Explanation: In light of the international scope of the Order, this change is to clarify that the Executive Director will be located at AHEPA Headquarters.

Election Summary Report
2014 AHEPA
ELECTION

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Summary For Jurisdiction Wide, All Counters, Legislative Issue 1-12
Final Results
July 25, 2014

Registered Voters 0 - Cards Cast 142 0.00%

Num. Report Precinct 10 - Num. Reporting 10 100.00%

LEG. ISSUE 1		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting	10 100.0 %	10
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		141
Times Blank Voted		1
YES	127 90.07%	
NO	14 9.93%	

LEG. ISSUE 6		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting	10 100.0 %	10
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		138
Times Blank Voted		3
YES	132 95.65%	
NO	6 4.35%	

LEG. ISSUE 2		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting	10 100.0 %	10
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		142
Times Blank Voted		0
YES	136 95.77%	
NO	6 4.23%	

LEG. ISSUE 7		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting	10 100.0 %	10
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		141
Times Blank Voted		1
YES	127 90.07%	
NO	14 9.93%	

LEG. ISSUE 3		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting	10 100.0 %	10
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		142
Times Blank Voted		0
YES	134 94.37%	
NO	8 5.63%	

LEG. ISSUE 8		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting	10 100.0 %	10
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		140
Times Blank Voted		2
YES	131 93.57%	
NO	9 6.43%	

LEG. ISSUE 4		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting	10 100.0 %	10
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		141
Times Blank Voted		1
YES	134 95.04%	
NO	7 4.96%	

LEG. ISSUE 9		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting	10 100.0 %	10
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		141
Times Blank Voted		1
YES	126 89.36%	
NO	15 10.64%	

LEG. ISSUE 5		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting	10 100.0 %	10
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		141
Times Blank Voted		1
YES	110 78.01%	
NO	31 21.99%	

LEG. ISSUE 10		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting	10 100.0 %	10
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		141
Times Blank Voted		0
YES	133 94.33%	
NO	8 5.67%	

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Registered Voters 0 - Cards Cast 142 0.00%

Num. Report Precinct 10 - Num. Reporting 10 100.00%

LEG. ISSUE 11		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting		10 100.0 %
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		138
Times Blank Voted		3
YES		131 94.93%
NO		7 5.07%

LEG. ISSUE 12		Total
Number of Precincts		10
Precincts Reporting		10 100.0 %
Times Counted		142/0
Total Votes		137
Times Blank Voted		5
YES		130 94.89%
NO		7 5.11%