The International Association of LionsClubs

DISTRICT 306C1 SRILANKA



CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Up dated with International amendments

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Lions Clubs International

PURPOSES

TO ORGANIZE,*charter and supervise service clubs to be knows as Lionsclubs.*

TO COORDINATE the activities and standardize the administration of Lions clubs.

TO CREATE and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of theworld.

TO PROMOTE*the principles of good government and goodcitizenship.*

TO TAKE*an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare ofthe community.*

TO UNITE*the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.*

TO PROVIDEa forum for the open discussion of all matters of publicinterest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by clubmembers.

TO ENCOURAGEservice-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and privateendeavors.

VISION STATEMENT

TO BEthe global leader in community and humanitarianservice.

MISSION STATEMENT

TO EMPOWERvolunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarianneeds, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lionsclubs.

ARTICLE I

Name

District and shall be Known as District 306C1 (Herein after refered to as "The District "and Shall be a Sub- District of Multiple District 306, Sri Lanka of the International Association of Lions Clubs.(herein after refered to as "Lions Clubs International.")

ARTICLE II Purposes

The purposes of this district shall be:

- (a) To provide an administrative structure with which to advance the Purposes of Lions Clubs International in this district.
- (b) To create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.
- (c) To promote the principles of good government and good citizenship.
- (d) To take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.
- (e) To unite the members in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.
- (f) To provide a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.
- (g) To encourage service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors.

ARTICLE III Membership

Section 1. **ELIGIBILITY FOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP**. Subject to the provisions of Article I of the by-laws, any person of legal majority and good moral character and good reputation in his/her community, may be granted membership in this Lions club. Wherever the male gender or pronoun presently appear in this constitution and by-laws, it shall be interpreted to mean both male and female persons. The Members of this organization shall be all Lions clubs duly organized and chartered by Lions Clubs International within the territory of the District as hereinafter defined

- (a) Colombo City Colombo Central Electorate comprises the Municipal Wards of Fort(area south of fort Railway Station and West Canal) , wekanda, Hunupitiy and Suduwella.
- (b) Colonbo City Borella Electorate; Comprises the Municipal Wards of Dematagoda, Wanathamulla(Area east of Baseline Road)Borella North(Area east of Baseline Road) and Borella South(Area south of Baseline Road) and Cinnamon Gardens.
- (c)Rest of Colombo District Portion North of the Divisional Secretary Division of Kotikawatta, Mulleriyawa Southof Colombo AvissawellaLow Level Road.

- (d) Portion North of the Divisional Secretary Division of Kaduwela, South of Colombo Avissawella Low Level Road and North of the High Level Road.
- (e) Portion North of the Divisional Secretary Division of Homagama, South of Colombo Avissawella Low Level Road and North of the High Level Road.
- (f) Portion North of the Divisional Secretary Division of Hanwella, South of Colombo
- (g) Avissawella Low Level Road and North of the High Level Road upto Meepe. Waga Welikanne Thummodara LabugamaRoad and Railway.
- (h) Kegalle District Portion East of the Avissawella Karawanella Ruwanwella Galigamuwa Highway and South of Galigamuwa Kegalle Mawanella Highway.
- (i) All of Kandy, Matale, Polonnaruwa and Trincomalee Districts.

ARTICLE IV – Emblem, Colors, Slogan and Motto

Section 1. EMBLEM. The emblem of this association and each chartered club shall be of a design as follows:

Section 2. USE OF NAME AND EMBLEM. Use of the name, goodwill, emblem and other logos of the association shall be according to the guidelines established from time to time in the by-laws.

Section 3. COLORS. The colors of this association and of each chartered club shall be purple and gold.

Section 4. SLOGAN. Its Slogan shall be: Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety. Section 5. MOTTO. Its Motto shall be: We Serve.

ARTICLE V Supremacy

The Standard Form District Constitution and By-Laws shall govern the district unless otherwise amended so as not to conflict with the Multiple District and International Constitution & ByLaws and policies of Lions Clubs International. Whenever there may exist a conflict or a contradiction between the provisions set out in the district constitution and by-laws and the multiple district constitution and by-laws shall govern. Whenever there may exist a conflict or a contradiction between the provisions set out in the district constitution and by-laws and the International Constitution and By-Laws, then the International Constitution and By-Laws shall govern

ARTICLE VI Officers and District Cabinet

Section 1. OFFICERS. The officers of this district shall be the district governor, the immediate past district governor, the first and second vice district governors, the region chairpersons (if the position is utilized during the district governor's term), the zone

chairpersons and a cabinet secretary-treasurer or a cabinet secretary and a cabinet treasurer. Each such officer shall be a member in good standing of a Lions club in good standing in the district.1

Section 2. DISTRICT CABINET. The district shall have a district cabinet composed of the district governor, the immediate past district governor, the first and second vice district governor's, the region chairpersons (if the position is utilized during the district governor's term), the zone chairpersons, a cabinet secretary-treasurer or a cabinet secretary and a cabinet treasurer, and such other club members as may be included in this section as amended in accordance with the amendment procedures contained herein. In addition, the global membership team district coordinator, global leadership team district coordinator, global service team district coordinator and LCIF district coordinator shall be non-voting members of the district cabinet. Each such cabinet member shall be a member in good standing of a Lions club in good standing in the district.

Section 3. ELECTION/APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT CABINET. The district governor and first and second vice district governors shall be elected at the annual convention of the district. The district governor shall appoint or the district shall elect by the time he/she takes office, the cabinet secretary-treasurer or a cabinet secretary and a cabinet treasurer, one region chairperson for each region (if the position is utilized during the district governor's term), and one zone chairperson for each zone, in the district, sergeant at arms and such other club members as may be included in the district cabinet.

Section 4. REMOVAL. Members of the District Cabinet other than the District Governor3, First Vice District Governor and Second Vice District Governor may be removed from office for cause 4 by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the entire number of the District Cabinet.

ARTICLE VII District Convention

Section 1. TIME AND PLACE.

The district governor shall issue an official call by printed or electronic means to all clubs for the annual district convention not less than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for holding the same, stating the place, day and hour thereof an annual Convention of the District shall be held in each year no less than thirty (30) days prior to the opening of the International convention at a place selected by a previous Annual District Convention and at a date and time fixed by the District Governor. A meeting of the registered deligates of the District in attendance at the Annual convention of the Multiple District of which this District shall be a part may constitute the Annual Convention of the District.

