

DISTRICT 19-B LIONS INTERNATIONAL CONSTITUTION

Article I - Name and Territorial Limits

Section 1: This organization shall be known as District Number 19-B of Lions Clubs International.

Section 2: The territorial limits of this District shall be those set forth by Multiple District 19 and accepted by Lions Clubs International.

Section 3: This District shall be divided into Zones as designated by the By-Laws of Multiple District 19.

Article II - Objects

Section 1: The objects of this District shall be:

A: To Serve within the District, and through the clubs of the District, the attainment of the objects of Lions Clubs International as set forth in the Constitution and By-Laws thereof and also those of Multiple District 19 as set forth in their constitution and By-Laws.

B. To increase the Fellowship and Cooperative Efforts of the Clubs within the District.

C: To cooperate with Lions Clubs International in organizing new clubs, and in educating and strengthening all clubs within the District.

D. To promote the participation of the clubs in the District in general objectives, programs and policies of the District, Multiple District and Lions Clubs International.

Article III - Membership

Section 1: The membership of this District shall consist of every chartered Lions Club meeting within the territorial limits of the District which is in good standing with the Multiple District and Lions Clubs International in accordance with their Constitution and By-Laws.

Article IV - Officers

Section 1: The officers of this District shall be the District Governor, the Immediate Past District Governor, the Vice District Governor, District Secretary/Treasurer, the Zone Chair of each Zone within the District, and the Immediate Past Zone Chair of each zone within the District.

Section 2: The District Governor shall be elected in accordance with the rules and qualifications as set forth in the Multiple district and Lions Clubs International Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 3: The Vice District Governor shall be elected in accordance with the same rules and qualifications as the District Governor.

Section 4: The Zone Chair shall be elected in accordance with the Multiple District Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 5: The officers of this District shall take office at the close of the Annual Convention of Lions Clubs International next succeeding their election and shall serve for a period of one year or until their successor shall be duly elected and commences the duties of the office.

Section 6: In the event of a vacancy in the office of District Governor or Zone Chair, the vacancy shall be filled in accordance with the constitution and By-Laws of the Multiple District.

Section 7: In the event of a vacancy in the office of Vice District Governor, the vacancy shall be filled in the like manner as a vacancy in the office of District Governor except that no approval by the President and/or Board of Directors of Lions Clubs shall be required.

Article V - District Cabinet

Section 1: The voting members of the District Cabinet shall consist of the officers of the District per Article IV, Section 1, and those Committee and Chairs as designated by the District Governor.

Section 2: The District Cabinet shall operate as an Advisory Council to the District Governor.

Section 3: A report of the district Cabinet recommendations shall be made at the Annual District Conference.

Section 4: The District Cabinet shall meet at least three times a year, one of which shall be in connection with the District Annual Conference.

Section 5: The District shall not have the power to incur any indebtedness.

Section 6: Any action of the District Cabinet shall not be binding upon succeeding District Cabinets except for Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 7: A majority of the District Cabinet shall constitute a quorum.

Section 8: District 19-B will annually have two Youth Exchange Chairs, one Chair for the north (Zones 1, 3 and 6), and one for the south (Zones 2, 4 and 5) serving cooperatively. Each of these chairs would hold a two-year term on a staggered year basis, with the most senior chair serving as overall chair and the junior chair serving in the training position leading to overall committee chair during his/her second year in office.

The design concept would have the District Governor appoint one Youth

Exchange Chair during his/her term to fill the new

vacancy, north or south, and the person appointed would serve in a training capacity before assuming the overall chairmanship for the District.

Article VI - District Conference

Section 1: An annual Conference shall be held each year in this District.

Section 2: Each Club and each Officer of the District shall be notified by mail at least 30 days prior to the conference as to Date, Time, Place and Program of the Conference.

Section 3: The district Governor shall be the presiding Officer of the Conference.

Section 4: All voting shall be in accordance with the rules as set forth in the Multiple District Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 5: Delegates in attendance at the Conference representing more than one half of the clubs in the District shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of District Business.

Section 6: The District Secretary shall make a written report of the conference within 60 days to all Clubs and Officers of the District.

Article VII - Amendments

Section 1: This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates at the Annual Conference, amendments adopted become effective at the end of the District Conference.

Section 2: Amendments must be certified by at least one club with the President and Secretary signing that the Club has taken this action.

Section 3: Amendments must be submitted to the District Governor 60 days prior to the Conference and copies of the

proposal must be submitted to each club prior to the Conference.

Section 2: Registration fees for Lions, Lioness and Leo Club members shall be approved by the District Governor.

BY-LAWS

Article I - Election of Officers

Section 1: The election of Officers shall be held in accordance with the Rules as set forth in the Multiple District By-Laws.

Article II - Duties of Officers

Section 1: The duties of the District Governor and Zone Chairs shall be described in the Multiple District By-Laws.

Section 2: The District Governor shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the District Cabinet.

Section 3: The District Governor shall appoint any other committees that are deemed necessary.

Section 4: The District Governor shall appoint the committees required by Lions Clubs International and Multiple District 19.

Section 5: The duties of the Vice District Governor shall be to assist the District Governor in the performance of his/her duties and familiarize himself/herself with the duties of the District Governor, so that he/she is capable of discharging the duties of the Governor if called upon by the Governor to do so, subject to the supervision, direction and control of the District Governor.

Article III - Conference Financing

Section 1: The District Cabinet shall have the right to determine how the Conference will be financed.

Article IV - Conference Procedures

Section 1: The program prepared by the District Governor shall be the Order of the Day.

Section 2: The program shall provide time for District Foundation reports and delegates elections if required.

Section 3: All Resolutions for the Conference to consider shall be submitted to the District Governor at least one week prior to the Conference.

Section 4: Roberts Rules of Order shall prevail unless other action is specified by these By-Laws.

Article V - Zones

Section 1: All rules governing Zones shall be prescribed in the Multiple District By-Laws.

Article VI - Amendments

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