



THE CONSTITUTION

OF THE

LAW STUDENTS'UNION

KINGS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

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THE CONSTITUTION

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LAW STUDENTS' UNION OF KINGS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

IN THE NAME OF THE ALMIGHTY GOD

We the members of the Law Students' Union (L.S.U) of Kings University College,

ACKNOWLEDGING that groups of people with common interests are accustomed to associate together, for the protection of their interests and the joint-pursuit of their common aims and objectives, to their mutual benefit;

DETERMINED to establish a framework by which democratic principles are strengthened and adhered among us;

COMMITTED to live by the principles of integrity, diligence and service, and to live up to the demands of; Probity and Accountability;

DO HEREBY ENACT, ADOPT AND GIVE TO OURSELVES THIS CONSTITUTION AS A FRAMEWORK FOR THE GOVERNANCE OF THE UNION.



CHAPTER ONE

SUPREMACY OF THE CONSTITUTION

- **1.** (1) This Constitution shall be the supreme law of the Union and any other law, acts, statements found to be inconsistent with any provision of this constitution shall to the extent of the inconsistency be void.
- (2) Notwithstanding clause (1) of this article, this Constitution shall be subject to the Laws of Ghana, the S.R.C Constitution, the Statute and Directives of the University.

CHAPTER TWO

NAME AND MEMBERSHIP

- **2.** (1) This organization shall be known as the LAW STUDENTS' UNION (L.S.U) hereinafter referred to as the UNION.
- (2) Every student admitted to the Faculty of Law of Kings University College shall be a member of the Union.

CHAPTER THREE

RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS

- **3.** (1) All members of the Union are entitled to all the rights and freedoms as set out in this article irrespective of race, gender, age, religion, nationality, and ethnicity provided that, in enjoying such rights, the rights of other people are not infringed upon.
- (2) The rights of members shall include the right to;
- a. this Constitution
- b. equal privilege of using the facilities and services of the Union



- c. seek information from the three (3) arms of the Union
- d. freedom of expression and opinion
- e. freedom of association
- f. report all cases of harassment, abuse and intimidation from fellow members to the officers of the Union
- g. vote and be voted for at the Union's Elections, except otherwise stated in this Constitution and subject to Electoral Guidelines
- h. petition any officer of the Union who abuses their office and power.

CHAPTER FOUR

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- **4.** (1) The Union shall be committed to:
- a) Protecting and advancing the academic and career interests of Law students;
- b) Influencing the content and structure of legal education in the University and in Ghana at large;
- c) Influencing the social role of the legal profession in the nation at large; and
- d) Encouraging its members to promote adherence to democratic principles in students' governance.
- (2) In pursuance of the aims and objectives spelt out in this article, the Union shall, acting through the Executive:
- a) Take steps to influence policy formulation and decision making on the Faculty Board, the Council for Legal Education and any institution entrusted with legal education and the training of lawyers;



- b) Promote co-operation, understanding and friendship with the Ghana Bar Association, the General Legal Council and any other body in Ghana or abroad in so far as the interests of the Union are not thereby compromised.
- c) Take any other legal steps as may further these aims and objectives.

CHAPTER FIVE

STRUCTURE OF THE UNION

- **5.** (1) There shall be the Governing Council, and the Judicial Committee of the Union.
- (2) The Governing Council shall comprise of the Executive and the Senate.

CHAPTER SIX

THE EXECUTIVE

- **6.** (1) The Executive of the Union shall comprise of:
- a) the President
- b) the Vice President
- c) the Secretary
- d) the Treasurer
- e) the Financial Secretary
- e) the Organizing Secretary
- f) the Public Relations Officer.
- (2) The Executive shall upon taking the oaths of office and allegiance set out in the Second Schedule to this Constitution, assume the duties of their various offices.