Section 2 CLUB DELEGATE FORMULA. Each chartered club in good standing in Lions Clubs International and the District shall be entitled in each annual Convention of the District to One Deligate and one Alternate for each ten member, who have been enrolled for at least one year and one day in the clubor major fraction thereof, of the said club as shown by the records of the International Office on the First of the Month last preceeding that monthduring which

the convention is held. The District Governor shall from the International Office obtain this information in writing and the delegate count shal be based on this information. The Major fraction referred to herein shall be five (5) or more members. The Past District Governors of the District who are members in good standing of Clubs of good standing of the District shall be entitled tofull delegate status independent of the club status Quota. Each certified delegate present in person may cast one vote only for each question submitted to the said convention. Unless otherwise specified herein, The affirmative vote of a majority of delegates voting on any question shall be the act of the convention. Delinquent dues may be paid and good standing acquired upto fifteen (15) days prior to the close of the credential certification, as such closing time shall be established by thr rules of the convention. If for some reason or other the accredited Deligate cannot be present in person, then and only then can the alternate delegate vote. He/she shall however forward a letter from the Club President or Secretary stating the inability of the accredited Delegate to be present, Addressed to the District Governor, when he/she would be permitted to cast his/her vote for each office to be filled at the time allocated for Alternative vote.

Section 3. QUORUM. The attendance in person of a majority of the delegates registered at a convention shall constitute a quorum at any session of the convention.

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ARTICLE VIII District Dispute Resolution Procedure

All disputes or claims arising from provisions of the District Constitution and By-Laws or any policy or procedure adopted from time to time by the district (single or sub-) cabinet, or any other internal Lions district (single or sub-) matters that cannot be satisfactorily resolved through other means, arising between any clubs in the district (single or sub-), or any club(s) and the district (single or sub-) administration, shall be resolved in accordance with the Dispute Resolution Procedures established by the International Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX Amendments

Section 1. AMENDING PROCEDURE. This constitution may be amended only at a district convention, by resolution of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee and adopted by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast.

Section 2. AUTOMATIC UPDATE. When amendments to the International Constitution and By-Laws are passed at the International Convention, any amendments that would have an effect on this District Constitution and By-Laws shall automatically be updated in this district constitution and by-laws at the close of the convention.

Section 3. NOTICE. No amendment shall be so reported or voted upon unless the same shall

have been published by regular post or electronic means to each club no less than thirty (30) days prior to the convening date of the annual convention with notice that the same will be voted upon at said convention.

Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. Each amendment shall take effect at the close of the convention at which adopted unless otherwise specified in the amendment

BY LAWS

ARTICLE I

Nomination & Endorsement International Director and Third Vice President Nominees

Section 1 ENDORSEMENT PROCEDURE

Subject to the provisions of the International Constitution & By-Laws any member of a Lions Club in the District seeking endorsement of a Convention as Candidate for the office of International Director or Third Vice President shall;

(a) Deliver (by mail or in person) written notice of intention to seek such endorsement to the District Governor and if this is a Sub District of a Multiple District to the Multiple District Council Secretary, Treasurer no less than 30 days prior to the convening date of the District Convention at which such question of endorsement is to be voted upon.

(b) Deliver with said notice of intention evidence of fulfillment of the qualifications for such office set forth in the International Constitution and By-Laws

Section 2 Nomination.

Each Notice of intention so delivered shall be transmitted forthwith bythe District Governor to Nominating Committee of the respective Convention, which shall and rewiew and perfect the same by obtaining from each prospective candidate any additional evidence of such intention and qualifications as may be necessary under the International Constitution and By –Laws , and shall place in nomination at the respective Convention, the name of each such prospective candidate who has fulfilled said procedural and constitutional requirments.

Section 3 Seconding Speech

Each such nominee for endorsement shall be entitled to one seconding speech of no more than three(3) minutes in duration.

Section 4 Vote

The vote on the question of endorsement shall be by secret written ballot, unless there shall be only one nominee seeking the same, in which event a vote may be taken. The nominee receiving a majority of the votes cast shall be declared endorsed (elected) as the candidate of the Convention and District. In the event of a tie vote, or failure of one nominee to receive the required majority, on any ballot, balloting shall continue until one receives the required majority of the votes cast.

Section 5 Certification of Endorsement

Certification of Endorsement by the respective Convention shall be made in writing to the international office by ther District officials designated(and if the District is a sub District in the Multiple District Council of Governors) in accordance with the requirements set forth, in the International Constitution and By-Laws.

Section 6 Validity

No District endorsement of any candidacy of any member of a Lions Club in this District shall be valid unless and until the provisions of this Article have been met.

ARTICLE II District Nominations, Elections and Appointments

Section 1. NOMINATING COMMITTEE. The District Governor shall appoint by written notification received at least sixty (60) days prior to the sub-district convention, a Nominating Committee of not less than three (3) and no more than five (5) members, each of whom shall be a member in good standing of a different Lions club in good standing in the district, and shall not through the duration of their appointment hold any district cabinet or international office either by election or appointment.

Section 2. DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECTION PROCEDURES. Any qualified member of a club in the district seeking the office of district governor shall file his/her intention to so run in writing with the Nominating Committee prior to the day of its report to the convention, and furnish evidence of his/her compliance with the qualifications for said office set out in the International Constitution and By-Laws. The Nominating Committee shall place in nomination at the district convention the name(s) of all candidate(s) so qualified.8 If none are so received and/or so qualified, then, but then only, nominations for the office may be made from the floor. A candidate shall be allowed one nominating speech of no more than five (5) minutes duration, and one seconding speech of no more than three (3) minutes duration.

Section 3. FIRST AND SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECTION

PROCEDURES. Any member of a club in the district seeking the office of first or second vice district governor shall file his/her intention to so run in writing with the Nominating Committee at least thirty (30) days prior to the election, and furnish evidence of his/her compliance with the qualifications for said office set out in the International Constitution and By-Laws. The Nominating Committee shall place in nomination at the district convention the names of all candidates so qualified. If none are so received and/or so qualified, then, but then only, nominations for the office may be made from the floor. Each candidate shall be allowed one nominating speech of no more than five (5) minutes duration, and one seconding speech of no more than three (3) minutes duration.

