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This letter is intended to lay the ground rules for the 2008 campaign and election for Regional Trustees, so all candidates will have an equal understanding of the rules.

I have appointed a Lead Lt. Governor of the Regional Conference for each Region. All other sitting Lt. Governors within the Region will assist the Lead Lt. Governor in the preparations for the Regional Conference.

Prior to the Conference, the current Lt. Governors shall appoint a Chairman of the Regional Conference from the Past Lt. Governors from the divisions within the Region. The Chairman of the Regional Conference will preside over the election of the Trustee.

Candidates for the office of Trustee shall notify the Lead Lt. Governor of the Regional Conference, not the District Office, of their intent to run for office. The Lead Lt. Governor shall provide the names and contact information of all candidates to the candidates, the Lt. Governors, Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Past Lt. Governors, Past Governors and Immediate Past Presidents of each club within the Region.

A copy of this letter as well as a copy of the Trustee Consent and Assurance Form will be provided to each candidate by the Lead Lt. Governor. This letter will serve to take the place of the provisions in the Policy and Procedures manual for Campaigns for District Office for the 2008 Trustee election.

Candidates shall at all times conduct themselves and their campaigns in accordance with the basic rules of ethical conduct so as to uphold the good name of Kiwanis.

An announced candidate may send promotional materials to any Kiwanian within the Region after the Lead Lt. Governor of the Regional Conference has received official notification of such candidacy. The author of any campaign communication must be clearly identified. Campaigns are to be limited to within the Region. Requests for mailing list information should be directed to the Lead Lt. Governor of the Regional Conference and Club Secretaries within the Region and **not** to the District Office. No campaigning shall be permitted at either of the Mid-Year Conferences.

Candidates, Club Presidents and Lt. Governors should make every effort to ensure that Kiwanis members are provided with equal time to meet and evaluate every candidate for the office of Trustee. To ensure equal opportunity for each candidate to address the club at a meeting where a candidate appears outside of his/her home club, Club Presidents should provide club members with as much advanced notice as possible of the date of each candidate's visit.

The Governor, Governor-elect, Immediate Past Governor, District Treasurer and all paid employees of the District and/or District Foundation shall not make any public endorsement in connection with any contested election for Trustee, except when campaigning on their own behalf.

Any alleged campaign violations shall be addressed to the Lead Lt. Governor of the Regional Conference for that Region. The Lead Lt. Governor will consult with the other Lt. Governors of that Region to determine whether a campaign violation occurred and the appropriate remedy. The decision of the Lead Lt. Governor may be appealed to the Governor if a dispute remains. The Governor shall have final authority on the disposition on the matter. All candidates shall be responsible for the actions of their committees and supporters, and shall accept full responsibility for their campaigns.

Sincerely,

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