

In compliance with Article VI, Section 2 of the Standard Form District By-Laws, I hereby issue the Official Call for the 2020 District 29-L Elections. The District 29-L Elections will be held Saturday afternoon, May 16, 2020. Balloting will be done by mail. The purpose of the elections is to elect a District Governor, First Vice District Governor, Second Vice District Governor, Trustees to the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation and other elected positions, if required. Issued by me on this day, March 20, 2020.

William Syphers

District Governor, 29-L

Dear club presidents and secretaries,

On March 19, 2020 the Council of Governors of the Multiple District 29, Lions of West Virginia, officially voted to cancel the 2020 Multiple District Convention. We feel this action was necessary for the safety of our members, and to be compliant with the recommendations and mandates issued by our government and by Lions Clubs International. We are living under extraordinary circumstances and need to do what is best for all of us and those we serve.

That doesn't absolve us from our responsibilities as Lions clubs. Club officers need to be elected and reported in MyLCI by May 1. You may use whatever means you wish to conduct your elections (phone, email, mail.) Please make sure that every member of your club knows in advance who the candidates are and every member gets a vote.

District elections will be held via mail. Any Lion who wishes to be a candidate for district office must file an application for candidacy. An application is attached below. The application must be received by the district governor by April 10, 2020. Applications can be sent by email. The district governor will then forward all applications to the Nominating Committee for eligibility verification. All applicants will then be notified of their eligibility. Offices to be elected are district governor, first and second vice district governor, and Sight Foundation trustee. There is no application for trustee. If you are interested in being elected, email me.

Applications can be sent by email to billsyphers@comcast.net or to 77 Raven Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003.

After the applicants are certified, ballots and credential cards will be mailed to each club, according to the number of delegates assigned. Each past district governor will also receive a ballot. The completed credentials will be mailed to the Credentials Committee and completed ballots will be mailed to the Elections Committee, who in cooperation with the Credentials Committee, will verify if the ballot is valid. Valid ballots will then be counted and a winner will be declared. Ballots must be received by May 15, 2020.

In order for your club to be eligible for voting privileges, all balances due to LCI or District 29-L must be paid, and no balance shall exceed \$10.00. Ballots from clubs that have balances due on May 15 will be disqualified.

If there are any questions you may call me at 304-233-0199, or email me at billsyphers@comcast.net.

It is imperative that you share this information with every member of your club as soon as possible! Thanks for your cooperation. Be smart and be safe.

Bill

TO ALL CANDIDATES FOR SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT 29, LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL.

In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution and By-Laws of Multiple District 29, Lions Clubs International, all Lions who aspire to the office of Vice District Governor must follow certain procedures prior to the election time at the State Convention of the Lions of West Virginia.

Attached hereto is the blank form "CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDACY FOR 2nd VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR, WEST VIRGINIA LIONS". Please go over this form carefully, with the officers of your local club, and fill all blanks according to instructions.

As you will note, you are required to file three copies of this form as follows: One to your District Governor, one to Secretary-Treasurer of MD 29, State of West Virginia, Lions Clubs International, and one to the Chairperson of the nominations committee for your District. If you do not know who your district nomination chairperson is, send two copies to your District Governor who can pass it along to the proper person. This form must be filed with the nominating committee chairperson 31 days prior to the election.

Please be sure your State Office gets one copy so that permanent records will be maintained and there will be no chance for a slip-up in filing.

Congratulations on aspiring to the office of Vice District Governor and good luck in your efforts.

Bill Syphers,

District Governor, 29-L

Certificate of Candidacy

For

2nd Vice District Governor

NAME OF CANDIDATE _____ SPOUSE _____

ADDRESS:

(residence) _____ (business) _____

TELEPHONE:

(home) _____ (business) _____

(Cell) _____

EMAIL: _____

CANDIDATE'S HOME CLUB: _____

Please complete all blanks:

- 1. Served as President of a Lions Club for a full term or major portion thereof.
Year _____ Club _____

Served as a member of the Board of Directors of a Lions Club no less than two additional years.

Year _____ Club _____

Year _____ Club _____

- 2. Served as Zone Chairperson or Region Chairperson or Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer for a full term or major portion thereof.
Year _____ Club _____

None of the above was accomplished concurrently.

- 3. As President and Secretary of the _____ Lions Club, we certify the above-named candidate, a member in good standing of our Club, has been endorsed by our Club by a two-thirds or greater majority at a meeting held on _____ and attested to in the minutes thereof.

President _____

Secretary _____

I hereby submit this certificate of candidacy for the high office of 2nd Vice District Governor of District 29____, for the year_____, to the present District Governor; to the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee; and to the MD Secretary-Treasurer as required under constitutional procedures.

Signature of the Candidate _____ Date _____

This certificate is to be filed 31 days before the first day of the convention where the election shall take place.