Section 4. BALLOT. The election shall be by secret written ballot, with the candidate or candidates required to secure a majority of the votes cast by the delegates present and voting in order to be declared elected; for purpose of such election, a majority is defined as a number

more than one-half of the total valid votes cast excluding blanks and abstentions. If, on the first ballot, and subsequent ballots, no candidate receives a majority, the candidate or tied candidates receiving the lowest number of votes shall be eliminated and balloting shall continue until one candidate receives a majority. In case of a tie on any ballot, balloting shall continue on the tied candidates until one is elected.

Section 5. DISTRICT GOVERNOR VACANCY. In the event of a vacancy in the office of district governor, the same shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of the International Constitution and By-Laws. The immediate past district governor, first and second vice district governors, and past district governors, past international directors and past international presidents in the district shall convene at a date, time and place called and determined by the immediate past district governor to select a replacement for recommendation to the International Board of Directors.

In order for a Lion to be eligible and qualified to be selected to fill a vacancy in the office of district governor, he/she must

- (a) Be an Active Member in good standing of a chartered Lions club in good standing in his/her single or sub-district.
- (b) Have served or will have served at the time he/she takes office as district governor:
- (i) As officer of a Lions club for a full term or major portion thereof; and
- (ii) As a member of the district cabinet for two (2) full terms or major portion thereof.
- (iii) With none of the above being accomplished concurrently. It is encouraged that the first vice district governor fulfill his/her full term of office and other qualified Lions be considered for filling a vacancy in the office of district governor.

Section 6. FIRST AND SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS AND OTHER

VACANCIES. Any vacancy in office except that of district governor and first and second vice district governors shall be filled by appointment from the district governor for the unexpired term. In event of a vacancy arising in the office of first or second vice district governor, the district governor shall convene a meeting of the immediate past district governor, first vice district governor and second vice district governor and all past international officers who are members in good standing of a chartered Lions club in good standing in the district. It shall be the duty of the attendees at this meeting to appoint a qualified club member as first or second vice district governor for the remainder of the term. In filling said vacancy, it shall be the duty of the district governor, or if not available, the most recent past district governor who is available, to send out invitations fifteen days (15) in advance of the meeting to attend said meeting and it shall also be his/her responsibility to preside as chairperson of the meeting. The chairperson shall convey the results to the international office within seven (7) days together with evidence of invitations sent and meeting attendance. Each Lion who is entitled to receive an invitation to attend and is present at said meeting shall be entitled to cast one vote for the Lion of his/her choice. In order for a Lion to be eligible and qualified to be selected to fill a vacancy in the office of first or second vice district governor, he/she must:

(a) Be an Active Member in good standing of a chartered Lions club in good standing in his/her single

or sub-district.

- (b) Have served or will have served at the time he/she takes office as first or second vice district governor:
 - (i) As officer of a Lions club for a full term or major portion thereof; and
 - (ii) As a member of the district cabinet for a full term or major portion thereof.
 - (iii) With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

ARTICLE III Duties of District Officers/Cabinet

Section 1. DISTRICT GOVERNOR. Under the general supervision of the International Board of Directors, he/she shall represent the association in his/her district. In addition, he/she shall be the chief administrative officer in his/her district and shall have direct supervision over the first and second vice district governor, region chairpersons, the zone chairpersons, the cabinet secretary-treasurer and such other cabinet members as may be provided for in this district constitution and by-laws. His/her specific responsibilities shall be to:

- (a) Serve as the Global Action Team district chairperson to administer and promote membership growth, new club development, leadership development and humanitarian service to clubs throughout the district.
- (1) Ensure the selection of a qualified Lion leader for the positions of GST district coordinator, GMT district coordinator and GLT district coordinator
- . (2) Ensure regular meetings to discuss and advance initiatives established by the District Global Action Team.
- (3) Collaborate with the multiple district's Global Action Team
- (b) Promote the Lions Clubs International Foundation and all service activities of the association.
- (c) Preside, when present, over cabinet, convention and other district meetings. During any period he/she is unable to so preside, the presiding officer at any such meeting shall be the first or second vice district governor, but if he/she is not available, the district officer chosen by the attending members shall preside.
- d) Promote harmony among the chartered Lions clubs.
- (e) Exercise such supervision and authority over cabinet officers and district committee appointees as is provided in this district constitution.
- (f) Ensure that each Lions club in the district be visited by district governor or other district officer once every year to facilitate successful administration of the club, and that the visiting officer submit a visitation report to the International Headquarters for each visit.
- (g) Submit a current itemized statement of total district receipts and expenditures to his/her district convention or annual meeting of his/her district at a multiple district convention.

- (h) Deliver, in a timely manner, at the conclusion of his/her term in office, the general and/or financial accounts, funds and records of the district to his/her successor in office.
- (i) Report to Lions Clubs International all known violations of the use of the association's name and emblem.
- (j) Perform such other functions and acts as shall be required of him/her by the International Board of Directors through the District Governor's Manual and other directives.

Section 2. FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR.

The first vice district governor, subject to the supervision and direction of the district governor, shall be the chief administrative assistant and representative of the district governor. His/her specific responsibilities shall be, but not limited, to:

- (a) Further the purposes of this association.
- (b) Perform such administrative duties assigned by the district governor.
- (c) Perform such other functions and acts required by the International Board of Directors.
- (d) Participate in the cabinet meetings, and conduct meetings in the absence of the district governor, and participate in council meetings as appropriate.
- (e) Assist the district governor in the review of the strengths and weaknesses of the clubs in the district, identifying the existing and potential weak clubs and establishing plans to strengthen them.
- (f) Conduct club visitation as the representative of the district governor when requested by the district governor.
- (g) Work with the District Convention Committee and assist the committee to plan and conduct the annual district convention and assist the district governor to organize and promote other events within the district.
- (h) At the request of the district governor, supervise other district committees.
- (i) Participate in the planning of the next year including the district budget.
- (j) Familiarize himself/herself with the duties of the district governor so that, in the event of a vacancy in the office of the district governor, he/she would be better prepared to assume the duties and responsibilities of said office as the acting district governor until the vacancy is filled according to these by-laws and rules of procedure adopted by the International Board of Directors.
- (k) Conduct a district quality assessment and collaborate with the district officers, specifically members of the district's Global Action Team, and other committee chairpersons, during

his/her term as first vice district governor to develop a plan for membership growth, leadership development, operational improvement and the fulfillment of humanitarian services to be presented and approved by the district cabinet during his/her term as district governor. Section

3. SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR.

The second vice district governor, subject to the supervision and direction of the district governor, shall be an assistant in the administration of the district, and representative of the district governor. His/her specific responsibilities shall be, but not limited, to:

- (a) Further the purposes of this association.
- (b) Perform such administrative duties assigned by the district governor.
- (c) Perform such other functions and acts required by the International Board of Directors.
- (d) Participate in the cabinet meetings, and conduct meetings in the absence of the district governor and first vice district governor, and participate in council meetings as appropriate.
- (e) Familiarize himself/herself with the health and status of the clubs in the district, review the monthly financial report and assist the district governor and the first vice district governor in identifying and strengthening the existing and potential weak clubs.
- (f) Conduct club visitation, as the representative of the district governor, when requested by the district governor.
- (g) Assist the district governor and first vice district governor in planning and conducting the annual district convention.
- (h) Work with the District LCIF Coordinator and assist the committee to achieve the goals of the year through regular distribution of LCIF information and materials to increase understanding and support of LCIF.
- (i) Work with the District Information Technology Committee and assist the committee to promote the use of the association's web site and the Internet among the clubs and members to obtain information, file reports, purchase club supplies, etc.
- (j) At the request of the district governor, supervise other district committees.
- (k) Assist the district governor, first vice district governor, and the cabinet in planning of the next year, including the district budget.
- (I) Familiarize himself/herself with the duties of the district governor so that, in the event of a vacancy in the offices of district governor and first vice district governor, he/she would be better prepared to assume the duties and responsibilities of said offices as the acting district governor or acting vice district governor until the vacancies are filled according to these by-

laws and rules of procedure adopted by the International Board of Directors.

Section 4. CABINET SECRETARY-TREASURER. He/ she shall act under the supervision of the district governor. His/her specific responsibilities shall be to:

- (a) Further the Purposes of this association;
- (b) Perform such duties as are implied by the title of said office, including but not by way of limitation, the following:
 - (1) Keep an accurate record of the proceedings of all meetings of the cabinet, and within five
 - (5) days after each meeting forward copies of the same to all members of the cabinet, and the office of Lions Clubs International.
 - (2) Take and keep minutes of the sub-district convention and furnish copies of the same to Lions Clubs International, the district governor and the secretary of each club in the sub-district.
 - (3) Make reports to the cabinet as the district governor or cabinet may require.
 - (4) Collect and receipt for all dues and taxes levied on members and clubs in the subdistrict, deposit the same in such bank or banks as the district governor shall determine and disburse the same by order of the district governor
 - .(5) Remit and pay over to the multiple district council secretary-treasurer the multiple district dues and taxes, if any, collected in the sub-district, and secure a proper receipt.
 - (6) Keep accurate books and records of account, and minutes of all cabinet and subdistrict meetings, and permit inspection of the same by the district governor, any cabinet member and any club (or any authorized agent of any of them) at any reasonable time for any proper purpose. Upon direction of the district governor or the cabinet, he/she shall furnish any such books and records as requested to any auditor appointed by the district governor.
 - (7) Secure bond for the faithful performance of his/her duties in such sum and with such sureties as may be required by the district governor.
 - (8) Deliver, in a timely manner, at the conclusion of his/her term in office, the general and/or financial accounts, funds and records of the district to his/her successor in office
- (c) Perform such other functions and acts as may be required of each by directives of the International Board of Directors.
- (d) If separate offices of cabinet secretary and cabinet treasurer are adopted, the duties listed in (b) are to be attributed to each of the offices according to the nature of such duties.

Section 5. GLOBAL SERVICE TEAM (GST) DISTRICT COORDINATOR.

The GST district coordinator is a member of the District Global Action Team. His/her responsibilities include:

(a) Encourage clubs to implement service projects that are aligned with global LCI initiatives,

including the LCI Service Framework.

- (b) Work with clubs to raise the visibility of Lions service impact in local communities.
- (c) Collaborate with GMT and GLT district coordinators and the Global Action Team district chairperson (district governor) to further initiatives focused on leadership development, membership retention and growth, and expanding humanitarian service.
- (d) Work with region, zone, and club service chairpersons to help clubs reach their service goals, ensure regular reporting in MyLCI, and encourage utilization of LCI tools (such as the App) to increase engagement in service projects.
- (e) Support local community service projects that create a sense of belonging and pride to the Lions and Leos in the district.
- (f) Promote service projects that attract multi-generational participants, including the integration and leadership development of Leos.
- (g) In collaboration with the LCIF district coordinator, maximize LCIF resource utilization and fundraising and monitor LCIF grants given to the district.
- (h) Gather club and district feedback related to service challenges, opportunities, and successes and share information gathered with multiple district coordinator to troubleshoot/remove barriers impeding the successful implementation of service programs.

Section 6. GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP TEAM (GMT) DISTRICT COORDINATOR. The GMT district coordinator is a member of the District Global Action Team. His/her responsibilities include:

- (a) Collaborate with the GLT and GST district coordinators and the Global Action Team district chairperson (district governor) to further initiatives focused on leadership development, membership growth and expanding humanitarian service.
- (b) Develop and execute an annual district membership development plan.
- (c) Collaborate with region, zone, and club membership chairpersons to identify communities without a club or where additional clubs can be chartered.
- (d) Motivate clubs to invite new members, inspire positive club membership experiences, and ensure clubs are aware of available membership programs and resources.
- (e) Monitor club membership reports. Recognize clubs that are increasing membership and support clubs that are losing members.
- (f) Work with clubs in danger of cancellation by ensuring payments are submitted on time.

