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CONSTITUTION EL PASO DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB

Let it be known that "The International Association of Lions Clubs", or "Lions Clubs International" can be referred to as the "Association" in this document.

ARTICLE I

Name, Slogan and Motto

Section A. The El Paso DOWNTOWN LIONS

CLUB was originally chartered as the **LIONS CLUB OF EL PASO** on August 16, 1923, with 53 charter members. The club has the distinction of being the oldest Lions Club in District 2 T-3. As more clubs were organized in the El Paso area in the 1950's, and in order to maintain its unique identity, the name was changed from **LIONS CLUB OF EL PASO** to the **EL PASO DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB** on August 12, 1955.

Section B. Its slogan shall be: Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety.

Section C. Its motto shall be: We Serve.

ARTICLE II Purposes and Objects.

The objects of this club shall be:

- A. To create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.
- B. To promote the principles of good government and good citizenship.
- C. To take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.
- D. To unite the members in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.
- E. To provide a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members at Club functions.
- F. To encourage service-minded men to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce industry, professions, public works and private endeavors.

ARTICLE III Membership

Section A. Subject to the provisions of Section B hereinafter, any person of legal majority and good moral character and good reputation in his community, may be granted membership in this Lions Club. Wherever the male gender or pronoun presently appears in the Constitution and By-Laws, it shall be interpreted to mean both male and female persons.

Section B. Membership in this Lions Club shall be as follows:

(1) **ACTIVE.** A member entitled to all rights and privileges and subject to all obligations which membership in a Lions Club confers or implies. Without limiting such rights and obligations, such rights shall include eligibility to seek, if otherwise qualified, any office in this club, District or Association. And the right to vote on all matters requiring a vote of the membership; and such obligations shall include regular attendance, prompt payment of dues, participation in club activities and conduct reflecting a favorable image of this Lions Club in the Community. As provided in the Family Membership Program criteria, qualifying family members shall be Active Members and be entitled to all rights and privileges thereof. As provided in the Student Member Program criteria, qualifying student, former Leo and young adult members shall be Active Members and be entitled to all rights and privileges thereof.

2) **MEMBERS-AT-LARGE:** A member of this club who has moved from the community, or because of health or other legitimate reason, is unable to attend club meetings and desires to retain membership in this club and upon whom the Board of Directors of this club desire to confer this status. A Member-At-Large shall not be eligible to hold office or to vote in District or International meetings or conventions, but shall pay such dues as this club may charge, which dues shall include District and International dues.

(3) **HONORARY:** An Individual, not a member of this Lions Club, having performed outstanding service for the community or this Lions Club, upon whom this club desires to confer special distinction. This club shall pay entrance fees and International and District dues on such a member, who may attend meetings, but shall not be entitled to any privileges of Active Membership.

(4) **PRIVILEGED:** A member of this club, who has been a Lion fifteen (15) years or more, who, because of illness, infirmities, advanced age or other legitimate reason, as determined by the Board of Directors of this Club, must relinquish his Active status. A Privileged Member shall pay such dues as this club may charge, which dues shall include District and International dues. He shall have the right to vote and be entitled to all other privileges of membership except the right to hold club, District or International Office.

(5) **LIFE MEMBER:** Any member of this club who has maintained continuous Active membership as a Lion for twenty-five (25) or more years and has rendered outstanding service to this club, his community, or this Association ; or any member of this club who has maintained such continuous Active membership for fifteen (15) or more years and is at least seventy (70) years of age; or any member of this club who has maintained such continuous Active membership for twenty (20) or more years and has served as an Officer of this club or Association, may be granted Life Membership in this club upon:

- (a) Recommendation of this club to the Association,
- (b) Payment to the Association of the current Association fee by this club in lieu of all future dues to the Association. A Life Member shall pay such dues as charged by the Club, District and Multiple District (State).

A Life Member shall have all the privileges of Active Membership so long as he fulfills all obligations thereof.