- (3) The President shall;
- a) be the Head of the Executive and shall preside over all meetings of the Union subject to Article 17
- b) be the mandatory signatory to all financial documents of the Union
- c) shall perform both executive and ceremonial functions
- d) ceremonial functions in clause (3)(c) of this Article shall mean representing the Union in all meetings internally and externally, and receiving dignitaries for and on behalf of the Union
- e) represent the Union on Faculty Board Meetings
- f) appoint the Chairperson and the members of the Judicial Committee subject to the approval of Senate.
- (4) The Vice President shall;
- a) assist the President in the performance of duties
- b) perform all other functions of the President in the absence of the President or when the President is sick or unable to perform the functions of office
- c) be the Chairperson of the Welfare Committee of the Union
- d) become President if the post becomes vacant before the expiration of tenure of the President
- (5) The Secretary shall;
- a) be the head of the Union's Secretariat
- b) take minutes of all meetings and keep records of the union



- c) perform other functions as the President or Executive shall direct
- d) compile and present report on the activities of the Union on a semester basis to the Senate. This shall be in consultation with the President and Executive.
- (6) The Treasurer shall;
- a) keep proper account of the Union's money
- b) make bank lodgment for every receipt and maintain cashbooks for the Union's funds
- c) subject to the above provisions, such lodgment shall be made within seven days of receipt of such money
- d) aid the financial secretary to render quarterly financial report to the general congress
- e) make disbursements of the union's fund subject to the approval and endorsement of the President.
- f) perform other functions as conferred by the constitution
- (7) The Financial Secretary shall;
- a) keep the finance book of the Union and record all monies accruing to the association
- b) record all the Association's expenditure as approved by the President
- c) assist the Treasurer to prepare the financial report of the Union.
- d) surrender all financial books to the Auditors as may be required from time to time and shall give the necessary cooperation.
- e) release the name of Students who owe the Union at the end of each semester.



- (8) The Organizing Secretary shall;
- a) be the head of the Planning Committee of the Union
- b) be the organizer of all functions and events of the Union
- c) shall educate members on how to access social media platforms
- d) shall assist on other duties such as; union journals and other publications
- c) shall perform any other duty incidental to his office or as may be assigned to him by the President or the Executive.
- (9) The Public Relations Officer shall;
- a) be the official Spokesperson of the Union
- b) be responsible for all communication and awareness creation of the programmes of the Union
- c) at all times make available, information to the student body
- d) be the liaison officer for all sub-committees.
- e) perform other duties assigned by the President or the Executive.

CHAPTER SEVEN

FUNCTIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

- **7.** (1) Subject to the provisions of this Constitution, the Executive power of the Union is vested in the Executive.
- (2) The Executive shall;



- a) formulate policies and programs of activity, implement the policies and programs so formulated, and generally pursue the aims and objectives of the Union, subject to clause (2)(b) of this article
- b) present its policies, programs and proposals to the Senate for advice before implementation
- c) present its budget to the Senate for ratification within the first two weeks of every first semester
- d) be jointly and severally accountable to the Union for the financial management of the Union.
- e) present to the Union, report on the previous year's activities and an audited account for the period; and shall hand over to the in-coming Executives, at a general meeting convened for that purpose.
- (3) The President and Treasurer shall be the signatories to the Bank Account of the Union and sign all financial documents of the Union.
- (4) The Executive shall have the power to appoint a member of the Union as their Legal affairs commissioner subject to the approval of Senate.
- (5) The Legal Advisor so appointed shall;
- a) not become part of the Executive
- b) provide legal advice to the Executive as may be required from time to time
- c) be responsible for the initiation and conduct of all actions on behalf of the Executive
- d) cease to hold office when a motion for removal has been passed and approved by the votes of two-third majority of members of the Senate or if such a person resigns his post
- e) be removed in the same manner as a member of the Judicial Committee.