- (g) Include diverse populations to participate in Global Action Team Initiatives.
- (h) Respond promptly to prospective member leads provided by the GMT multiple district coordinator or LCI, track recruitment and provide status report of the lead.
- (i) Complete requirements and submit applications to receive district funding from LCI for membership development activities.
- (j) Confirm new members are provided an effective member orientation at the club level, in collaboration with the GLT district coordinator and the club officers.
- (k) Provide retention strategies to clubs in collaboration with GLT and GST district coordinators.

Section 7. GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM (GLT) DISTRICT COORDINATOR.

The GLT district coordinator is a member of the District Global Action Team. His/her responsibilities include:

- (a) Collaborate with your GMT and GST district coordinators and Global Action Team district chairperson (district governor) to further initiatives focused on leadership development, membership growth and expanding humanitarian service.
- (b) Develop and execute an annual district leadership development plan.
- (c) Communicate regularly with region/zone chairpersons and club vice presidents to ensure they are aware of leadership development programs and resources available.
- (d) Provide ongoing motivation to region/zone chairpersons and club vice presidents to achieve leadership development goals.
- (e) Promote leadership development opportunities that encourages participation all levels of the association.
- (f) Collaborate with GMT and GST district coordinators to provide retention strategies to clubs.
- (g) Include diverse populations to participate in Global Action Team initiatives.
- (h) Identify potential and new leaders to participate in service, membership and leadership development opportunities.
- (i) Organize and facilitate instructor-led and web-based training in coordination with LCI.
- (j) Confirm new members are provided an effective member orientation at the club level, in collaboration with the GMT district coordinator and club officers.

(k) Complete requirements and submit applications to receive district funding from LCI for leadership development activities.

Section 8. LCIF DISTRICT COORDINATOR.

The LCIF district coordinator is nominated by the LCIF multiple district coordinator, in consultation with the district governor, and appointed by the LCIF chairperson, to serve for a three-year term. This position serves as an ambassador for Lions Clubs International Foundation and reports directly to LCIF multiple district coordinator while working closely with district leadership. His/her responsibilities include:

- (a) Be familiar with LCIF initiatives and educate Lions within the district on the various grants and projects supported by LCIF. Assist district governors with grant applications to LCIF, as needed.
- (b) Promote foundation initiatives in district publications, during district events and to the public at large.
- (c) Ensure that local LCIF-funded projects receive proper promotion and follow grantcriteria guidelines.
- (d) Encourage all Lions to contribute to LCIF and promote individual and club recognition programs as incentives to donate to LCIF.
- (e) Identify potential major gift donors, local foundations, corporations, and businesses with the potential to support LCIF and, and when appropriate, be involved in the gift-request process.
- (f) Assist with the submission of LCIF funds, MJF applications, and other donation information when necessary.
- (g) Encourage clubs to select a Lion to serve as the club LCIF coordinator (which may be the immediate past club president). Host an annual training for club LCIF coordinators. Communicate with each LCIF club coordinator quarterly.
- (h) In collaboration with the district governor and the LCIF multiple district coordinator, develop and execute a plan with agreed upon goals. Communicate monthly with the LCIF multiple district coordinator to discuss progress and challenges.
- **Section 9. REGION CHAIRPERSON** (if the position is utilized during the district governor's term). The region chairperson subject to the supervision and direction of the district governor, shall be the chief administrative officer in his/her region. The Region Chairperson is a member of the District Global Action Team. His/her specific responsibilities should be to:
- (a) Further the Purposes of this association.
- (b) Supervise the activities of the zone chairpersons in his/her region and such district committee chairpersons as may be assigned to him/her by the district governor.

- (c) In coordination with the District GMT Coordinator, play an active role in organizing new clubs and in strengthening weak clubs.
- (d) Visit a regular meeting of each club in his/her region at least once during his/her term of office, reporting his/her findings to the district governor and the GMT district coordinator, the GLT district coordinator and the GST district coordinator, as appropriate.
- (e) Visit a regular board of directors meeting of each club in his/her region at least once during his/her term of office, reporting his/her findings to the district governor and the GMT district coordinator, the GLT district coordinator and the GST district coordinator as appropriate.
- (f) Endeavor to have every club in his/her region operating under a duly adopted club constitution and bylaws.
- (g) Promote the Club Quality Initiative to the clubs within the region.
- (h) In coordination with the District GLT Coordinator, play an active role in supporting leadership initiatives by informing Lions with the zone about leadership development opportunities at the zone, district or multiple district.
- (i) In coordination with the GST district coordinator, play an active role in promoting global service initiatives by informing Lions within the zone about service opportunities in the region, district or multiple district.
- (j) Promote representation at international and district (sub- and multiple) conventions by at least the full quota of delegates to which clubs in his/her region are entitled.
- (k) Carry out such official visitations to club meetings and charter nights as shall be assigned to him/her by the district governor.
- (1) Perform such additional assignments as shall be given to him/her from time to time by the district governor. In addition, the region chairperson shall perform such other functions and acts as may be required by the International Board of Directors through a region chairperson's manual and other directives.
- **Section 10. ZONE CHAIRPERSON.** The zone chairperson, subject to the supervision and direction of the district governor and/or region chairperson, shall be the chief administrative officer in his/her zone. The Zone Chairperson is a member of the District Global Action Team. His/her specific responsibilities shall be to:
- (a) Further the Purposes of this association.
- (b) Serve as chairperson of the District Governor's Advisory Committee in his/her zone and as such chairperson to call regular meetings of said committee.