A Life Member who desires to relocate and received an invitation to join another Lions Club shall automatically become a Life Member of such Club.

Section C. No person shall simultaneously hold but one type of membership, in

this or any other Lions Club;

Section D. Membership in this Lions Club shall be acquired by invitation only. Nominations shall be made on forms provided by the International Office, which shall be signed by a member in good standing who shall act as sponsor. The application for membership shall then be submitted to the Membership Chairman or Secretary for review and investigation, who shall submit to the Board of Directors for approval. If approved by a majority of said Board, the prospective member will then be requested to attend an orientation session regarding Lionism in general, and the specific financial and service obligations to the club. A properly completed membership form and membership fee must be in the hands of the Club Secretary before the individual may be officially inducted into the club or be reported to the Association as a club member.

Section E. Reinstatement of Membership:

Any members dropped from membership in this club may be reinstated, within six (6) months from the date of termination of his membership by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. In the event more than six (6) months have elapsed between the termination and his reinstatement application, it will be necessary for him to come into the club under the procedure set forth in Section F of this Article III.

Section F. Transfer Membership: This club may grant membership on a transfer basis to one who has terminated or is terminating his membership in another Lions Club, provided that (1) a completed transfer member form is received by the secretary of this club within six (6) months following the date of termination of membership in his former club or if the form is not available, the member's current membership card; (2) such termination was in good standing; and (3) such member form or membership card is approved by the Board of Directors. If more than six (6) months have elapsed between termination of his membership in another club and submittal of completed transfer form or current membership card, he may acquire membership in this club only under the provisions of Section F of this Article III.

ARTICLE IV Fees and Dues

Section A. Each new, reinstated and transfer member shall pay an entrance fee, which fee shall include the current Association entrance fee and current cost of an El Paso Downtown Lions Club vest and be collected before such member is enrolled as a member of this club and before the Secretary may report such member to Lions Club International; Provided, however, that the Board of Directors may elect to waive all or any part of the club portion of said entrance fee as to any member granted membership by transfer or reinstatement within six (6) months of termination of his prior Lions Club Membership.

Section B. Each member of this club shall pay regular annual dues as established by the International Board of Directors, which dues shall include an amount to cover current International administrative and annual convention costs as well as the subscription price of the Lions Magazine, and shall be paid in advance.

Additionally, each member of this club shall pay regular annual dues as established and approved by the Texas Council of Governors and the District Governor's Cabinet, which dues shall include an amount to cover State and District administrative and annual convention costs, as well as a remittance in support of the operation of the Texas Lions Camp.

The Treasurer of this club shall remit the International, State and district dues to the parties on July 1 and January 1, or as billed by International, State or District, of each year.

This Club may require any member to pay club meeting luncheon costs in advance of any luncheon, but such cost shall not be assessed as part of regular annual dues.

No dues, fees or assessments in addition to those set forth herein may be levied on, or required of, any member by this club, its Board of Directors or any officer or member of this club.

ARTICLE VI

Forfeiture of Membership

Section A. The Treasurer shall submit to the Board of Directors the name of any member who fails to pay any indebtedness due this club within ninety (90) days after receipt from the Treasurer of the monthly Club statement thereof. The Board shall thereafter decide whether the member shall be dropped from or retained on the roster.

Section B. Any member may be expelled from the club for cause by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII Officers

Section A. The officers of this club shall be a President, Immediate Past President, First Vice-President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Lion Tamer, Tail Twister and all directors.

Section B. No person shall be eligible to hold office in this club unless he is an Active member in good standing.

Section C. No officer shall receive any compensation for any service rendered to this club in his official capacity with the exception of the Secretary and Treasurer, whose compensation, if any, shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

Section D. Qualifications for Office.

(1) To be eligible to run for the offices of Secretary, Treasurer, Director, Lion Tamer or Tail Twister, a candidate must have been an Active member in good standing for at least one (1) year. Special circumstances will allow the Board of Directors to waive this requirement.

