

NOTICE TO ALL LIONS CLUBS IN DISTRICT 308 B1

Resolutions to be considered and if thought fit to be adopted at the 13th District 308 B1 Convention at Ipoh.

RESOLUTION NO. 1

LIONS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Be it resolved that:

- (i) the Lions Education Foundation as approved by District Cabinet on October, 31 2010 at Johor Bahru be adopted as a district project to provide financial assistance to poor students in the pursuit of tertiary education leading to the award of a degree or diploma.
- (ii) a private company limited by guarantee known as Lions Education Foundation be incorporated under The Companies Acts, 1965 to administer the Lions Education Assistance for the Needy (LEArN) Fund.
- (iii) the Lions Education Foundation applies to the relevant authority for tax exempt status and in this connection the Foundation be managed by a Board or Trustees with equal representation from Lions and Non Lions in order to be granted tax exemption status.
- (iv) the incoming District Governor, First Vice District Governor and Second Vice District Governor shall be ex officio of the Lions Education Foundation.
- (v) the Chairman of the Lions Education Foundation be elected by the Board of Trustees to serve a three (3) year term.

RATIONALE FOR THE RESOLUTION:

The Fund raised for the formation of the "Lions Education Foundation" mainly contributed by Lions Clubs and individual Lions members is to assist poor Malaysian students who are in need of financial assistance to pursue higher education for a diploma or degree qualification in Malaysia. To provide financial assistance to cover part of education fees as well as the living expenses of these students, and all the clubs in District 308 B1 are to support this Foundation by identifying and vetting through all potential deserving poor students from their local community before applying. The Lions Education Foundation will be managed by appointed Lions members and monitored by appointed trustees. The Foundation will apply a tax exempt status to provide tax exempt receipts to corporate, organizations and individual donors.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

DISTRICT 308B1 CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Be it resolved that the voting delegates of Lions Club International District 308B1 empower the District 308-B1 Constitution & By-Laws Review Committee Chairman and his committee members appointed or to be appointed by District Governor, to modify, change, amend or delete any part of the amendments on Constitution and By-Laws that were passed during the last Convention at Singapore be presented to the delegates at the 14th District 308B1 Convention in Kuching for adoption before submission to the ROS.

RATIONALE FOR RESOLUTION:

To fine tune the Constitution and By-Laws for submission to the Registrar of Society as the constitutional amendments brought up at the last Convention in Singapore were passed without much deliberation in view of time constraint. As we are all governed by the Constitution and By-Laws any amendments require thorough deliberation and as such a Constitution and By-Laws Review Committee and his Committee Members be appointed by the District Governor of the day to thoroughly study the amendment made at the last Singapore Convention and if need be fine tune, modify, delete, revise or make amendment to any part of the Constitution and By-Laws which shall be in conformity with the Constitution and By-Laws of MD 308 and LCI Standard District Constitution and By-Laws (La4) and the Lions Clubs International which shall be presented at the 14th District 308B1 Lions Convention in Kuching 2012 for adoption before submission to ROS for approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 3

PROSTHETIC REHABILITATION FOR THE YOUNG

Be it resolved that RM50,000-00 be transferred from the General Accumulated Fund to the District Account for fiscal year 2011 – 2012 for the purpose of Prosthetic Rehabilitation for the Young.

RATIONALE FOR THE RESOLUTION:

To provide prosthetic rehabilitation to the Young who are in need to enable them to lead a better life.

RESOLUTION NO. 4

DISTRICT 308 B1 SECRETARIAT

Be it resolved that a coordinator for District 308B1 Youth Exchange Programme and other additional tasks including assisting the planning of archives and records keeping for District 308B1 will be employed on a contractual basis by Lions Headquarters. The terms and conditions of the contract and remuneration of the coordinator will be determined by the District Governor of fiscal year of 2011-2012.

RATIONALE FOR RESOLUTION:

Using the Lions Headquarters as a Secretariat and resource centre for District 308B1 where the candidate will keep proper records of all properties and important documents of the District and perform such other duty as may be assigned by the District Governor of the day effective 2011 - 2012.

RESOLUTION NO. 5

COUNCIL OF PRESENT AND PAST OFFICERS OF LCI

Be it resolved that the formation of the “Council of Present and Past Officers of Lions Clubs International District 308B1” (“PPOA”) which was adopted by the delegates at the 12th District 308B1 Convention held in Singapore in April, 2010 be rescinded and the Council of PPOA be dissolved.

RATIONALE FOR RESOLUTION:

At a meeting of the Council of PPOA on 30th October, 2010 at the Zon Regency Hotel, JB, it was unanimously agreed by all PPOA present that the Resolution for the Formation of the PPOA Council passed at last year’s convention in Singapore (2010) be rescinded at the next convention in Ipoh (2011) for the following reasons: -

- (1) To undertake an advisory role to the District Governor – the PPOAs present felt that “advisory should not be mandatory” as it should be at the pleasure of the District Governor.
- (2) To discuss and deliberate on issue relating to the District – this will contradict with what the District Governor wants. We felt that it should be left with the District Governor of the day to decide if any issue requires the attention and deliberation by the PPOAs.

- (3) The terms and conditions of the formation of the Council of PPOA was not in accordance with what was agreed by the PPOA in its meeting in JB (on 20th March, 2010).
- (4) The formation of the PPOA is a structure that is not in our constitution and LCI Constitution. Our constitution states that the District Governor is the Chief Administrative Officer. This PPOA formation will interfere with the spirit of the constitution.
- (5) There is no necessity to form the Council of PPOA as currently we already have the “CAUCUS” plus the “Honorary Committee”.
- (6) The Resolution 5 was hurriedly pushed through without discussion during the 2010 April Convention in Singapore.
- (7) The LCI Legal Department advised that the Council of PPOA has no standing and cannot interfere with the administration of the District and incumbent District Governor.
- (8) The requirement of at least 4 meetings per fiscal year is neither practical nor desirable. PPOA should only meet as and when the District Governor so requested.
- (9) Finally, the current DG, 1st VDG and 2nd VDG are all also not in favour of the formation of the Council of PPOA.

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