CHAPTER EIGHT

THE SENATE

- **8.** (1) There shall be a Senate of the Union, consisting of two (2) elected representatives from each class or year group with their tenure of office being concurrent with that of the President.
- (2) The members of the Senate shall be elected by their respective classes by a majority decision and shall take and subscribe before the Chairperson and in the presence of the members of Senate, the oath of office and allegiance set out in the Second Schedule to this Constitution.
- (3) There shall be a Chairperson of the Senate who shall preside over all Senate and Governing Council meetings.
- (4) There shall be a Deputy Chairperson of the Senate who shall preside over Senate and Governing Council meetings in the absence of the Chairperson. However, where the Chairperson and Deputy are absent, the Senate shall elect one of its Senior Members to act as Senate Chairperson.
- (5) The Chairperson of Senate shall be appointed by the President and must be at least a third year student in the Faculty of Law
- (6) The Chairperson of Senate shall have neither an original nor casting vote in both Senate and Governing Council meetings.
- (7) The Senate Chairperson shall on the first sitting conduct an in-house election to elect the Deputy, Clerk and Chief Whip of the Senate. The election shall be by a simple majority of members present at a sitting called for this purpose.
- (8) The Clerk shall;
- a) receive all proposed motions of the Senate, forward same to the Senate Chairperson within 48 hours and make public resolutions of the Senate within 48 hours from the day such resolution is passed.



- b) be responsible for the maintenance of peace and order in the Senate and bring to the notice of the Senate Chairperson any transgression of the Standing Orders or any other matter that might obstruct the meeting of the Senate.
- c) perform any other function as may be assigned by the Senate Chairperson.
- (9) For any meeting of the Senate, a two third majority of the total members of the Senators shall form a quorum.
- (10) No motion shall be passed into law unless by a two third majority of the total members of the Senators.
- (11) The Senate shall have powers to;
- a) approve the budget and other decisions of the Executive
- b) approve the appointment of any Member to any Committee of the Union
- c) appoint sub-committees under its jurisdiction
- d) adopt, repeal or amend Standing Orders
- e) declare vacant the seat of a member of Senate who is absent for three consecutive meetings, without notice to the Senate Chairperson
- f) perform such other duties as may be conferred on it by other sections of this Constitution
- g) hold a special sitting to approve the budget of Union to be presented to it by the Executive.

CHAPTER NINE

FUNCTIONS OF THE SENATE

9. (1) The Senate shall scrutinize, discuss and approve the policies, programs, budgets and proposals, to be presented by the Executive of the Union.



- (2) The Senate shall appoint a three (3) member committee to constitute the audit committee as provided in article 21 of this constitution to audit the accounts of the Union and the report of the board shall be presented to the Senate for discussion, and appropriate action be taken (if need be) before the handing-over ceremony.
- (3) The Senate shall have power to see to the implementation of the recommendations of the Audit Board.
- (4) The members of Senate shall update the various classes they represent on the proceedings of the Union within three (3) working days after every Senate or Governing Council meeting.

CHAPTER TEN

THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

- **10**. (1) There shall be an independent Judicial Committee of the Union consisting of three members.
- a) Subject to clause (1) of this article, two of the members shall be persons in the final year and one member must have spent at least a year.
- b) The Chairperson of the Judicial Committee shall be referred to as the Chief Justice and other members as Justices.
- c) The Chairperson shall be in the final year.
- d) The Chairperson and other members of the committee shall be appointed by the President upon assumption of the office of the Presidency, subject to the approval of the Senate.
- e) The tenure of office of the members of the committee shall be co-terminus with that of the Executive.
- (2) Any person appointed as member of the Committee shall possess a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 2.5
- (3) The Judicial Committee shall be responsible for;