(2) Vice-President Incumbents shall normally progress through the chairs uncontested to the Office of President. In the event there is a vacancy, or for good reason, a member wishes to challenge an incumbent Vice-President, then that member must meet the following qualifications:

(a) Be an Active member in good standing, and

(b) Have served as a club officer for at least three (3) years **provided, however, in the case of a vacancy, a candidate for First or Second Vice-President shall have served as a club officer for at least two (2) years.** And

(c) For Second Vice-President, be an Active member in good standing for four at least (4) years, and

(d) For First Vice-President, be an Active member in good standing for at least

five (5) years, and

(e) For President be an Active member in good standing for at least six (6) years.

Section E. Duties:

(1) **PRESIDENT:** Shall be the Chief Executive Officer of this club; preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and this club; issue the call for regular and special meetings of the Board of Directors and the club, appoint the Standing and Special Committees of this club and cooperate with chairmen thereof to effect regular functioning and reporting of such committees; see that regular elections are duly called, noticed and held; and cooperate with, and be an active member of, the District Governor's Advisory Committee of the Zone in which this club is located. Be an active member of El Paso President's Council's monthly meetings.

(2) **IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT:** He shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors, and serve as Chairman of the Advisory Committee to the President which shall be composed of Past Presidents. The Immediate Past President shall also serve as Chairman of the Nominations Committee.

(3) **VICE-PRESIDENT:** If the President is unable to perform the duties of his Office for any reason, the Vice President next in rank shall occupy the position and perform his duties with the same authority as the President. Each Vice-President shall, under the direction of the President, assist directors to oversee the functioning of such committees as the President shall designate.

Each Vice-President shall, in the absence of the committee chairman or designated Director, submit progress reports of committee activities at the monthly Board of Directors meeting as required.

(4) **SECRETARY:**

Shall be under the supervision and direction of the President and the Board of Directors and shall act as liaison officer between the club and the District, State and Lions International. In fulfillment of this, he shall:

(a) Submit regular monthly and other reports to the International Office of the Association on blanks provided by it, containing such information as may be called for therein and otherwise directed by the Board of Directors of the Association ;

(b) Submit to the District Governor's Cabinet such reports as it may require including copies of regular membership and activities reports;

(c) Cooperate with and be an Active Member of the District Governor's Advisory Committee of the Zone in which this club is located;

(d) Be an active member of the monthly President's Council meetings

(e) Have custody and keep and maintain general records of this club, including records of minutes of club and Board meetings; attendance; committee appointments; elections classifications (if any); addresses and telephone numbers of members;;

(e) Give bond for the faithful discharge of his office in such sum and with such surety as determined by the Board of Directors.

(5) TREASURER:

Shall:

- a) Issue monthly statements to each member for dues and other financial obligations owed to this club.

- b) Receive all moneys, from the members and otherwise, and deposit same in a bank or banks recommended by the Finance Committee and approved by the Board of Directors;

- c) Payout moneys in payments of club obligations only on authority given by the Board of Directors. All checks and vouchers shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by one other authorized individual, as determined by the Board of Directors;

- d) Have custody and keep and maintain general records of club receipts and disbursements;

- e) Prepare and submit monthly financial reports to the Board of Directors of this club;

- f) Give bond for the faithful discharge of his office in such sum and such surety as determined by the Board of Directors.

- g) Make available all financial records to Persons or Business all financial records for annual review

(6) LION TAMER:

The Lion Tamer shall have charge of and be responsible for the property and paraphernalia of the club, including flags, banners, gong, gavel, song books and button board. He shall put each in its proper place before each meeting and return the same to the property storage area after each meeting. He shall act as sergeant-at-arms at meetings, see that those present are properly seated, and distribute bulletins, favors and literature as required at club and Board meetings. He shall give special attention to assure that each new member sits with a different group at each meeting so that he can become better acquainted.

