POLICY – 5 Campaigning

## Guidelines for Campaigning

Limited campaigning will be permitted to promote the election of a candidate for District Fifteen office.

Campaigning shall be in strict accordance with the following quidelines:

- All candidates slated, and those who have advised the Nominating Committee by the due date i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> April that they intend to be nominated from the floor, are permitted to mail the following to all District Fifteen Clubs, District Officers and Past District Governors prior to Conference
  - An open letter in standard form
  - A one page letter or submission of support from candidate's Club or a member of the candidate's Club
- 2. All candidates slated and those who have advised the Nominating Committee by the due date that they intend to be nominated from the floor shall be presented to the Conference body and permitted to make a presentation of not more than four minutes. The presentation of candidates shall be chaired by the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee
- 3. In the event that a nominee is unable to attend the Conference then a presentation of not more than four minutes may be read by the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee
- 4. The Guidelines for campaigning will be sent to all candidates by the Nominating Committee

## Allegations of violation of Guidelines

Any allegations of violation of campaign guidelines must be made in writing to the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee. The nominating Committee will then review and investigate the matters raised and if deemed necessary report such matters to the District Fifteen Board of Directors

## Candidate disqualification

- Any decision on the candidate disqualification or otherwise shall be taken by the Board after seeking an explanation from the candidate concerned
- A candidate's name may be removed form the ballot only if twothirds of the District Fifteen Board of Directors agree that a serious violation has occurred