

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 412 - BOTSWANA, MALAWI, MOZAMBIQUE & ZIMBABWE
2013-14 LIONISTIC YEAR

BRIEFING NOTES FOR LIONS CLUBS FROM 2013-14 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Each Lionistic Year, D-412 Lions Clubs should receive Nomination Forms for the portfolios of District Governor, 1st Vice District Governor and 2nd Vice District Governor.

The criteria to nominate a Lion for each of these portfolios are specified within the Constitution of Lions Clubs International. Separate annexure documents accompany these Briefing Notes that contain the criteria extracts.

Candidates eligibility includes:

District Governor [DG] - Nomination Form acceptable only for the Lion that serves as 1st Vice District Governor during the current Lionistic Year. A Nomination Form must be completed and submitted to the Cabinet Secretary by the candidate's Lions Club President & Secretary with information proving compliance with LCI's criteria and certifying endorsement by a majority [51%] of the club members present and voting at a duly constituted club meeting.

1st Vice District Governor [1st VDG] - Nomination Form acceptable only for the Lion that serves as 2nd Vice District Governor during the current Lionistic Year. A Nomination Form must be completed and submitted to the Cabinet Secretary by the candidate's Lions Club President & Secretary with information proving compliance with LCI's criteria and certifying endorsement by a majority [51%] of the club members present and voting at a duly constituted club meeting.

[In the event that either of these Lions who served is not able to stand for election, LCI's International Constitution contains procedural guidelines.]

2nd Vice District Governor [2nd VDG] - This portfolio is the D-412 Cabinet Office to be contested by multiple candidates. A Nomination Form must be completed and submitted to the Cabinet Secretary by each candidate's Lions Club President & Secretary with information proving compliance with LCI's criteria and Certifying endorsement by a majority [51%] of the club members present and voting at a duly constituted club meeting.

The deadline date for receipt of all Nomination Forms is **1st October 2013**.

Whilst LCI's DG, 1st VDG & 2nd VDG candidate eligibility criteria are of paramount importance, there are other equally vital & decisive considerations. Just as when a Lions Club decides whether to invite someone to become a member, the criteria of "Quality" has even greater relevance to D-412 elected Cabinet Officers. Facets are as below-listed:

Honesty
Integrity

Sets an Example
Mentor

Inspires Trust	Proactive
Fiscally Responsible	Innovative
Achievement Focused	Creative
Dynamic	Inspires & Motivates
Risk Taker - but not a blind thrill seeker	Unflappable
Focus on Vision & Strategy	Independence of Mind
Builds Teams & Develops Talent	Accepts Blame
Demands the Best	Facilitates Decision-Making
Recognizes & Acknowledges the Importance of Others	

Equally, every candidate nominated for 2nd VDG & 1st VDG & DG must have demonstrated through many years involvement to fulfill LCI's "We Serve" mandate that they are:

Passionate about Lionism

Due the importance of investigating and evaluating the "Quality" criteria described above, as from Lionistic Year 2011-12 the D-412 Honourary Committee, comprised of Past District Governors - and potential ad hoc appointees designated by the current Lionistic Year's DG, it was recommended there be conducted parallel enquiries in respect of candidates nominated for the portfolios of 2nd VDG, 1st VDG and DG. As of Lionistic Year 2013-14, implementation of this recommendation has not yet happened.

CLUB PRESIDENTS - CLUB SECRETARIES - CLUB MEMBERS

- **Do not** submit a Nomination Form simply for the desire to honour your Lions Club by having a candidate
- **Do not** submit a Nomination Form simply because a club member has fulfilled the basic criteria specified by LCI

DO SUBMIT a Nomination Form for a club member because:

- he/she genuinely subscribes to the Purposes & Ethics of Lions Clubs International,
- possesses a long-range vision for the growth & enhancement of Lionism within D-412, **AND** - this is critical,
- **exemplifies through word & deed all of the "Quality" characteristics - as described above - essential for a 2nd VDG or a 1st VDG or a DG**

If there are any queries about the Nomination process, please forward them to:

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- cc. Annexure "A" – District Governor, Election & Candidacy Requirements
- Annexure "B" – 1st VDG, Election & Candidacy Requirements
- Annexure "C" – 2nd VDG, Election & Candidacy Requirements

16th July 2013

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