(7) TAIL TWISTER:

He shall promote harmony, good fellowship, life and enthusiasm in the meetings through appropriate stunts and games and the judicious imposition of reasonable fines on club members. There shall be no appeal from his decisions in imposing a reasonable fine, and the Tail Twister shall not be fined except by unanimous vote of all members present. Any fine made by the Tail Twister may be cancelled by the Tail Twister. All moneys collected by the Tail Twister shall be timely turned over to the Treasurer and a receipt be given therefore shall be given.

(8) MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR:

The Membership Director shall be the chairman of the membership committee. The responsibilities for this position shall be:

- (a) Development of a growth program specifically for the club and presented to the Board of Directors for approval;

- (b) Regular encouragement at club meetings to bring in new qualified members;
- (c) Preparation and implementation of orientation sessions;
- (d) Reporting to the board of Directors on ways to reduce the loss of members;
- (e) Coordination with other club committees in fulfilling these responsibilities;
- (f) Serving as a member of the zone level membership committee.
- (g) Shall be a voting member of the Board of Directors.

(9)DIRECTORS:

All elected Directors, in addition to the responsibilities outlined in ARTICLE VIII below, shall oversee the functioning of such committees of this club as the President shall designate. Each Director shall report at the monthly Board of Directors meeting, the progress of the activities of each committee to which assigned.

ARTICLE VIII Board of Directors

Section A. The members of the Board of Directors shall be the President, Immediate Past President, the Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, Lion Tamer, Tail Twister, Membership Director, and all elected Directors.

Section B. Regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held monthly at such time and place as the Board shall determine.

Section C. Special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held when called by the President, or when requested by five (5) or more members of the Board of Directors, at such time and place as the President shall determine.

Section D. The presence in person of a majority of its members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors. Except as otherwise specifically provided, the act of a majority of the Directors present at any meeting of the Board shall be the act and decision of the entire Board of Directors.

Section E. Duties and Powers: In addition to those duties and powers, express and implied, set forth elsewhere in this Constitution and By-Laws, the Board of Directors shall have the following duties and powers:

(1) It shall constitute the Executive Board of this club and be responsible for the execution, through the club officers, of the policies approved by the club. All new business and policy of this club shall be considered and shaped, first, by the Board of Directors for presentation to and approval by the club members at a regular or special club meeting.

(2) It shall authorize all expenditures and shall not create any indebtedness beyond the current income of this club, nor authorize disbursement of the club funds for purposes inconsistent with the business policy authorized by the club membership.

(3) It shall have power to modify, override or rescind the action of any officer of this club.

(4) It shall have the books, accounts and operations of this club reviewed annually or, in its discretion, more frequently and may require an accounting or have a review made of the handling of any club funds by any officer, committee or member of this club. Any member of this club in good Standing may inspect any such review or accounting upon request at a reasonable time and place.

(5) It shall appoint, on recommendation of the Finance Committee, a bank or banks for the deposit of the funds of this club.

(6) It shall appoint the surety for the bonding of any officer of this club.

(7) It shall not authorize, nor permit, the expenditure, for any administrative purposes, of the net income of projects or activities of this club by which funds are raised from the public.

(8) It shall submit all matters of new business or policy to the respective Standing or Special Committee for study and recommendation to the Board.

(9) It shall name and appoint, subject to approval of the club membership, the delegates and alternates of this club to District, State and International Conventions.

Section E. Subject to the provisions of Section H of this Article IX, all officers, other than Directors, shall be elected annually and shall take office on July 1st, and shall hold office for one year from that date, or until their successors have been elected and qualified.

ARTICLE IX

Elections

The officers of this club, excluding the Immediate Past President, shall be elected as follows:

Section A. The Immediate Past President, or in case of incapacity a designated Past President, shall chair the Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee shall be composed of all Past Presidents who wish to serve. A nominating meeting shall be held in March of each year, notice thereof (by publication in the Lions Tale) mailed to each member of this club at least ten (10) days prior to the time of the holding thereof. This notice shall contain a schedule of events, i.e., dates of nomination report, campaign and elections.