- a) all disciplinary matters at student level
- b) all matters relating to Article 19 of this Constitution
- c) matters relating to electoral disputes
- d) all other matters that an injustice has been done by any person performing a function under the authority of this constitution
- (4) The Judicial Committee shall have the power to declare all actions found to be inconsistent with the provisions of this constitution void and without effect whatsoever and shall prescribe appropriate sanctions even to the extent of expulsion from the membership of the Union.
- (5) Any member of the Union or committee or group summoned before the Judicial Committee shall;
- a) have the right to an attorney
- b) be appropriately dressed.
- (6) The Chief Justice shall constitute the member of the Judicial Committee to sit on a matter brought before it.
- (7) An appeal to the Judicial Committee shall constitute the full bench of the Committee.
- (8) The Judicial Committee shall have jurisdiction in all matters that are within and affect the Union and its membership.
- (9) There shall be a Court Clerk who shall be appointed by the Judicial Committee to carry out Secretarial and Administrative functions including the receipt of writs or petitions to the Committee.
- (10) A member of the Judicial Committee shall not be removed from office except for stated misbehaviour or incompetence or on grounds of inability to perform the functions of the office arising from infirmity of body or mind.
- (11) Subject to article 3(2)(h) of this Constitution, a member of the Judicial Committee may be removed by a two-third majority of the members of Senate.



- (12) Conventional court procedures shall be followed in the adjudication of cases.
- (13) Notwithstanding clause (12) of this article, the Judicial Committee shall have the power to enact laws for the regulation of court processes.
- (14) Any party to a suit before the Committee shall have the right to object to a Justice of the panel, if such a person can show reasonable grounds for believing that the member so challenged is likely to be biased in the handling of the matter.

CHAPTER ELEVEN

ELECTIONS

- 11. (1) There shall be an independent Electoral Commission of the Union
- (2) The Electoral commission shall be headed by a Chairperson and two Deputies who shall be appointed by the President subject to approval of Senate to organize and supervise elections to the various elective positions and referenda.
- (3) The Electoral Commissioner shall have power, subject to the provisions of this Constitution, to make regulations for the conduct of elections and referenda subject to the approval of Senate.
- (4) Voting and election shall be restricted to members of the Union.
- (5) The Executive shall be elected at least two weeks prior to the handing-over ceremony.
- (6) The election shall be carried out by secret ballot; whoever wins the overall majority of votes for each post shall be declared elected, and there shall be a re-election in case of a tie among those who tied, within seven days.
- (7) There shall be a Vetting committee of the Union consisting of five members who shall be appointed by the President to include the Dean of Student and the Head of Department.
- (8) Rules of vetting shall be drawn by the Senate.
- (9) Manifesto readings by candidates for selected positions shall be compulsory.



- (10) An aspiring President shall have a running mate (Vice) before filing nomination and they shall be vetted together.
- (11) Election petition shall be filed not later than seven days after elections.

CHAPTER TWELVE

ELIGIBILITY FOR ELECTIONS

- **12**. (1) Every member of LSU shall be eligible to serve as an elected or appointed officer provided the aspirant have shown sufficient interest in the activities of LSU. Such aspirant is taken to have shown sufficient interest if he has;
 - a) Made all his financial obligations as they fall due and should not have defaulted in any respect.
 - b) Been in reasonable constant attendance of all L.S.U functions including meetings, Moot court competitions, Law week or other functions organized by the union and must not have been adjudged guilty of any misconduct or improper conduct.
- 2. For a person to be eligible to contest for any office, such an aspirant must have scored a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.0 during the preceding Academic semester.
- 13. (1) For a person to be eligible to contest as the President, the person must;
 - a. be a person proceeding to the final year.
 - b. have attained a CGPA of not less than 3.0
 - c. have no records of being found guilty for examination malpractice and violation of the school rules.
 - d. have paid all LSU dues in the preceding academic semesters
 - e. have been involved/present in all law student activities
- (2) For a person to be eligible to contest as the Vice President, the person must;



- a. have completed at least one academic year
- b. have attained a CGPA of not less than 2.5
- c. have no records of being found guilty for examination malpractice and violation of the school rules.
- d. have paid all LSU dues in the preceding academic semesters.
- e. have been involved/present in all law student activities.
- (3) Members with at least one academic year and a CGPA of at least 2.0 shall be eligible to stand for the position of Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Organizing Secretary and Public Relations Officer of the Union. They must also satisfy the requirements as provided in clause (2) (c), (d) and (e) of article 2.
- (4) In any event where any of the position in clause (3) was not contested for, the President on assuming office shall appoint a member to occupy such position.
- (a) Such a member must satisfy the requirements for eligibility of that position and shall be vetted by the Senate.
- (b) Such a member qualifies to take the position until and unless he is approved by the Senate.

