



Proposed Amendment No. 1, 2023 Nebraska-Iowa Kiwanis District Bylaws

Amendment Intent

The Nebraska-Iowa District Board proposes Bylaw Amendment No. 1 for the following reasons.

1. Kiwanis International Bylaws have changed and now allow divisions to elect a lieutenant governor from another division, should there be no other qualified and willing candidate.
2. The District has requested regional trustee candidates to provide club endorsement when filing for election, and this requirement has been stated in policy and procedures but not in the bylaws.
3. The District requires lieutenant governors to pass a satisfactory background check prior to taking office, per action of the 2019-2020 district board, and this requirement has not been yet added to the bylaws.

Therefore, the Nebraska-Iowa District Board now proposes these changes be made to Articles III and IV of the District Bylaws and asks for consideration at the Aug. 5, 2023 House of Delegates meeting.

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Article III Officers

Section 2. Each district officer shall be an active member in a club of the district.

- a. Each Lieutenant Governor shall be a member of a club in the division from which elected. *However, if there is no member from a club in a particular division qualified and willing to serve as lieutenant governor, a member of a club in another division may serve.*
- b. Each Trustee shall be a member of a club in the region from which elected; ~~and~~ shall have served as a Lieutenant Governor of a division within the region; *and shall be endorsed as a candidate by board of the candidate's primary club.*
- c. The Governor, Governor-elect, Vice-Governor, Administrator, Treasurer, ~~and~~ Regional Trustees *and Lieutenant Governor* shall have and maintain a clear criminal history background check conducted and verified by Kiwanis International.
- d. The Governor must be active in the affairs of his/her division or region and the district; must have served as Governor-elect of this district and must have had at least nine (9) years of membership by the time of nomination.
- e. The Governor-elect must have had at least eight (8) years of membership by the time of nomination.
- f. The Vice Governor must have served as a Lieutenant Governor of this district and had at least seven (7) years of membership by the time of nomination.

g. The Treasurer shall have a professional background in financial management or accounting of not-for-profit financial operations and governance.

Article VIII Vacancies in Office

Section 4. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor, the District shall notify the clubs in the affected division that a replacement Lieutenant Governor may be elected at a division meeting to be held within thirty (30) days from the date of such vacancy. In the absence of a replacement being elected by the division, a qualified member ~~of a club in the same division~~ shall be elected by a majority vote of the District Board.