Section B. The Nomination Committee shall submit the names of candidates for the various club offices to the club at the nomination meeting. At this meeting nominations for all offices to be filled in the succeeding year may also be made from the floor.

Section C. If in the interim between the nomination meeting and the election meeting, any nominee is unable for any reason to serve in the office to which he was nominated and for which office there were no other nominees, the Nomination Committee shall submit, at the election meeting, names of additional nominees for that office.

Section D. An election meeting shall be held no later than April 15 of each year, at a time and place determined by the Board of Directors, and two (2) weeks prior written notice thereof shall be given to each member of the club by the Secretary, by mail, electronic transmission, or personal delivery. Such notices

shall include the names of all nominees approved at the preceding nomination meeting, and subject to Section C above, a statement that these nominees will be voted upon at this election meeting. No nominations may be made from the floor at the election meeting.

Section E. Subject to the provisions of Section H of this Article IX, all officers, other than Directors, shall be elected annually and shall take office on July 1st, and shall hold office for one year from that date, or until their successors have been elected and qualified.

Section F. A Membership Committee shall be composed of three members. The Membership Chair will be elected for a 2 year term. The 1st Vice President and the 2nd Vice President will be members of the membership committee. The 1st Vice President will serve as Retention Chair, and the 2nd Vice President will serve as Extension Chair. The membership committee will be responsible for providing an Orientation presentation to all new members.

Section G. One-half (1/2) of the Directors shall be elected annually and shall take office on the July 1st next following their election, and shall hold office for two (2) years from that time, or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified.

Section H. The election shall be by ballot by those present and qualified to vote. A plurality vote shall be necessary to elect.

Section I. Removal: Any officer of this club may be removed from the office for good cause by two-thirds (2/3) vote of this entire club membership.

ARTICLE X

Vacancies

Section A. If the office of President or of any Vice-President shall become vacant for any reason, the Vice-Presidents shall advance in office, according to their rank **should they so desire**. In the event such provision for advancement shall fail to fill the office of President, or First or Second Vice-President, the Board of Directors shall there on call a special election, giving two (2) weeks' notice of the time and place thereof, which time and place shall be determined by said Board, and such office shall be filled at same term **time**.

In the event of a vacancy in the office of the Third Vice-President, the Board of Directors shall appoint a member to fill the unexpired term. Such appointment shall pertain to the unexpired term only. Subsequently, the position of Second Vice-President, as well as Third Vice-President shall be considered as contested positions.

In the event of a vacancy in any other office, the Board of Directors shall appoint a qualified member to fill the unexpired term.

In the event vacancies shall be of such number as to reduce the number of Directors to less than the number required for a quorum, the membership of the club shall have the power to fill such vacancies by an election at any regular meeting of the club upon prior notice, and given by any remaining officer or Director, but if none, then by a member.

Section B. In the event any officer-elect, before his term of office commences, is unable or refuses for any reason to serve therein, the President may call a special nomination and election meeting to elect a replacement for such officer-elect. Two (2) weeks prior notice of such meeting, setting forth the purpose, time and place thereof, shall be given to each member, by mail or personal

delivery. The election shall be given to each member, by mail or personal delivery. The election shall be held immediately after nominations have been closed and a plurality vote shall be necessary for election.

ARTICLE XI

Meetings

Section A. Regular meetings of this club shall be held, no less than twice each month, at a time and place recommended by the Board of Directors, and approved by the membership. All meetings shall begin and end promptly at the regular set times. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Constitution and By-Laws, notice of regular meetings shall be given in such manner as the Board of Directors deems proper.

Section B. Special meetings of this club may be called by the President, in his discretion, and shall be called by the President when requested by the Board of Directors, at a time and place determined by the person or body requesting the same. Notice of special meetings setting forth the purpose, time and place thereof shall be given to each member of this club, by mail or personal delivery, at least ten (10) days prior to the date thereof.

