



## **Amendments to the NMH Alumni Association Constitution To be voted at the June 4 Annual Meeting**

### **Background:**

The following four constitutional amendments are submitted for a vote by the NMH Alumni Association at its Annual Meeting on June 4, 2022. These amendments bring the Constitution into alignment with the Alumni Association bylaws as approved by the Council's Executive Committee and the Alumni Council. The first amendment addresses an operational issue the Council encountered in 2020 during the pandemic when the Annual Meeting had to be held virtually and the lack of a quorum prevented Association business from being conducted. The following three amendments remove reference in the Constitution to the non-existent Communications Committee. **New text is in red**; deleted text is ~~struck through~~.

**Amendment #1. The following amendment lowers the quorum threshold for an electronic Annual Meeting so that the Association's business may take place if there are fewer than 200 members participating, as occurred in 2021. It brings the Constitution into alignment with the Alumni Association bylaws.**

### ***Article III, Section 4. Quorum.***

At any meeting of the Association's members, 200 voting members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. **In the event that the Annual Meeting is held electronically due to extraordinary circumstances relating to public health and safety as determined by the Alumni Council, no fewer than 100 voting members shall constitute a quorum.** An act of a majority of the voting members present at any Annual Meeting shall be the act of the Association's members, **except when the vote is taken to amend the constitution in which case a two-thirds majority of voting members is required.** At a meeting of the Association's members, a member may vote in person, but not by proxy.

**Amendments #2, #3, and #4. The following three amendments delete references to the now non-existent Communications Committee as a committee in the Alumni Council.**

### ***Article V, Governance.***

Section 1. Alumni Council. The management of the Association shall be vested in the Alumni Council ("Council"). The Council shall be composed of the following individuals: the President; the Vice President(s); the Secretary; the members of the Area Clubs Committee; the members of the Awards Committee; the members of the Advancement Committee; ~~the members of the Communications Committee~~; the members of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee; the members of the Nominating Committee; the members of the Reunion Advisory Committee; the members of the Strategic Advisory Committee; and members of the Young Alumni Committee; and the School's alumni director.

***Article VI. Committees.***

Section 1. Standing Committees. The association shall have the following committees: the Area Clubs Committee; the Awards Committee; the Advancement Committee; ~~the Communications Committee~~; the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee; the Executive Committee; the Nominating Committee; the Reunion Advisory Committee; the Strategic Advisory Committee; and the Young Alumni Committee.

Section 2. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the following individuals: the President; the Vice President(s); the Secretary; the chair of the Area Clubs Committee; the chair of the Awards Committee; the chair of the Advancement Committee; ~~the chair of the Communications Committee~~; the chair of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee; the chair of the Nominating Committee; the chair of the Reunion Advisory Committee; the chair of the Strategic Advisory committee; and the chair of the Young Alumni Committee.