- (c) Endeavor to include the GMT district coordinator, the GLT district coordinator and the GST district coordinator as special guests to a District Governor's Advisory Committee meeting to discuss needs related to membership, leadership development and service and how these teams may assist the clubs within the zone.
- (d) Make a report of each District Governor's Advisory Committee meeting and send copies within five (5) days thereafter to Lions Clubs International and to the district governor. Copies should also be sent to the GMT district coordinator, the GLT district coordinator, the GST district coordinator and region chairperson when appropriate.
- (e) Promote the Club Quality Initiative to the clubs within the zone.
- (f) In coordination with the GMT district Coordinator, play an active role in organizing new clubs and keep informed of the activities and well-being of all clubs in his/her zone.
- (g) In coordination with the GLT district coordinator, play an active role in supporting leadership initiatives by informing Lions within the zone about leadership development opportunities at the zone, district or multiple district.
- (h) In coordination with the GST district coordinator, play an active role in promoting global service initiatives by informing Lions within the zone about service opportunities in the zone, district or multiple district.
- (i) Represent each club in his/her zone in any problems with district, multiple district council chairperson or Lions Clubs International.
- (j) Supervise the progress of district, multiple district, and Lions Clubs International projects in his/her zone.
- (k) Endeavor to have every club within his/her zone operating under a duly adopted club constitution and by-laws.
- (I) Promote representation at international and district (sub- and multiple) conventions by at least the full quota of delegates to which clubs in his/her zone are entitled.
- (m) Visit a regular meeting of each club in his/her zone once or more during his/her term of office, reporting his/her findings to the region chairperson particularly with respect to weaknesses he/she may have discovered (copy to district governor).
- (n) Perform such other functions and acts as may be required of him/her by directives of the International Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV

District Committees

Section 1. DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

In each zone, the zone chairperson and the presidents, first vice presidents and secretaries of the clubs in the zone shall compose a District Governor's Advisory Committee, with the zone chairperson as chairperson. At a date, time and place called by the zone chairperson, this committee shall hold a first meeting within ninety (90) days after the adjournment of the preceding international convention; a second meeting in the month of November; a third meeting in the month of February or March; and a fourth meeting approximately thirty days prior to the multiple district convention. The club service chairpersons, club marketing communications chairpersons, and club membership chairpersons should attend when information is shared that relate to their position. It shall assist the zone chairpersons in an advisory capacity, procure recommendations affecting the welfare of Lionism and the clubs in the zone, and relay the same through the zone chairperson to the district governor and his/her cabinet.

Section 2. DISTRICT GLOBAL ACTION TEAM. Chaired by the district governor and includes the GMT district coordinator, GST district coordinator and GLT district coordinator. Develops and initiates a coordinated plan to help clubs expand humanitarian service, achieve membership growth, and develop future leaders. Meets regularly to discuss the progress of the plan and initiatives that may support the plan. Collaborates with members of the multiple district's Global Action Team to learn about initiatives and best practices. Shares activities, achievements and challenges with members of the multiple district Global Action Team. Attends the District Governor Advisory Committee meeting and other zone, region, district or multiple district meetings that feature service, membership or leadership initiatives to share ideas and gain knowledge that may be applied to club practices.

Section 3. DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S HONORARY COMMITTEE. The district governor may appoint a District Governor's Honorary Committee composed of past international officers who are members in good standing of clubs within the sub-district. This committee shall meet when and as called upon by the district governor. It shall act under the direction of the district governor in the promotion of harmony throughout the district. The chairperson of this committee shall attend meetings of the cabinet when requested by the district governor.

Section 4. DISTRICT CABINET COMMITTEES. The district governor may establish and appoint such other committees and/or chairpersons as he/she deems necessary and appropriate for the efficient operations of the district. Such committee chairpersons shall be deemed nonvoting members of the district cabinet.

ARTICLE V Meetings

Section 1. DISTRICT CABINET MEETINGS.

(a) Regular. A regular meeting of the cabinet shall be held in each quarter of the fiscal year,

with the first of which should be held within thirty (30) days after the adjournment of the preceding international convention. Ten (10) days written notice of meetings setting forth a date, time and place determined by the district governor shall be given to each member by the cabinet secretary.

- (b) Special. Special meetings of the cabinet may be called by the district governor at his/her discretion, and shall be called upon written request made to the district governor or the cabinet secretary by a majority of the members of the cabinet. No fewer than five (5) nor more than twenty (20) days written (including letters, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, or cable) notice of special meetings, setting forth the purposes and a date, time and place determined by the district governor, shall be given to each member by the cabinet secretary.
- (c) Quorum. The attendance of a majority of the officers of this district shall constitute a quorum for any cabinet meeting.
- (d) Vote. The voting privilege shall extend to all members of the district cabinet.
- **Section 2. ALTERNATIVE MEETING FORMATS**. Regular and/or special meetings of the district cabinet may be held through the use of alternative meeting formats, such as teleconference and/or web conference as determined by the district governor.
- **Section 3. BUSINESS TRANSACTED BY MAIL**. The district cabinet may transact business by mail (including letters, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, or cable), provided that no such action shall be effective until approved in writing by two-thirds (2/3) of the entire number of the members of the district cabinet. Such action may be initiated by the district governor or any three (3) officers of the district.

Section 4. REGIONS AND ZONES.

- (a) Organizational. Regions and zones shall be subject to change by the district governor, with the approval of the district cabinet and when it is in the best interests of the clubs, district and the association. The district should be divided into regions of sixteen (16) to ten (10) Lions clubs. Each region should be divided into zones of between eight (8) and four (4) Lions Clubs, giving due regard to the geographical locations of the clubs.
- (b) Region Meetings. Meetings of representatives of all clubs in a region, with the region chairperson (if the position is utilized during the district governor's term) or other district cabinet member as may be assigned by the district governor presiding, should be held during the fiscal year at times and places fixed by the region chairperson of the respective region.
- (c) Zone Meetings. Meetings of representatives of all the clubs in a zone, with the zone chairperson presiding, shall be held during the fiscal year at times and places fixed by the zone chairperson.

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(b) District Governor's Honorary Committee

The District Governor may appoint a District Governor's Honarary Committee composed of Past International officers, and past District Governors of the District, who are member's of godstanding of clubs within the District. This Committee shall meet as and when called upon by the District Governor.

It shall act under the direction of the District Governor in the promotion of harmony throughtout the District. The chairperson of this committee shall attend meetings of the cabinet when requested by the District Governor.

(c) District Governor's Long Range Planning Committee

The District Governor may appoint a Long Range Planning Committee composed not less than five past District Governors of the District, Immediate Past District Governor, The District Governor, The vice District Governors, the Cabinet Secretary, the Cabinet Tresurer, Region Chairpersons and any other Lions from the District.

This committee shall perform purelyadvisory function to the District Governor, The District Governor shall appoint a senior Past District Governor as chairperson of this Committee.

(d) District cabinet Committees.

The District Governor may establish and appoint such other committees and/or chairpersons as he/she deems necessary and appropriate for the efficient operations of the District, Such Committees Chairpersons shall be deemed nonvoting members of the District cabinet.

