

103. ~~Committee on Realignment~~ **Committee**

103.1 Function

~~To study the boundaries, and sizes of the divisions and regions which make up the California-Nevada-Hawaii District and recommend to the Board of Trustees any necessary changes in boundaries, which will create new or realigned divisions or regions so as to conform to the Bylaws and Policies of the Cal-Nev-Ha District. Geographical factors and number of members should be taken into consideration.~~

- A. **To study the boundaries, number of members, number of clubs in good standing, and sizes of divisions and regions, which make up the District.**
- B. **To recommend to the Board of Trustees any necessary changes in boundaries that will create new or realigned divisions or regions that conform to the Bylaws and Policies of the District.**

103.2 Composition

~~The Realignment Committee shall be composed of from ten to sixteen members including the Governor, Governor-elect, and the District Secretary. Of the remaining members, no less than four members shall have served on the Realignment Committee within the last two years and two must be Trustees. The Governor-elect shall make the selection of the chair from the current committee.~~

The Realignment Committee shall be composed of eleven members including:

The current District Governor

The District Governor-Elect

The District Secretary

Two members of the Board of Trustees (not previously listed)

Five at-large members of the District that are in good standing.

Three of these members must have served on the Realignment committee within the previous two years.

A committee chair selected by The Governor-Elect from the current committee.

103.3 Term and Appointment

~~The Realignment Committee shall be appointed by the Governor-elect for a one-year term beginning on the following October 1st.~~

103.4 Meetings

The ~~Realignment~~ Committee shall function during the entire **District Administrative** year and will meet at such time and place as the Chair of the committee may designate, **subject to** a minimum of one (1) meeting. ~~per administrative year.~~

103.5 ~~Preference for Realignments~~ **General Policies for Division and Region Organization and Structure**

~~To retain a reasonable number of divisions and regions in the District, and to minimize the financial cost incurred by the District for each division and region that exists, preference will be given to the realignment of clubs within existing divisions rather than creating a new division or region.~~

- A. Divisions and regions should be organized so that the financial cost incurred by the District and the management effort required of the Lieutenant Governor and Region Trustee shall be minimized to the extent reasonably possible. The availability and use of electronic meeting technologies, in accordance with District Bylaws and Policies, may be considered to achieve this.
- ~~B. If the Committee recommends any realignment to the District Board, it is the preference of the District that the clubs affected be assigned to existing divisions, rather than creating new divisions or regions, to the extent reasonably possible.~~
- B. If the Committee recommends club or region realignment to the District Board, it is the preference of the District that, to the extent possible.
 - i. Clubs be assigned to existing divisions.
 - ii. Divisions be assigned to existing regions.
- ~~B. Should there be a break in the numerical order of divisions or regions in the District and a new division or region is created, then the new division or region shall be assigned the lowest division or region number not presently used in the numerical structure.~~
- C. If the committee recommends the addition of a division, it will be assigned the lowest unused division number.
- D. If the committee recommends the consolidation of divisions, the committee shall assign the consolidated division a number subject to the following.
 1. The historical division number for the clubs being consolidated.
 2. The lowest division number of the consolidated divisions.
 3. The lowest available division number in the District

103.6 Initiating Realignment Study

- A. During October of the District Administrative year, the District Secretary shall report to the District Governor and the District Board regarding any division that does not contain at least 250 members and/or 9 clubs in good standing. After receiving that report, the Governor may ask the Committee to review the issues regarding the number of members and/or clubs in any division that do not meet these minimums to determine whether realignment is warranted but is not required to do so. The District Board may also make such a referral to the Committee by majority vote.
- B. After either the referral by the Governor or the referral by the District Board, the Committee chair shall advise the division Lieutenant Governor and Trustee for the region that includes the affected division of the referral and invite the Lieutenant Governor and Trustee to assist the Committee in its review of the issues involved in the low membership and/or low number of clubs in good standing.
- C. The Committee shall have 90 days after the referral by the Governor or the District Board to review the issues presented and make its recommendation to the District Board.

