

## **ROLE AND DUTIES OF DISTRICT GOVERNORS IN GYRO INTERNATIONAL**

### ***Supplement to Gyro By-Laws Chapter 7 – Duties of Officers***

#### **District Governor Role:**

The District Governor (Governor) serves to be a liaison between Gyro International and clubs within a district. The Governor, as a member of the Executive Council, is tasked with both providing guidance to clubs and advocating on behalf clubs.

#### **Duties:**

**1: Communication:** In accordance with ***Chapter 2A - As to Districts, Article IV***, the Governor will utilize a ***District Advisory Committee*** as needed, for example, to encourage joint club events or to address an issue.

In addition, to develop an open line of communication with all club executives in the district, at least once per fiscal year, the Governor will conduct a club communication that may include all members in the district. This *District Session* will be used to both relay any relevant information emanating from the Executive Council and to consolidate questions, positions, or concerns from the district. The *District Session* should take place at least a month prior to the International Convention.

**2: Club Executive Installation:** The Governor is responsible for the installation of new executive members of clubs within the Governor's district. This can either be done in person or by a former District Governor.

**3: Proxies:** The Governor automatically receives proxies for the annual Gyro Convention when any district's clubs will be absent.

**4: Mentoring:** The Governor will act as a mentor for club executives at their request and may also mentor members of any new club in the district. The mentoring role will be via telephone or video connection. The Governor will collaborate on and deliver club training for any new programs or policies initiating from the Organization.

**5: Growth:** The Governor will facilitate growth within a club or via the formation of new clubs by providing information and assistance on education, programs, and funds available from the Organization.

**6: Expenses:** All expenses incurred by the Governor for activities directed by the Executive Council will be reimbursed upon review of receipts. Reasonable voluntary expenses the Governor incurred for other activities within the respective district may be reimbursed if approved by the Executive Council prior to occurrence.

**7: Other:** Represent this Organization in their respective district and execute such assignments and duties as are delegated by the Executive Council.

**8: Election of Governor:** In accordance with ***Chapter 15 – Miscellaneous Provisions, Article II - Nominations***, any member interested in serving as a Governor must be initially vetted through their local club via the District Governor Nominating Committee. That member's name will be forwarded to the Executive Council for review and approval to run. All names approved to run will be forwarded to all clubs in that district along with relevant information that would qualify the candidate to stand for the position. Prior to April 30 each year a District Governor Election Committee will conduct an election based on votes by the

clubs within that district. The new Governor's term of office begins following installation on the International Executive Council at the International Convention later that year. Three consecutive terms are permitted.

**9: Criteria for Standing as, and Selection of Governor Candidates:** The criteria noted are to be used as a guideline to assist potential candidates with measuring the likelihood of a successful candidacy.

- Active Member (as defined in the International By-Laws) in a Gyro club for at least 5 years
- Held a leadership position at the club level
- Organizational skills demonstrated during club tenure
- Communication skills demonstrated during club tenure
- Proficiency in both written and verbal form
- Proficiency with digital/social media
- Ability to listen, interpret, and consolidate information
- Capable of formulating and conducting presentations

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