CHAPTER THIRTEEN

REMOVAL AND RESIGNATION FROM OFFICE

GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL

14. (1) Any member of the Executive shall be removed from office if found in accordance with the provisions of this Constitution to;



- a) have acted in violation of the Oath of allegiance or Oath of office set out in the Second Schedule, or in violation of any provision of this Constitution
- b) have conducted himself or herself in a manner which brings or is likely to bring or has brought the high office of the Executive into disrepute, ridicule or contempt; or prejudicial or inimical to the interests of the Union.
- c) to be incapable of performing the functions of his office by reason of infirmity of body or mind;
- d) to have embezzled funds or recklessly handled the finances of the Union, or
- e) to be inefficient or negligent in the discharge of his duties.
- (2) Any such member of the Executive shall be removed from office by a majority vote of the Union at an emergency general meeting called for that purpose
- (3) Such emergency meeting shall be conveyed by any member of the Union to whom a petition signed by at least one-third of all members of the Union equally represented by members of all year groups and previously published at the notice board is presented.
- (4) Subject to the provisions of this article, such emergency meeting shall be presided over by the Chairperson of Senate
- (5) A class or year Group shall have power to withdraw or remove any or its entire representatives from the Senate, provided that such exercise shall be effected by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the class.

RESIGNATION

(6) Any member of the Executive may by writing signed by him, and addressed to the Governing Council, with copies put up on various Notice Boards at the Faculty of Law, resign from office. Such resignation shall not be valid unless a fourteen (14) – day notice is given.



- (7) Any member of Senate may by writing, signed by him or her, addressed to their respective class and to the Governing Council, resign from office. Such resignation shall not be valid unless a 14-day notice is given.
- (8) In the event of any such removal from office or any resignation, election or appointment shall be held subject to Article 13(6) within seven (7) working days in the case of the Executive, and Five (5) working days in the case of the Senate, and the replacement officer or officers shall serve for only such part of the removed officers term of office as remains to be served.

CHAPTER FOURTEEN

FINANCE

- **15**. (1) The Union shall open and operate a MOMO and Bank Account with any of the Banking Institutions
- (2) All members of the union shall pay annual membership dues, which shall be determined by the Executive, subject to the approval of the Senate.
- (3) The Union shall employ other reasonable and reliable means of generating income.
- (4) Any income, from whatever source, shall be paid into the Union's Bank Account.

CHAPTER FIFTEEN

PATRONS

- **16.** (1) There shall be at least one Patron of the Union, appointed by the President in consultation with the Executive board.
- (2) The Patron(s) of the Union shall be prominent persons of good reputation and positive influence subject to their acceptance as patron of the union
- (3) All patrons shall hold their appointment for one academic year.



CHAPTER SIXTEEN

MEETINGS

- **17.** (1) The President shall convene and preside over all Executive and General Meetings of the Union, and in his absence, the Vice-President shall convene and preside over such meetings.
- (2) There shall be two General Meetings of the Union at the beginning and end of every Semester.
- (3) The dates for the meeting in clause (2) of this article shall be determined by the Executive within the first twenty one days of every semester
- (5) The Chairperson of the Senate shall convene meetings of the Governing Council at such times and intervals as may be necessary, provided that there shall be at least two (2) meetings each semester
- (6) For Governing Council meetings, the quorum shall be fifty percent, and decisions shall be taken in matters involving disbursement of money, by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present, and in all other matters by a simple majority.
- (7) Emergency Meetings shall be convened by the Executive as and when necessary.

CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

COMMITTEES

THE ETHICAL COMMITTEE

- **18.** (1) Subject to the provision of this constitution, there shall be for LSU an ethical Committee comprising five (5) members who shall be appointed by the Executive Council.
- (2) The chairperson shall come from the final year class.



- (3) The ethical committee shall be responsible for the enforcement of discipline and proper dressing among students in the faculty of Law subject to the laws made by the constitution or the Senate.
- (4) Proper dressing shall be so interpreted by the ethical committee in accordance with the provisions of this constitution.

THE WELFARE COMMITTEE

- **19** (1) There shall be a Welfare Committee of the Union, consisting of a Chairperson assisted by a Deputy as well as three (3) other members to be appointed by the Executive Council with their tenure of office being concurrent with that of the President.
- (2) The functions of the Welfare Committee shall be:
- a) to promote and protect the welfare of members of the Union
- b) to maintain and keep proper account of monies contributed and received for the welfare of members of the Union
- c) perform any other functions in line with the welfare of the members of the Union as may be assigned by the Executive and Governing Council.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

- 20. (1) a social committee comprising not more than seven (7) members
- (2) It shall be chaired by the Organizing Secretary
- (3) The President shall appoint members of the Social Committee on the recommendation of the Organizing Secretary subject to the approval of the Senate when practicable.
- (4) The Committee shall organize LSU orientation, the Law Week including Law dinner, and other social activities as may from time to time be deemed necessary.



THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

- **21.** (1) Subject to the provisions of this constitution, there shall be for the Union an audit committee to be appointed by the Governing Council.
- (2) The committee shall audit all accounts and financial records of the Union.
- (3) The financial secretary shall surrender all financial records and accounts to the Committee, which shall audit same and submit its report at the General meeting at the end of the semester.
- (4) The committee shall have the power to summon, compel any or person(s) to produce any document and/or give any information relevant to the Inquiry before the Committee.
- (5) The approved audit report shall be sent to the Dean of the Faculty, the President of the Union and the Financial Secretary.
- (6) The Committee shall have power to recommend to the Faculty Board Disciplinary action against any officer found guilty of misappropriation of funds.

CHAPTER EIGHTEEN

MOOTING AND MOOT COURT CLUB

- **22.** (1) There shall be a Moot Court Club of the Union which shall constitute the leaders of all chambers on campus.
- (2) There shall be a Chairperson of the Moot Court Club assisted by a Deputy, both of whom shall be appointed by the President from among members of the Moot Court Club subject to the approval of Senate.
- (3)The Moot Court Club shall be in charge of all matters concerning mooting activities of the Union, conducted both internally and externally.
- (4) The Moot Court Club shall keep a register of its members.



- (5) The Chairperson and Deputy may appoint any member of the club to help assist in the activities of the Club.
- (6) The Chairperson shall have power, subject to the provisions of this constitution, to make regulations for the effective running of the Moot Court Club.
- (7) Moot competitions shall be organized at least two times in an academic year

CHAPTER NINETEEN

FACULTY WEEK CELEBRATION

- **23.** (1) There shall be an annual faculty week celebration to be held in the 2nd semester of every academic calendar.
- (2) The Executive shall set the date for the celebration and appoint a five (5) member planning committee
- (3) The organizing secretary shall be the head of the planning committee
- (4) The planning committee shall seek funding from both internal and external sources for the purpose of this celebration.
- (5) The planning committee shall draw up the program for the week celebration
- (6) The planning committee in drawing up the program for the celebration of the week shall reach out to the alumini of the faculty for home coming.

CHAPTER TWENTY

PUBLICATIONS

24. (1) A copy of this Constitution together with such other documents as the Governing Council may determine shall be filed and kept always at an openly accessible place at the Faculty of Law Library.



