**Texas Forensic Association Constitutional Amendment Form**

***The following must be provided before your proposal will be accepted by the Executive Committee.***

**Name:** Constitution Committee
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**Rationale for Amendment:** The TFA Constitution defines the membership fees and many membership limitations for retired coaches, administrators, college students, spouses, and out-of-state coaches or out of state institutions, but is silent on the status of these “persons friendly to the organization” when it comes to TFA Business Meeting voting and eligibility for elected office. This amendment aims to clarify that for such persons to be eligible for elected office and vote in the TFA business meeting, they must pay full TFA membership dues.

 **Section of the Constitution where Change occurs:**

**\_\_X\_\_ Constitution**

\_\_\_\_\_ ByLaws

\_\_\_\_\_ Code of Professional Standards

\_\_\_\_\_Standing Rules: Competition Event Guide

\_\_\_\_\_Standing Rules: IQT Operations Manual

\_\_\_\_\_ Standing Rules: State Tournament Operations Manual

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**Select One of the Following: X Add Language 􏰀 Delete Language 􏰀 Amend Language**

**Implementation Time Frame: Immediately Upon Passage**

**Proposed Change(s)** *(List the change/add here. Changes should include any language you are replacing from the existing constitution along with the proposed new language.)*

After the words, “upon payment of a $5.00 annual fee.”, add, “Individual persons friendly to the organization (not institutions) may vote in the TFA Business meeting and run for elected TFA office, provided that they pay full TFA membership dues.”