103.7 Factors to be considered in proposals for realignment.

~~Prior to submitting a change or realignment of divisions or regions in the District to the Board of Trustees, As part of any review of division or region alignment, the Committee on Realignment shall study and consider the following factors:~~

- A. The number of clubs in each division or divisions in each region and its membership resulting from the proposed realignment. ~~However, a division must either have a minimum of 250 members or 9 clubs.~~
- B. Relative strength or weakness of each club or division resulting from the proposed alignment.
- C. Number of members and/or clubs in adjacent divisions which may offer opportunities to strengthen the affected division or region.
- D. Past participation of each club or division in proposed realignment in division, District, or International activities.

- E. Information provided by individual club members, Club officers, the division Lieutenant Governor and region Trustee.
- F. If a club can be serviced better by a neighboring division than the one the club is in currently, due to geographic constraints, the Committee may consider moving the club to a neighboring division.
- G. When a division is being considered for realignment, the Committee should consider local geography and may elect to not realign a division if the geographic considerations warrant no action.
- H. Any other factors believed by the Committee to be germane to their decision, which shall be explicitly set forth as part of the Committee recommendation to the District Board.
- I. While it is the preference of the District that each Division have at least 250 total members and/or 9 clubs, the Committee has the discretion to make recommendations to the District Board for division and region alignment that consider the other factors set forth above even if the recommendation does not meet these numerical minimums.

103.8 Effective Dates of Changes for Realignment of Divisions or Regions

- A. Any change which creates a new division or region, or realignment of clubs or divisions with existing divisions or regions shall become effective as set forth by the Board of Trustees, but no sooner than the October 1st following the approval of such realignment. (3/08)
- B. After the approval of a new division, the Office of Lieutenant Governor-elect shall be filled for the next administrative year. Such election shall be in accordance with the Bylaws, Article VII.5, and the election shall be by the representatives of the clubs in the new division. Similarly, the representatives of the clubs in the division to be retained shall elect their Lieutenant Governor-elect. The chair for such conference shall be:
 - a. The Immediate Past Lieutenant Governor who is a member of one of the clubs in the new division or the division to be retained

b. In the event the Immediate Past Lieutenant Governor is unavailable, the District Governor will appoint a Past Lieutenant Governor who is a member of one of the clubs in the new division or division to be retained.

C. After the approval of a new region, the Office of Trustee from said region shall be filled for the next administrative year. Such election shall be in accordance with the Bylaws, Article VII.6, and the election shall be by the representatives of the clubs in the new region. The chair for such conference shall be elected by the current Lieutenant Governors of the region. (3/08)

103.9 Cause for Dissolution and Realignment (1/00)

~~A.If a division does not have either nine (9) clubs or two hundred fifty (250) members, it shall be considered cause for dissolving and realigning that division.~~

~~B.When a division does not meet the minimum membership requirements as provided in subsection A above, the Realignment Committee shall cause a notice to that effect to be sent to the Governor with a copy to the current Lieutenant Governor of that division. Such notice shall contain a provision advising said division has been placed in a probationary status for a period of six (6) months, commencing with the date of the notice. At the end of the said six (6) months, if the membership of said division has not been brought either to nine (9) clubs or two hundred and fifty (250) members, the committee shall recommend to the District Board of Trustees a realignment plan for said division.~~

A. If at any time during the administrative year a region does not have a Trustee or Trustee-designate, it may be considered cause for dissolving or realigning that region. (3/08)

B. If at any time during the administrative year a division does not have a **Lieutenant Governor or** Lieutenant Governor-elect, it may be considered cause for dissolving or realigning that division.

103.9 Division Geography and Realignment (2/07)

~~A.If a club can be serviced better by a neighboring division than the one the club is in currently, due to geographic constraints, the Realignment Committee may consider moving the club to a neighboring division.~~

~~B.When a division is being considered for realignment, the Realignment Committee should consider local geography and may elect to not realign a division if the geographic considerations warrant no action.~~