- (2) Another copy of the Constitution shall be kept in the custody of the Dean of the Faculty of Law, Kings University College
- (3) Subject to the availability of funds and other necessary materials, there shall be a magazine or journal of the Union. An Editorial Board for this purpose shall be appointed by the President

CHAPTER TWENTY ONE

HANDING OVER NOTE

- **25.** (1) Every Officer, on leaving office must submit four(4) copies of a handing over note two weeks before leaving office and to be distributed as follows;
- One to Sole Administrator
- One to the Senate
- One to the succeeding officer.
- A handing over note file shall be created under the President's Office.
- (2) Any officer who fails to comply with the foregoing section shall be denied the Certificate of Merit/Service until he complies with the provision.
- (3) Subject to the foregoing provision, no certificate of merit shall be awarded to any of the executives unless and until the member involved has been audited and not found wanting in his duty.

CHAPTER TWENTY TWO

INTERPRETATION

26. (1) All matters relating to the interpretation and enforcement of any provision of this Constitution shall be referred to the Judicial Committee of the Union.



(2) The decision of the panel shall be binding on all parties subject to an appeal to the full bench of the Judicial Committee.

Formal dressing means strictly the following;

For Male: A white Shirt, a black trouser and preferably a black Tie or a Black Suit. A Black shoe (not canvas, snickers or trainers) with Black Socks.

For Female: A white Shirt and black skirt that must not be above the Knee level or a black suit or black ladies dress and black shoes are to be worn. There should be no embroidery and trimming of any top (Sleeveless, and only moderate Jewelry (earrings and watches)

Class means, a year group

Full bench means, all members of the judicial committee including the Chief Justice.

Financial document include; cheques, invoices and any other document that involve money transactions.

CHAPTER TWENTY THREE

AMENDMENTS

- **27.** (1) This constitution is subject to amendment which shall be by a motion in writing submitted by a bona-fide member of LSU and supported by at least ten (10) other members.
- (2) The motion shall thereafter be submitted to the secretary of the Association who shall cause same to be published at least one week before the meeting of the general congress during which the motion will be declared.
- (3) The motion for amendment shall be supported by 2/3 majority of the members present in a properly constituted general congress.
- (4) Where the above provision has been complied with, a seven (7) man constitution amendment committee shall be set up



- (a) Such a committee shall be a Senate Committee
- (b) A signatory to the motion for amendment shall not serve in the constitution amendment committee
- (5) In case of such motion emanating from a member of the senate, the signatories shall be non-members of the Senate
- (6) Notice of the amendment shall be properly gazzeted by the Secretary of the Senate.





THE FIRST SCHEDULE

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

PART I – THE EXECUTIVE

1. Notwithstanding anything in this Constitution, the person duly elected as an Executive of the Union under the law in force immediately before the coming into force of this Constitution shall be taken to have been duly elected for the purposes of this Constitution and assume office as such on the date of the coming into force of this Constitution.

PART II – THE SENATE

2. Notwithstanding anything in this Constitution, a person duly elected as a member of the Senate of the Union under the law in force immediately before the coming into force of this Constitution shall be taken to have been duly elected for the purposes of this Constitution and assume office as such on the date of the coming into force of this Constitution.

PART III- MISCELLANEOUS

1. Any person who held or acted in or required under the law in force to vacate an office in existence immediately before the coming into force of this Constitution shall be deemed to have been appointed as far as is consistent with the provisions of this Constitution to hold or act in an equivalent office under this Constitution or vacate that office.

THE SECOND SCHEDULE

THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I	having been elected/ appointed to the office
of	
shall	bear true faith and allegiance to the Union, uphold, preserve, protect and defend the
Cons	titution, and to expose with faithful vigor any act or any other matter that would undermine
this (Constitution and the interests of the Union

(To be administered by the President before the Governing Council).



THE OATH OF OFFICE

(To be administered by the Chief Justice in the presence of the members of the Union)





DRAFTERS

- 1. OPARA, CHIDI CLEMENT
- 2. KHALIFA, MUHAMMAD
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