Section C. A Charter Night anniversary meeting of this club may be held each year, at which time special attention shall be devoted to the objects and ethics of Lionism, and the history of this club.

Section D. An annual meeting of this club shall be held in June of each year at which meeting the final reports of the retiring officers shall be read and newly elected officers shall be installed.

Section E. The presence in person of a majority of the members in good standing shall be necessary for a quorum at any meeting of this club.

Section F. Any member who fails to pay indebtedness due this club within ninety (90) days or a reasonable time, after receipt from the Treasurer of written notice thereof shall thereon forfeit his good standing and shall so remain until such indebtedness is paid in full. Only members in good standing may exercise the voting privilege and hold office in this club.

Section G. Except as otherwise specifically provided, the act of a majority of the members present at any meeting shall be the act and decision of the entire club.

ARTICLE XII

Emblems, Colors, fiscal Year

Section A. The emblem and colors of this club shall be the same as the emblem and colors of the International Association of Lions Clubs.

Section B. The fiscal year of this club shall be July 1 through June 30.

Article XIII

Delegates to International and State and Districts Conventions

Section A. In as much as the International Association of Lions Clubs is governed by Lions Clubs in convention assembled, and in order that this club may have its voice in Association matters, this club shall have the power to pay the necessary

expenses of its delegates to each annual convention of the Association. This club shall be entitled in any convention of this Association, to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for every twenty-five (25), or major fraction thereof, of its members as shown by the records of the International Office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held, provided, however, that this club shall be entitled to at least one (1) delegate and (one) alternate. The major fraction referred to in this section shall be thirteen (13) or more members. The selection of each such delegate and alternate shall be evidenced by a certificate signed by the President or Secretary or any other duly authorized officer of this club, or, in the event no such club officer is in attendance at the Convention, by the District Governor or District Governor-Elect of the District of which this club is a member.

Section B. Inasmuch as all District matters are presented and adopted at the District conventions, this club shall send its full quota of delegates to all such conventions and have the power to pay the necessary expenses of such delegates attending such conventions. This club shall be entitled in each annual convention of its District to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, or major fraction thereof, of this club as shown by the records of the International Office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held, PROVIDED, however, that this club shall be entitled to at least one (1) delegate and (1) alternate. Each certified delegate present in person shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote of his choice on each question submitted to, the respective convention. The major or fraction referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members.

Section C. The President-Elect or other designated representative of this club MAY receive per diem and travel expense to attend the International Convention as approved by the Board of Directors, and not create any indebtedness to the Club.

Section D. The President, or a designated representative, and the club Secretary, or a designated representative, and any other Active Club members in good standing are entitled to receive registration fees and meal fees, to attend all District 2-T-3 cabinet meetings and the District convention, as approved by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XIV

Honorary Mailing List

The International Association of Lions Club President, the District Governor, and all 2-T3 past District Governors, and any interested advertisers on the newsletter shall be included on the mailing list of this club.

ARTICLE XV

Parliamentary Practices

Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Constitution and By-Laws, all questions of Order of Procedure with respect to any meeting or action of this club, its Board of Directors or any committee hereunder shall be determined in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, as revised from time to time.

ARTICLE XVI Amendment

Section A. This Constitution may be amended at any regular or special meeting of

this club, at which a quorum is present, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present in person and voting, provided the Board has previously considered and approved the merits of the proposed amendments.

Section B. No amendments shall be put to a vote, unless written notice thereof, stating the proposed amendment, shall have been mailed or delivered personally to each member of this club at least two (2) weeks prior to the meeting at which the vote on the proposed amendment is to be taken.

Section C. A copy of all approved amendments shall be affixed to the basic document and attested by the Club Secretary.

BY-LAWS

No. 1

This club shall not endorse or recommend any candidate for public office, nor shall any partisan politics or sectarian religion be debated by members in meetings of this club.

