



MULTIPLE DISTRICT 49



Council of Governors

Alaska, USA



Yukon Territory, Northwest Territory, British Columbia, Canada

March 29, 2006

Lions Clubs of Multiple District 49

Dear Lions;

In accordance with the constitution and bylaws of Multiple District 49, the attached proposed constitution and bylaws changes have been duly submitted to their district governor for consideration at a midwinter conference; acted on by a district cabinet; returned to the club of origin; submitted to the appropriate constitution and bylaws chairperson; and are now forwarded to each Lions Club within Multiple District 49, in preparation for an up-or-down vote at the 2006 MD49 Convention, in Anchorage, Alaska.

It is imperative each club give due consideration to these proposed changes. Each Lions Club's convention delegates are empowered to act on these changes, and therefore should be conversant in the stance for which their home club has on each of these changes.

As of November 29, 2005, this notice has been sent out hard copy to every MD49 Lions Club; and forwarded to each district for electronic dissemination as well.

Sincerely,

// SIGNED //

Howard S. Rixie Sr.

Past District Governor

MD49 Constitution & Bylaws Chairperson

2006 BALLOT MD 49 CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS—PROPOSED CHANGES:

AFFECTED SECTION	PROPOSED CHANGE	District 49B Cabinet Recommends	CHOOSE ONE
<p>MD49 Bylaws-Article VIII, Section 2.</p> <p>Distribution: The policy manual shall be printed annually, whether or not amended during the year, and distributed with minutes of the previous annual convention.</p>	<p>Change MD49001 ADD to Section 2: Based upon the preferences of each sub-district’s governor, distribution may be completed by way of ground postal services and/or electronic e-mail.</p> <p>Rationale: This change brings the constitution and bylaws into alignment with contemporary means of communicating. It puts the burden on the respective district governors to choose their means of delivery. This change also has the potential of saving MD49 funds that would normally be spent on postage. This year the budgeted amount is \$500.</p>	<p>Un-conditional Pass</p>	<p>PASS <input type="checkbox"/></p> <hr/> <p>DO NOT PASS <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>MD49 Constitution-Article V, Section 1</p> <p>Section 1. There shall be a Council of Governors composed of the District Governors in the Multiple District. There will be one (1) Past District Governor, who is elected Chairman of the Council of Governors. Each member of the Council shall have one (1) vote on each question requiring action of the Council.</p>	<p>Change MD49002 Add to Section 1. (after first sentence) “Chairman of the Council of Governors candidates shall be accepted from each sub-district on a rotational basis”</p> <p>RATIONAL FOR CHANGE: This change is merely a housekeeping change. Traditionally, through a hand-shake agreement, candidates for Council Chair have rotated between District 49A and District 49B. This change just puts it in writing.</p>	<p>Un-conditional Pass.</p>	<p>PASS <input type="checkbox"/></p> <hr/> <p>DO NOT PASS <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>MD49 Constitution-Article X,</p> <p>Section 4. It shall be the responsibility of the Chairman of the Council elected at the time a constitution and /or bylaws amendment is passed to have the Constitution & Bylaws updated, incorporating the amendment, and distribute copies of the updated Constitution & Bylaws to each sub-district governor and each club president in the Multiple District, within 120 days of the effective date of the amendment.</p>	<p>Change MD49003 ADD to end of Section 4: “Based upon the preferences of each sub-district’s governor, distribution may be completed by way of ground postal services and/or electronic e-mail.”</p> <p>RATIONAL FOR CHANGE: This change brings the constitution and bylaws into alignment with contemporary means of communicating. It puts the burden on the respective district governors to choose their means of delivery. This change also has the potential of saving MD49 funds that would normally be spent on postage. This year the budgeted amount is \$500.</p>	<p>Un-conditional Pass</p>	<p>PASS <input type="checkbox"/></p> <hr/> <p>DO NOT PASS <input type="checkbox"/></p>

<p>MD49 Bylaws-Article V, Section</p> <p>Section 1 An annual per capita Multiple District administrative tax of two dollars (\$2), or the equivalent thereof, shall be levied upon each member of each club in the Multiple District, except any life member who has been approved by the International Association of Lions Clubs and in which instance the club itself does not assess club dues upon the life member and shall be collected and paid in advance by each club, except newly chartered and reorganized club(s), in two semi-annual payments as follows: one dollar (\$1) US currency, or the equivalent thereof, per club member... based upon the roster of each club as of the first day of September and March respectfully.</p>	<p>Change MD49004 INSERT within Section 1a, after “life member” in first sentence: ...”and/or each student member of a campus Lions Club”...</p> <p>ADD: Section 1a. Students who wish to become members of a sub-district campus Lions Club may do so without obligation of multiple district administrative tax, for a period not-to-exceed four years, provided the student is actively enrolled in the campus’ academic curriculum, All other campus Lions Club members are subject to the Multiple District administrative tax.</p> <p>RATIONAL FOR CHANGE: The proposed changes provides an incentive for college students to become members of a campus based lions club. The incentive assumes over the course of a four-year academic period, the campus lions club will be successful in inspiring their student members to become a regular active member of a Lions club in their resident community following graduation.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Un-conditional</u> <u>Pass</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PASS <input type="checkbox"/></p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">DO NOT PASS <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>MD49 Bylaws-Article III, Section</p> <p><u>Council Secretary/Treasurer</u> Under the direction of the Council and the Chairman of the Council of Governors shall,</p> <p>A. Keep an accurate record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Council and within ten (10) days after such meeting forward copies of such meetings to all members of the Council and the office of the International Association of Lions Clubs;</p>	<p>Change MD49005 AMEND the last sentence of Section 3a, by inserting “all clubs in the Multiple District” and adding “Use of internet facilities for this notification is authorized.”</p> <p>To read: A. Keep an accurate record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Council and within ten (10) days after such meeting forward copies of such meetings to all members of the Council, all clubs in the Multiple District and the office of the International Association of Lions Clubs. Use of internet facilities for this notification is authorized;</p> <p>RATIONAL FOR CHANGE: The MD49 Council receives dues from the Lions of the Multiple District. We feel that it is not only important for those members to receive financial account reports (as required) but also reports of actions taken by the Council in their name.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Un-conditional</u> <u>Pass</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PASS <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p style="text-align: center;">DO NOT PASS <input type="checkbox"/></p>