

Guidelines Management Policies and Procedures

ARTICLE IV

Special Committees

Section 2, Nominating Committee for District Governor

The selection of nominees for DG shall be by Nominating Committee as provided in the RI Bylaws, except that if there shall be candidates in addition to the candidate proposed by the Nominating Committee, then and in that event, balloting shall be as provided in the RI Bylaws and as listed below. The selection and qualifications for DGN are outlined in the Manual of Procedure.

District Nominating Committee

There shall be a District Nominating Committee and it shall meet annually to nominate a candidate to become the DGND and shall serve as the DGND until the end of the current Rotary year in which the DGND was selected. The DGND shall then become DGN upon completion of the Rotary year in which the DGND was selected. The DGN selected and approved will become DGE the following year upon election at the RI Convention and will succeed to DG the following year. The Nominating Committee for DG shall be composed of the following:

- 1) The immediate PDG who will serve as Chair and who will vote only in case of a tie;
- 2) The current DG, DGE and DGN will serve ex-officio and will not vote;
- 3) The committee shall consist of ten (10) members: four (4) PDGs and six (6) members who have served a full term as Club President within The District.

The six past Club Presidents, and four PDGs, shall be selected from geographic regions of the District to provide equitable representation.

It is the responsibility of the DGE to define geographic regions for purposes of selecting six past Club Presidents and four PDGs nominating committee members. For example: One member from a region consisting of Alleghany, Ashe, Wilkes, Alexander and Iredell Counties; One member from a region consisting of Cleveland and Gaston Counties; One member from a region consisting of Cabarrus, Rowan and Stanley Counties; One member from a region consisting of Anson, Richmond and Union Counties; Two members from a region consisting of Mecklenburg County

The Chair of the Committee, after consulting with the DG and AG's, will recommend the members of the Committee for the DG's approval. No Committee member shall be a nominee for DG. In the event a person is nominated for DG by the club of a Committee member, the DG will appoint a new member from the same geographic region to replace that member. In the event a PDG member must be replaced, the DG will appoint another PDG. No member of the Committee shall serve more than two (2) consecutive one-year terms but can again serve after a one-year absence from the committee. All actions taken shall be by majority vote of those present and voting. Six (6) members of the Committee constitute a quorum for voting purposes; and, only members of the Nominating Committee are to be present during any official meeting of the Committee unless otherwise authorized by the DG.

In accordance with RI Bylaws the following time schedule and nominating procedures have been established for The District. The Nominating Committee for DG shall be charged with the duty to seek out and propose the best available candidate for DGN.

Time Schedule and Nominating Procedures

In the fall of each Rotary year the DG issues in name of the Nominating Committee an invitation to Clubs to submit suggestions for DGN for consideration by the Nominating Committee. The suggestion must be submitted on the Required Nomination Form and include a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Club, properly certified by the Club Secretary naming the candidate and including information and data on the



background and Rotary activities of the suggested candidate. This information is to be mailed to the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee.

The DG and the chairperson of the Nominating Committee shall establish the date or deadline for the Clubs' suggestions to be received by the Nominating Committee as well as a schedule for the Nominating Committee to interview and select the DGND and to notify the Clubs of the District in accordance with RI Bylaws and regulations for the selection process. A candidate must be interviewed by the Nominating Committee to be selected a DGND.

For the avoidance of doubt, a candidate for DGND must have been an active Rotarian for a minimum of seven years and shall be a Past Club President who has completed his or her term as Club President. A candidate must be active in his or her club as well as active in The District and must be a knowledgeable Rotarian.

To ensure the integrity of the nominating process, neither members of the Nominating Committees nor the candidates for DGND should know the names of the members of the Nominating Committee or the names of the other candidates prior to the interviewing of candidates.

In accordance with schedule of the nominating process for DGND, the DG shall notify the Clubs of the nominee of the Nominating Committee and of the date by which a Club may propose the name of a candidate for DGND whose name has previously been proposed to the Nominating Committee and who has been interviewed by the Nominating Committee by filing with the DG a resolution of their Club adopted at a regular meeting thereof, naming the candidate for DGND. If, by the date of proposal, no such nomination has been received by the DG, then the DG shall declare the candidate of the District Nominating Committee to be the DGND and shall notify the Clubs in the District.

If any nomination has been received by the DG from a club as set forth above, then in accordance with the nominating schedule, the DG shall notify all clubs in the district and thereupon the selection of the DGND shall be conducted by either ballot by mail or ballot by electronic mail or means. The only candidates to be included on such ballot shall be the candidate proposed by the District Nominating Committee (who shall be so designated) and the candidate or candidates properly nominated by a club following the report of the Nominating Committee.

Ballot by Mail or by Electronic Mail or Means

Should balloting by mail or by electronic mail or means be required, the DG shall prepare and mail to the Clubs a ballot giving the name of the candidates and proposers. The candidate selected by the Nominating Committee shall show the District Nominating Committee as the proposer and shall be listed first on the ballot. All other candidates shall be listed alphabetically by name. The time frame and requirements above governs the names to be listed. A ballot is to be sent to each Club with instructions that the ballot with its vote or votes cast must be returned to and received on or before a date to be fixed by the DG, which shall be not less than fifteen days nor more than thirty days following the date of the DG's mailing of the ballots to the Clubs. Each Club shall be entitled to one vote for each twenty-five members or major fraction thereof, based upon the number of members of the Club as of the last day of November. The candidate receiving the most votes shall be declared the winner. The name of the nominee shall be certified by the DG to the General Secretary, and the DG shall at once notify the candidates of the selection.