ARTICLE VI District Convention

Section 1. CONVENTION SITE SELECTION. The district governor shall receive invitations in writing from places desiring to entertain the succeeding year(s) annual convention. All invitations shall set forth such information as the district governor shall from time to time require and shall be delivered to him/her no later than thirty (30) days prior to the convening date of the convention at which the convention site shall be voted upon by the delegates of said convention. Procedure to be followed in investigation of bids and in presentation of the same to conventions, as well as action to be taken by a convention in the event no bids are acceptable to or so received by the district governor shall be determined by the district governor.

Section 2. OFFICIAL CALL. The district governor shall issue an official call by printed or electronic means to all clubs for the annual district convention not less than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for holding the same, stating the place, day and hour thereof.

Section 3. SITE CHANGE. The district cabinet shall retain, and have, power to change at any time, for good reason, the convention site previously chosen and neither the district, officers of the district nor any member of the district cabinet, shall incur any liability thereby to any club or club member in the district. Notice of this site change shall be furnished in writing to each club. in the district no less than thirty (30) days prior to the convening date of the annual convention.

Section 4. OFFICERS. The members of the district cabinet shall be the officers of the annual district convention. **S**

Section 5. SERGEANT-AT-ARMS. A convention sergeant- at-arms and such assistant sergeant-at-arms as deemed necessary shall be appointed by the district governor.

Section 6. OFFICIAL REPORT. Within fifteen (15) days after the close of each single and sub-district convention, the cabinet secretary shall transmit one copy of the complete proceedings to the international office. Upon written request from any club in the respective district a copy shall be furnished to said club.

Section 7. CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE. The Credentials Committee of the district convention shall be composed of the district governor, as chairperson, the cabinet secretary or the cabinet secretary-treasurer and two other non-officers of the district appointed by the district governor, each of whom shall be a member in good standing of a different Lions club in good standing in the district. The non-officers shall not, through the duration of the appointment, hold any district or international office either by election or appointment. The Credentials Committee shall have the powers and perform the duties set forth in ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED.

Section 8. ORDER OF CONVENTION BUSINESS. The district governor shall arrange the order of business for the district convention, and the same shall be the order of the day for all sessions.

Section 9. DISTRICT CONVENTION COMMITTEES. The district governor shall appoint the chairperson of, and fill any vacancies occurring in the following district convention committees: Resolutions, Elections, Constitution and By-Laws, Rules of Procedure and International Convention. Each region, if any, shall have at least one representative on each such committee. These committees shall perform such duties as the district governor shall designate.

ARTICLE VII Convention Fund

Section 1. CONVENTION FUND TAX. In lieu of or in addition to a district convention registration fee, an annual district convention fund tax of (insert value in national currency ______) may be levied upon each member of each club in the district and shall be collected and paid in advance by each club, except newly chartered and reorganized clubs, in

two (2) semiannual payments as follows: (insert value in national currency________) per club member on September tenth of each year to cover the semi-annual period January 1 to June 30, with billings of said tax to be based upon the roster of each club as of the first days of September and March, respectively. Any club which is chartered or reorganized in a current fiscal year shall collect and pay said convention tax for said fiscal year on a pro-rata basis from the first day of the second month following the date of its organization, as the case may be. This tax shall be collected from the clubs by, and be remitted to, the cabinet secretary or cabinettreasurer (or secretary-treasurer), who shall deposit the monies so collected in a special account in a bank or other depository chosen by the district governor. The fund so collected shall be used exclusively for defraying expenses of district conventions and shall be expended only by district checks drawn and signed by the cabinet treasurer and countersigned by the district governor.

Section 2. REMAINING FUNDS. In any fiscal year, any balance remaining in the convention fund after payment of all convention administrative expenses in that year shall remain in said convention fund and become available for future convention expenses and be treated as income in any fiscal year in which expended or otherwise budgeted for payment of such expenses.

Section 3. FEE COLLECTION. Such fee as the district governor shall set may be collected, under procedures set by the district governor, from each delegate, alternate, and guest attending the district convention to defray the actual cost of convention meals and entertainment.

ARTICLE VIII
District Administration Fund

Section 1

- (a) Apart from the International Dues to provide revenue to defray the non Convention administrative expenses, an annual per capita non ConventionAdministrationFund Tax As Shall be determined at the Annual Convention of the District. Shall be levied upon each member of each Club in the District. It shall be collected and paid in advance by each Club in two(2) semi annual payments on September 10th each year to cover the semi annual period by 1st July to 31st December and on March 10th each year to cover the semi annual period 01st January to 30th June with billings of the same to be base upon the roster of each club as of 01st July and 01st January respectively. Said Tax shall be paid to the Cabinet Treasurer by each Club, except newly chartered and re- organized Clubs, which shall collect and pay the said per capita Tax on a prorata basis from the first day of the second month following the date of their organization or reorganization, as the case me be, said per capita tax shall be disbursed only for non Convention administrative expenses of the District and only upon Approval by the District Governor's Cabinet. Disbursement therefrom shall be by cheques drawn and signed by the Cabinet Cabinet Treasurer and counter signed by the District Governor.provided that the District Governor May authorize an officer of the District to countersign on cheques if the District Governor is unable to do so due to illnessor such other cause.
- (b) An entrance fee of as may be determined by resolutionadopted at an Annual Convention of the District may be levied from all new members of all Clubs in the District and such fees shall be collected by such Club and paid to the Cabinet Treasure,

Section 2

Expences of District Governor Elect in connection with his /her attending the International Conventionshall be considered a District Administrative expense.Re-imbursement for such expenses shall be made on the same basis outlined in the Rules of Audit of Lions Clubs International.

Section 3

The District Governor and his/her Cabinet shall not incur obligations in any fiscal year which will effect unbalanced budget or deficit in such fiscal year.

Section 4

The District Governor's cabinet shall provide for an annual or more frequent audit of the books and accounts of the Cabinet Treasurer, and such other officer's appointed by the District Governor during his/her term of office, and a stamen of financial condition of the District shall be sent to Lions Clubs International and each Club in the District at the close of the fiscal year by the cabinet then in office and an audited statement of accounts shallnbepresented the Annual District Convention immediately following and as provided in the section x below

Section 5

An annual per capita Multiple Convention Fund Tax as determined at the Annual Multiple District Convention shall be levied upon each member of each Club of the District and shall be collected and paid to the Cabinet Treasurer on or before 10th of March each fiscal year.

