

ARTICLE I

A. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Section 1: The board of directors shall consist of no less than 11 members and no more than 15 members, of whom three positions will be Assumed Positions, three positions will be Appointed Positions and the remaining positions will be elected. The Assumed Positions shall include the immediate past President, the current President and the President Elect. At the current President's sole discretion he or she shall fill the three Appointed Positions with eligible members, as defined in Section 2, to include the Membership Chair, the Treasurer and the TBM Chair. The elected positions shall include the International Chair, the Vocational Chair, the Community Service Chair, the Public Image Chair and the President Elect-Elect.

Section 2: To be eligible to be elected to the board of directors the member shall be an active member for more than 1 full year, in good standing at the time of the board's approval of his or her nomination, shall have participated in at least two Community Service projects or in one committee, must not be under excused attendance and shall have a Record of at least 60% attendance in the current year.

Section 3: Before the first week of November, the Secretary shall be responsible for determining and notifying all members with more than one year's membership of the Elected Positions available, as defined in Section 1 above. This notification shall contain a self-addressed reply form to the Club Secretary, to be here-under considered as the Self Nomination Ballot.

Section 4: In addition to a statement of the deadline to submit it, the Self Nomination Ballot shall include a statement of the ability to mail in the form or personally hand it to the current President in any of the weekly meetings before the deadline and a space for the member's name. Printed on the Self Nomination Ballot shall also be the following statement: "If you are interested in serving on the board of directors for the upcoming year, please select the one you would like to occupy. Any self-nomination Ballot with more than one selection will be automatically discarded and such person shall not appear in the Voting Ballot." Below the above statement there shall be a list of the Elected Positions available. Any available position not expressly designated under these By-Laws, shall be designated on this form as Director. The following statement shall be at the bottom of this form: "A member who has not maintained a record of at least 60% attendance in the current year, a member whose dues are in arrears as of the deadline to submit this form and a member who is currently under excused attendance shall not be eligible for election to the board."

Section 5: The deadline to submit the Self Nomination Ballot shall be established at the Secretary's sole discretion, but in no instance shall it be less than two weeks before the first meeting of the Board of Directors for the month of December, nor shall it be less than two weeks after mailing the notifications established in Section 3 above.

Section 6: After the deadline to submit the Self Nomination Ballot and before the first meeting of the board of directors for the month of December, the secretary shall verify with the current board's Treasurer, the current board's Community Service chair and the current board's President the eligibility of each member running for a position on the board, as defined in Section 2, above.

Section 7: During the first meeting of the board of directors for the month of December the secretary will present to the board the final eligible nominees for the board's approval. Such approval shall be made by a simple majority vote. If a nominee submitted for approval is a current board member, he or she shall not participate in the process of approval of any nominee for the position he or she is running. All approved nominees will appear in the Election Ballot.

B. ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT

Section 1: To be eligible to be elected as the President of the Rotary Club of Miami, the member shall be an active member for more than 2 full years, in good standing at the time of the board's approval of his or her nomination, shall have participated in at least 4 Community Service projects, must not have been elected President during the previous 6 years, shall have served for at least one full term of two years as a member of the board of directors, chair a Committee for one year, completed at least one Rotary Leadership Institute (R.L.I.) seminar, must not be under excused attendance and shall have a Record of at least 60% attendance in the current year.

Section 2: Before the first week of November, the Secretary shall be responsible of determining and notifying all members with more than two year's membership and who have not been President during the previous 6 years of their eligibility for Presidency, as defined in Section 1 above. This notification shall contain a self-addressed reply form to the Club Secretary, to be here-under considered for the Presidency Self Nomination Ballot.

Section 3: In addition to a statement of the deadline to submit it, the Presidency Self Nomination Ballot shall include a statement of the ability to mail in the form or personally hand it to the current President in any of the weekly meetings before the deadline and a space for the member's name. Printed on the Presidency Self Nomination Ballot shall also be the following statement: "_____ I am interested in running for President of the Rotary Club of Miami in two years time." Below the above statement there shall be a statement stating "_____ I am NOT interested in serving as President of the Rotary Club of Miami in two years time." The following statement shall be at the bottom of this form: "A member who has not maintained a record of at least 60% attendance in the current year, a member whose dues are in arrears as of the deadline to submit this form and a member who is currently under excused attendance shall not be eligible for election as President of the Rotary Club of Miami."

Section 4: The deadline to submit the Presidency Self Nomination Ballot shall be the same deadline as the deadline established for the Candidates of the Board of Directors, as established in Article I, Section 5, above.

Section 5: After the deadline to submit the Presidency Self Nomination Ballot and before the first meeting of the board of directors for the month of December, the secretary shall verify with the current board's Treasurer, the current board's Community Service chair and the current board's President the eligibility of each member running for a position on the board, as defined in Section 1, above.

Section 6: During the first meeting of the board of directors for the month of December the secretary will present to the board the final eligible nominees for the board's approval. Such approval shall be made by a simple majority vote. If a nominee submitted for approval is a current board member, he or she shall not participate in the process of approval of any nominee for the position he or she is running. All approved nominees will appear in the Election Ballot.

C. PROCEDURE OF ELECTIONS

Section 1: After the Board approves the nominees, the Secretary will assign all approved nominees a unique identifier, which could be the member's membership number, the member's email address or a special number assigned to each eligible member for the purpose of voting, and will set-up a web-based or electronic voting platform, in which he or she will input each eligible member's identifier.

Section 2: No more than two weeks after the board approves the nominees, all members in good standing will be given proper notice of the election, by standard mail and email, and a list of all approved nominees, with their respective Rotary Resumé and the positions they are running for, will be posted in the club's website.

Section 3: Notice of the election will include the names of all approved nominees and the position they are running for, instructions on how to submit the electronic vote and a statement specifying the deadline for the submission of their vote, which shall be no later than January 15th.

Section 4: During each weekly meeting, after the notice of the election has been sent, the Board will provide an electronic device by which any member who wishes to do so can login to the web-based or electronic voting platform and vote.

Section 5: Keeping all votes confidential, the Secretary and the President, or a person assigned by them, must verify that no one member has voted more than once after the deadline has lapsed and will print a report with the results.

Section 6: In the event of a tie, the incoming Board of Directors shall determine the method of selecting the President Elect from the candidates who tied.

Section 7: In the event of a resignation of an officer or Board member or Vacancy on the Board of Directors, the remaining members of Board of Directors shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term. The appointed replacement must comply with the eligibility requirements set forth in Article One, Section 2.

Section 8: In the event of a resignation or unavailability of the President of the Rotary Club of Miami, the immediate past President will fill the vacancy until an interim President is elected by the Board of Directors, by majority vote, or until the unavailable President's term finishes, whichever comes first.