

Governors Meeting 6/10/2017

Chair: Blanton Bessinger

Sec: Randy TARRIER

1. The budget for 2017-2018 was reviewed and approved.
2. The language in the resolution to eliminate the position of 3rd VP was reviewed and supported. The vote will take place at the AGM on Tuesday.
3. Communications Committee (TARRIER, Macdonald, Hilchey, Bessinger, and Woodroffe) reported that the intention is to use video/audio processes to facilitate better communications.
 - Useable by EC, Districts, and clubs.
 - An issue will be the knowledge and comfort level of the people involved with the product.
 - Recommendation was that conferences be at least quarterly and the first one was set for Oct 7, 2017. Recommending Webex as the product. Cost: \$29/month with annual agreement.Supported, pending successful demonstration of functionalities.

4. Summarization of Club dissolution resolution, presented Alan Pentney, PDG DVII.

Issues:

- A definition of the process is needed, and should be codified in bylaws.
- Retention of club/members is emphasized, rather than 'casual' acceptance of current process.
- Blanton will officially make the motion as described in the submitted document at the BOG.
- Disposition of club's assets (Section B.d.ii) should be that no member benefits from resignation. Allow assets to be distributed to District and/or International, if club has no instructions. Amend motion section B.d.ii-- Insert after 1st sentence: "Disposal of the net assets will conform to any laws and regulations of the jurisdiction in which the club resides." Eliminate 2nd sentence.
- Support changing the preamble: current "...organization unless a meeting scheduled for members..." - we are deleting "such application has received approval in writing" - becomes "*No member club may make application to resign from this organization unless 2/3rds of the members in good standing at a meeting scheduled for members of the club to vote on a motion to make application to resign (surrender the club charter)*".
- Change B.v – delete the 'and' after semicolon "*the requirement that members must be in good standing; and*"
- Change B.vi – quorum has to be 2/3 members in good standing; and the vote for dissolution must be carried unanimously.
- Note: this is a Bylaw change, not Constitutional change.

This resolution was supported to go to BOG meeting.

5. Open discussion of considering the schedule of the combined District/International conventions to be laid out such that attendees could choose to attend one part, e.g., the District meeting could be Days 1 & 2, followed by Int'l meeting days 3 & 4. No motions were made but support was indicated that EC and BOG have more discussion, possibly prior to or at 2018 AGM.

6. Resolution to review the duties of the position of GI Sec-Treasurer and consider if it be a volunteer position, presented by Saul Hilchey, governor DIV. (It was noted that the PDG recommended that the position be reviewed, but did not include commentary on the position becoming voluntary.)

Discussion points made:

- There is merit in review, but concerns about presupposing that it become voluntary. That outcome may be determined, but it shouldn't be predetermined.

- Review needs scope of work statement – are we reviewing a position, or all of what a person is doing currently?
- What group will do assessment?
 - Consensus was that it would be led by new GI president, and include 3 sitting Governors, appointed by the president.
- The review needs to cover succession plans for website & database administration duties, as well as Sec-Treasurer responsibilities.
- Review of the office in Painesville should be included.
- Remuneration for position Sec-Treasurer is in Constitution, and is structured by EC. EC needs to support non-EC members being part of review, perhaps setting up an Advisory Group.
- The overlapping responsibilities of finances, between Emil and Ken Baker need to be covered. (Ken activities in this area are currently voluntary.)
- D-IV feels strongly that this review and consideration for voluntary status of the position should be done, and noted that considerable expense savings would result if that did occur. The motion was amended to include: “Review committee includes EC & at least 3 district governors, and that the review should be concluded by 12/31/2017.”
- The vote was: 6 for and 3 against. Therefore the motion passed and was placed on agenda of BOG meeting.

7. Blanton Bessinger was nominated for chairman of meeting of governors in 2018; there was no dissent and he accepted.

8. There being no further business, the governors meeting was adjourned back to the BOG meeting.

Submitted by,

Blanton Bessinger, Gov DVII
Chair

Randy Tarrier, Gov DI
Secretary