

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 105D

RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION AT DISTRICT CONVENTION 2014

Resolution 1

Proposed by the District Cabinet

This Convention resolves that :

"Messrs Gilroy & Brookes, Chartered Accountants of Alton, be sincerely thanked for their services to the District in the past and that they be, and the same are hereby, re-appointed as Independent Examiner to the District for the forthcoming Year."

EXPLANATORY NOTE: Article IV Section 4 (a) of District 105D Constitution (as adopted March 1984 – with amendments to March 2013) reads: "*The Governor or Cabinet shall provide for an independent examination of the books, records and Financial Statements of the District covering the Year by a suitably qualified person to be appointed (or re-appointed as the case may be) by resolution at Convention each Year.*"

Resolution 2

Proposed by the District Cabinet

This Convention resolves that :

"The District Per Capita Levy for the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 shall be in the sum of £11.00 per Lion. This shall be payable in two equal instalments - £5.50 per Lion by 1 August 2014 based upon the known membership as at 30 June 2014 and £5.50 per Lion by 1 February 2015 based upon the known membership as at 31 December 2014"

EXPLANATORY NOTE: Article IV Section 1 of District 105D Constitution (as adopted March 1984 – with amendments to March 2013) reads:

(a) (i) *To provide revenue to defray administration and Convention expenses of the District, and such other matters as the Governor or Cabinet shall from time to time deem fit, a Per Capita levy for a Year shall be collected from each Club by the District Treasurer at such times and in such amounts as shall be passed by way of Resolution proposed by District Cabinet at Convention held in the previous Year.*

(ii) *In the event that any Resolution to determine a Per-Capita levy for a Year is not passed at Convention held in the previous Year, the amounts collectable from each Club for the Year shall remain those as determined at the most recent preceding Convention.*

(b) *Clubs organised or re-organised during the Year shall be liable to pay per-capita dues calculated on a pro-rata basis commencing from the first day of the month following the date of their organisation or re-organisation meeting.*

(c) *From and after 1 July 2000 Cabinet shall be empowered to levy a carrying charge, not exceeding £10.00p as shall be determined at their first meeting in the Year, on any Per-Capita Levy not settled in full by the due date.*

The anticipated costs for running the District equate to £16,545. The District Cabinet considered the membership number should be 1310 for budget purposes. This would make the dues £12.63 per member. After discussion the Committee recommended that the dues should be £11 per member for 2014 – 2015.

Resolution 3

Proposed by the District Cabinet

This Convention resolves that :

Article III Section 1(f) of the District Constitution be amended by adding after the words "District Governor" the words "First and Second Vice District Governors" so that the Section will read:

"The Officers listed in sub sections (b)(i) to (b)(iii) of this section, together with the District Governor, First and Second Vice District Governors and, if appointed, the Region Chairmen shall constitute the Officers of this District.

EXPLANATORY NOTE: This change was an unforeseen 'knock on' from changes made to the Constitution at Convention 2013 and is required to bring our Constitution into line with Lions Clubs International requirements.

Resolution 4

Proposed by the District Cabinet

This Convention resolves that :

Article III Section 2(a) of the District Constitution be amended to read:

"The Governor shall convene a meeting of the Cabinet during the month of July of the year and in conjunction with Convention. He shall convene a maximum of three further meetings of the Cabinet during the year except that, if any scheduled Cabinet meeting is not quorate, an extra meeting may be convened if required for the purpose of conducting District business.

Additionally, in an emergency and when so agreed by a majority of the voting members of the cabinet, the Governor may convene a Special Meeting of the district cabinet and must do so on receipt of a request to do so from a majority of the voting members of the Cabinet, by the District Secretary or the Governor."

EXPLANATORY NOTE: In recent years, District Governors have conducted all the business of the District with four full meetings and the pre-Convention meeting. The effect of this resolution is to limit any future District Governor from changing this and thus potentially increasing costs to the District at a time when we are committed to reducing costs. The section highlighted in yellow is required to maintain compliance with LCI requirements.

Resolution 5

Proposed by the District Cabinet

This Convention resolves that :

Article IV Section 5(a) of the District Constitution be amended to read, "Each Year the Immediate Past Governor (acting as Chairman), First Vice Governor, Second Vice Governor, District Secretary and District Treasurer shall be the Permanent Finance Committee of the District."

EXPLANATORY NOTE: Since the inclusion of the Vice Governors on the Finance Committee, the current composition has made the committee too large. To rectify this, being aware of the financial constraints on the District budget, and that currently an individual could remain on this committee for a total of 6 years, Cabinet proposes the Resolution as stated above. Sections 5(b) (setting out the duties of the committee) and 5(c) (permitting the committee, with Cabinet approval, to co-opt up to two additional Lions with appropriate specialist knowledge) remain as at present.