

DISTRICT 5 DIRECTOR'S REPORT
SAN FRANCISCO BOARD MEETINGS 2019
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RESTRUCTURING

The large issue is corporate restructuring. At the Las Vegas meetings in the summer nationals, a motion to amend the bylaws was approved 16-9, but a 2/3 majority was needed, so the motion failed. At the San Francisco, a motion to change to 13 regions was introduced. This had a 15-10 majority, so this also failed.

I was one of the votes against. I feel that the entire process has been seriously flawed. This motion should not be considered until we know a lot more about the proposed structure. There are also many issues involving the election process.

For purposes of electing a Regional Director, some districts have been merged. We are to be merged with District 6. We have 3,000 members and District 6 has 7,000 members. As the same weighting process will be used as in electing District Directors, the chances are very small that the Regional Director would come from District 5. In

many ways we would be substantially disenfranchised.

I am preparing another document which I believe will show much more logic in approaching the issue of a smaller Board. I will post this document, subject to adjustments suggested by the D5 board, to the D5 website.

SENIOR EVENTS

The age minimum for senior events is being gradually changed from 60 to 65. Anybody who has ever met the senior age requirement is always qualified.

This does not apply to super senior events. That age minimum is 75 beginning in 2020.

UNIT DISCIPLINARY AND RECORDER POSITIONS

These positions at the unit level are terminated. Referrals now will be sent to the District Recorder for consideration. There are a number of pages in the temporary San Francisco meeting minutes dealing with these issues.

CLUB APPRECIATION GAMES

These games have been held in October. The time period is now extended to include the first half of November.

FINANCE

There are a number of significant revenue streams. There are also a number of related expense streams. There will now be an effort to more closely match these streams. Sanction fees and tournament director fees will increase in 2020.

As always, I plan to be available to help with questions and issues.

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