



STANDING RULES FOR ELECTIONS

1. The **Trustee/Presiding Officer** of each region shall hold, not later than **April 30th**, a conference for the purpose of electing a Trustee. The preferred time and place of this conference would be in conjunction with the District Mid-Year Education Conference(s). If this date is not suitable, the Trustee shall announce a date and location within the Region to hold the election. Written notice shall be sent, not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the conference, to the Lt. Governors and Lt. Governors-Elect of each division in the region, to the President of each club of the region, to all Past Governors, Past Trustees, and Past Lieutenant Governors of that region who are active, senior, or privileged members of a club in the division, and to the District Executive Director.
2. The Delegates of the Conference shall be the President, President-Elect, and Immediate Past President of each club in the region, or their duly elected alternates.
3. One-third (1/3) of the clubs of the region shall constitute a quorum at the election conference, and each club shall have one (1) vote for each delegate present, but in no case shall any club be entitled to more than 3 voting delegates. At the election conference registration, a list shall be compiled with the name and club of each voting delegate. At least 1/3 of the clubs in the region must be represented with at least one representative to constitute a quorum and make the voting official. There shall be no voting by proxy or absentee ballot.
4. Voting delegates should be seated in an area designated for voting delegates only.
5. The Trustee, Lieutenant Governor, Past Governors, Past Trustees, and Past Lieutenant Governors in attendance at the conference shall have the privilege of the floor without the right to vote unless they are elected as a delegate from their home club.
6. The meeting's **Trustee/Presiding Officer** shall not be entitled to a vote except in the case of a tie.
7. The **Trustee** shall be chair of the conference or in his/her absence, his/her immediate predecessor, and so on. In the absence of a Past Trustee, the conference shall elect one of its members as chair. The chair of the Conference shall not be a candidate for the position of Trustee at the Conference. The Conference shall elect one of its numbers as secretary, and such tellers as may be necessary.

8. Upon completion of organization as above outlined, the conference shall proceed to elect a Trustee. The candidates for Trustee shall be those candidates who have been nominated by their club and division and have filed the appropriate nomination form with the District Office by the announced deadline. and meet the following qualifications:
 - a) The candidate must have been elected to serve as Lt. Governor in the LaMissTenn District, and will have completed his/her term by September 30th in advance of the term of Trustee; and
 - b) The candidate must be endorsed for the office of Trustee by his or her home club.

The District Executive Director shall provide a list of all official candidates and that list shall be provided to all voting delegates at the time of registration. Nominations from the floor shall be permitted but all nominees from the floor must submit the required nomination form to the meeting's presiding officer prior to the call for nominations. No person shall be submitted to the Conference as a candidate for Trustee without the consent of said person first being obtained. Each candidate for Trustee shall give assurance that he/she will fulfill the duties and responsibilities of Trustees.

9. All nominees for office shall have a Kiwanian provide a nomination of not more than 2 minutes and a Kiwanian provide a seconding speech of not more than 1 minute. After the nomination and seconding speech, each candidate will have not more than 2 minutes to address the meeting.
10. When more than one (1) name is presented to the conference, a ballot vote shall be taken. The person receiving a majority of the votes cast shall be declared elected. If no one candidate receives a majority, the voting shall be repeated after dropping the candidate receiving the fewest votes each time until one candidate receives a majority vote. If or when there are only two candidates, the presiding officer shall cast a ballot at the same time as all other ballots are cast but that ballot shall be counted only in the event of a tie.
11. The Conference shall, in the consideration of all names presented, be guided by the principles, traditions and precedents of Kiwanis International in its election of officers, and particularly consider the ability, service and Kiwanis experience of a proposed candidate.
12. The Latest Edition of Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised shall be the parliamentary authority for all matters of procedure not specifically covered by the Constitution and Bylaws of Kiwanis International, the Bylaws of the Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tennessee District of Kiwanis International and these standing rules.
13. The **Trustee/Presiding Officer** shall certify the results of the election to the District Executive Director immediately following the Conference.