District Cabinet Meeting January 25, 2009 Resolutions and Constitution and By-Laws

The MD 27 **Resolutions and Constitution and By-Laws** committee met on January 10 and acted on several resolutions. At this time there will be three resolutions on the ballot at the State Convention. However, the deadline for filing resolutions is February 15 so we may well have more before the deadline.

Those currently on the ballot are as follows:

- 1. Resolution 1. The purpose is to clarify the scheduling of District Cabinet meetings. (DG John can elaborate on this one)
- 2. Resolution 2. Purpose is to change the process of filling the position of District Cabinet positions by providing flexibility in the process. (this will provide the option of "electing or appointing" region and zone chairs.)
- 3. Resolution 3. Purpose is to provide the delegates the opportunity to vote on the state convention site. (there is conflicting language in the Constitution and By-Laws currently that this resolution will clear up)

Here are the three resolutions for the record.

Resolution 1

Purpose: To clarify the scheduling of District Cabinet meetings.

Whereas: Constitution Article VII, Section 4, sub. a reads as follows: "The District Governor shall call at least one regular meeting of the Cabinet each quarter during the year. The first meeting shall be held within thirty (30) days after the adjournment of the International Convention."

Therefore be it resolved: that Constitution Article VII, Section 4, sub. a, shall be amended to read: The District Governor shall call at least one regular meeting of the Cabinet each quarter during the year.

NOTE: As this resolution amends the Constitution of MD 27, a 2/3 affirmative vote is required for adoption.

Submitted by 2008-2009 Council of Governors

Walter Natynski Council Chairman

State Resolutions-Constitution & By-Law Committee recommends approval. Council of Governors recommend approval.

Resolution 2

- **Purpose:** To change the process of filling the position of District Cabinet positions by providing flexibility in the process.
- Whereas, Article II, Section 6 (District Cabinet) of the Lions International Constitution states the following: "Each single and sub-district shall have a district governor's cabinet composed of the district governor, as chairperson, the immediate past district governor, the vice district governors, and the following who shall be elected or appointed under procedures provided in the respective single, provisional or multiple district constitution: the region chairperson, the zone chairperson, secretary and treasurer or secretary-treasurer and such other club members as may be provided for in the respective district (single, sub-and multiple) constitution and by-laws....." and
- Whereas, Article V, Section 3 of the MD 27 Constitution requires that region chairs (if the position is utilized during the District Governor's term), zone chairs and secretary-treasurer be appointed and that the secretary-treasurer be a member of the same club as the District Governor or of a Lions Club in close proximity thereto.
- **Therefore be it resolved,** that Article V, Section 3 of the MD Constitution be deleted in its entirety and to read as follows: The following positions shall be appointed or elected to the District Cabinet: Region Chairs, Zone Chairs and secretary-treasurer prior to the incoming District Governor taking office.

NOTE: As this resolution amends the Constitution of MD 27, a 2/3 affirmative vote is required for adoption.

Submitted by

Gary Bilke District Governor MD 27 B1

State Resolution-Constitution & By-Law Committee recommends approval. Council of Governors recommend approval.

Resolution 3

Purpose: To provide for delegates to vote for convention site.

Whereas, Article IV, Section 5, sub, c, of the MD 27 By-Laws does not provide for Delegates to vote for a convention site.

Therefore be it resolved, that Article IV, Section 5, sub. c of the MD 27 By-Laws be amended to read: It shall see that printed ballots listing the names of all nominees, the proposed cities for the state convention, bowling and curling

tournaments and resolutions amending the Constitution and By-Laws are provided in sufficient quantity by the state convention committee.

Submitted by

MD 27 State Resolution-Constitution & By-Laws Committee

Ron Drew-Chair

State Resolution-Constitution & By-Law Committee recommends approval. Council of Governors recommend approval.