Section 6

In any fiscal year any balance remaining in the Convention Fund after payment of all convention Administrative expences in that year shall remain in sad Convention fund and become avaliable for future Convention expences and be treated as income in any fiscal year in which expended or otherwise budgeted for payment of such expenses.

Section 7

Such fees as the District Governor shall set may be collected under procedures set by the District Governor from each delegate alternate and guest attending the District Convention to defray the actual cost of Convention meals and entertainment.

Section 8

The District Governor shall provide for an annual or more frequent audit of the District Convention fund and shall give an annual financial report of said fund at the Annual Convention immediately following.

Section 9

If any Lion, Past District Officer or District officer is accused of any misappropriation of funds, belongs to the Club or the District, the incumbent District Governor shall conduct a preliminary, through an independent Investigator appointed bythe Board of Trustees of the District, within two weeks on receipt of such complaint in writing with prima facie evidence. The Investigator shall submit his repport to the Board of Trustees with in two weeks of the receipt of his assignment. If the report indicates a prima facie case against person/persons the preliminary investigation was held, then District Governor shall suspend and/or automatically get suspended such Lion, Past District officer or District officer from from holding any office in the District until his/her innocence is proved before an independent panel of Past District Governors appointed by the Board of Trustees.

Section 10

The Audited Accounts of District 306C1 in any fiscal year shall be submitted to the District Cabinet of the following year, within 6 months of the conclusion of that particular fiscal year and it should be the responsibility of the District Governor and the Cabinet Tresurer of that particular .year.Non submission of the Audited Accounts at the District Convention or rejection of the Audited Accounts at the District Convention shall be construed as a breach of trust by the District officers responsible and hence they shall be disqualified for holding any office or position in the District , untilsuch time the faults are rectified and Accounts are duly approved a subsequent Convention of the District.

ARTICLE IX District Property

Section 1

- (a) The District shall have the power and authority to acquire in any manner whatsoever and hold, possess and own or give on lease, hire, mortgage, pledge, sell or otherwise alienate or dispose off movable or immovable property and such power and authority shall be vested in a board of Trustees which shall be constituted as hereinafter provided.
- (b) The District shall have the power and authority to receive and accept gifts or Donations in cash or kind from local or foreign sources.

Section 2

- (a) The Board of Trustees of the District shall be composed of the District Governor, Immediate Past District Governor, the First and Second Vice District Governor, the Cabinet Secretary and the Cabinet Treasurer, all ex- office with perpetual succession.
- (b) In the event of any of the Trustees ceasing to to hold office whether by reason of death, resignation or otherwise, the successor in office of such Trustee shall succed as Trustee.
- (c)In the event of any of the said Trustees being unwilling to function as such, the remaining Trustees shall constitute the Board of Trustees for the time being during such fiscal year.

Section 3

- (a) The chairperson of the Board of Trustees shall be the District Governor and the cabinet Secretary and the Cabinet Tereasurer shall be its Secretary and Treasurer respectively.
- (b) The Board of Trustees will have power and authority to make such rules and regulations for the conduct of their affairs and to give effect to the purposes of the District.

ARTICLE X Amendments

Section 1. **AMENDING PROCEDURE**. These by-laws may be altered, amended or repealed at a District Convention, by resolution reported by the Convention Committee on Constitution and BY-Laws and adopted by a majority votes cast of the registered Delegates voting at such meeting..

Section 2. NOTICE. No amendment shall be so reported or put to vote, unless same shall have been furnished in writing to each Club notless than Thirty (30) calendar days prior to the convening date of the Annual Convention with notice that the same will be voted upon at said Convention .

Section 3 Each amendment shall take effect at the close of the Convention at which adopted unless otherwise specified in the amendment.

Section 4.

. **AUTOMATIC UPDATE**. When amendments to the International Constitution and By-Laws are passed at the International Convention, any amendments that would have an effect on this District Constitution and By-Laws shall automatically be updated in this district constitution and by-laws at the close of the convention.

ARTICLE XI District Dispute Resolution

All disputes relative to membership, club boundaries or interpretation, breach of ,or application of District constitution and By-Laws, or any policy or procedure adopted from time to time by the district cabinet ,or any other matter that cannot be satisfactorily resolved through other means arising between any clubs in the District , or any club(s) and the District administration shall be settled by the following form of dispute Resolution.

Any party to the dispute may file a written request with the District Governor asking that dispute resolution take place. All request for Dispute Resolution must be filed with the District Governor within thirty (30) days after the party filing the request knew or should have known of the occurrence of the event upon which the request is based. within in 15 daysthe District Governorwith the approval of the District cabinet shall appoint a panel of three(03) concilators to hear the dispute, Theconcilators shall be Lion Leaders, preferably past District Governors from within the District, who are currently members in good standing of clubs in good standing, other tha

n a club which is a party to the dispute, in the district in which the dispute arises. Each party to the dispute will name one conciliator to the panel and the conciliator will name a third conciliator who will also serve as chairperson. In the event the conciliators cannot agree on the appointment of the third conciliator, the District Governor shall appoint the third conciliator/chairperson. The District Governor's decision relative to the appointment of the conciliator/chairperson shall be final and binding.

Upon being selected the concilators shall arrange a meeting of the parties for the purpose of conciliating the dispute. The meeting shall be scheduled within thirty (30) days of appointment of the concilators. The objective of the concilators shall be to find a prompt and amicable resolution to the dispute. If such conciliation efforts are unsuccessful the concilators shall have the authority to issue their decision relative to the dispute. The concilators shall issue their decision no later than thirty (30)days after the date on which the initial meetings of the parties

were held, and the decision shall be final and binding on all parties, All decisions of the Concilators are subject to the authority of the International Board of Directors

Failure to comply with the final and binding decision of the conciliator constitutes conduct unbecoming a Lion and is subject to loss of membership privileges and/or charter cancellation.

ARTICLE XII Fiscal year

The Fiscal Year of this District shall be from July 1st to June 30th