No. 2

Except to further his progress in Lionism, no officer or member of this club shall use his membership as a means of furthering any personal, political, or other aspiration, nor shall the club, as a whole, take part in any movement not in keeping with its purposes and objects.

No. 3

No funds shall be solicited from members of the club during meetings by any individual or individuals who are not members of the club. Any suggestion or proposition made at any meeting of this club calling for the expenditure of money for other than the regular obligations shall be referred to the Finance Committee.

No. 4

Section A. The following Standing Committees may be appointed by the President:

- (1) Administrative committees
 - (a) Advisory (All El Paso Downtown Past Presidents)
 - (b) Constitution and By-Laws
 - (c) Conventions, Cabinet Meetings
 - (d) Finance
 - (e) Greeters
 - (f) Health and Welfare
 - (g) Information Technology - Website
 - (h) Lions Tale Newsletter

(i) Nominations - (All El Paso Downtown Past Presidents) The Immediate Past President shall be Chair of the Nominations Committee

(j) Publicity

(k) Programs - to include Lions Information programs

(l) Thought or History trivia for the Day

(m) Strategic Steering Long Range Planning

(2) Activities Committees

(a) Dinner with the Miners

(b) Opportunities for Youth Contests)

(c) Military Affairs

(d) Salvation Army

(e) School Safety Patrol

(f) Lions for Vision

(g) West Texas Lions Eye Health Foundation,

(h) White Cane Day

(i) Social/Visitations

(j) Sun Bowl Parade Float

(k) Texas Lions Camp

(l) Eye Glass Recycling

(m) Inkjet, Laser, cell Phone Recycling

(n) Awards

1. Melvin Jones Fellow committee consists of all El Paso Downtown Melvin Jones Fellows. The most recently appointed Melvin Jones fellow will call a meeting in February or March of each year to determine next Melvin Jones recipient.

2. Texas Lions Fellow committee consists of all El Paso Downtown Texas Lions Fellows. The most recently appointed Texas Lions Fellow will call a meeting in February of each year to determine next year's recipient.

3. All other Club awards to be determined by points kept by secretary for attendance and participation by Club members presented to Board of Directors in February or March each year.

Every effort is to be made to appoint a Vice or Co-Chairman to each committee (Administrative or Activities) who shall succeed the incumbent chairman so as to lend continuity to each committee. Additionally, the President may in his judgment, group certain committees as a sub-group for more effective administration.

Other activities of Lionism for which committees may be appointed are: Citizenship Services, Educational Services, Health Services, Leo Club Program, Social Services, Recreational Services, International Youth Camps and Youth Exchange.

Section B. Special committees: From time to time, the President may appoint, with the approval of the Board of Directors, such Special Committees as may be necessary in his judgment or the judgment of the Board of Directors.

Section C. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

Section D. All committees shall consist of a chairman, vice-chairman, and, subject to Section B above, as many members as shall be considered necessary by the President.

Section E. Each committee, through its chairman, shall report, either verbally or in writing, each month to the Board of Directors.

Section F. All problems pertaining to either administrative or activity matters shall be referred to the corresponding committee for study and recommendation to the Board of Directors.

No. 5

Section A. These By-Laws may be altered, amended or repealed at any regular or special meeting of this club at which a quorum is present, by the vote of a majority of the members present in person and voting.

Section B. No Amendment shall be put to a vote unless written notice thereof, stating the proposed amendment, shall have been mailed or delivered personally to each member at least ten (10) days prior to this meeting at which the vote on the amendment is to be taken.

No. 6

Any By-Laws, except By-Laws number 1 and 2, may be suspended at any meeting of the club at which a quorum is present by the unanimous vote of all members present.

The adoption of this revision of the Constitution and By-Laws of the El Paso Downtown Lions Club will cause this document to supersede any and all other legal documents previously adopted.

Adopted on this ____ day of _____, _____, by a majority of the members present and voting.

ATTEST: On This Date

Secretary