SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF THE AMERICAS, INC.

SOUTHERN REGION



FORMS MANUAL

JULY 2020

Procedures Section

Confere		FORM 1p ON BYLAWS OR PROCEDURES
Proposal #:		
	esignated Bylaws or Procedures esolution	
	Now Reads:	
	Would Read:	
Reason:		
Financial Impac	f:	

NOMINATION FORM FOR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS Clubs and/or Individual Members

<u>Clubs:</u> Please use club letterhead when submitting a name to the Nominating Committee. You may submit name(s) of either a member of your own club or a member of a club other than your own. (See reverse side for qualifications for each office.)

<u>Individual Member:</u> Please use your club's letterhead or identifying stationery when submitting your name to the Nominating Committee. (See reverse side for Qualifications for each office.)

Due: October 15, 20	To: District M	Member Southern Region	Nominating Committee
Nominee is suggested fo Secretary, Treasurer, or I	or the office of District Director. On District I	Director, please include	(Indicate Governor-elect, District number.)
Soroptimist Internationa following name for cons	ofsideration by the committee:	, in S	Southern Region, submits the
Name			
Street Address			
City		State	Zip
3-mail	Pho	one	Cell
Nominee is a regular me	ember in good standing of Soro	ptimist International of	
Classification is		Position He	ld
	uality of leadership in Soroptin		
oroptimist, its objects, in ualifications.)	ideals and programs, on abilitie	es, experience in organiz	ration work, unusual leadership
	TIMIST INTERNATIONAL C		
PRESID	DENT/INDIVIDUAL MEMBE	R	
DATE_			
DISTRI	CT NOMINATING COMMIT	TEE MEMBER	
DATE_			
			(See Reverse Side of Fo

BYLAWS

4.2 To be eligible for election to office, candidates must be regular members in good standing. In addition, candidate for Governor elect shall have served on the Region Board within eight years prior to the term for which being nominated and shall have served as Club President.

PROCEDURES

Board – D. Term Limits

A member who has served more than half a term in any office shall be deemed to have served a full term.

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF THE AMERICAS SOUTHERN REGION

CANDIDATE RESUME FOR OFFICERS AND DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Candidate for the Office of			
Name:			
Address:			
Email	Phone	Cell	
Classification:	Title:		
Regular Member of Soroptimis	st International of:		
SOROPTIMIST EXPERIEN	ICE		
Club:			
Region:			
Other:			
_			

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUNI	DU	ICA	TION	AT.	BA	CK	GR	OUNI)
------------------------	----	-----	------	-----	----	----	----	------	---

BUSINESS/PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	
MEMBERSHIPS IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS (INDICAT	TE OFFICES HELD
DECOCNITION/HONODC DECEIVED	
RECOGNITION/HONORS RECEIVED	
PLEASE STATE WHY YOU WISH TO SERVE AS AN OFF	TICER OR AS A DISTRICT DIRECTOR.
WHAT IS THERE SPECIFICALLY IN YOUR BACKGROU INTERESTS THAT QUALIFY YOU? WHAT DO YOU SEE	
THE REGION? HOW WOULD YOU HELP ACHIEVE THE QUALITIES WOULD YOU BRING TO THE BOARD?	ESE GOALS? WHAT SPECIAL
I hereby certify that the above information is true and that I am w	illing to serve if nominated and elected.
Signature of nominee:	Date:
Return this form by <u>(date)</u> to:	
Please submit picture suitable for distribution. Resume limited	d to this form only.

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF THE AMERICAS SOUTHERN REGION CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE CREDENTIALS FORM

Upon arrival at REGION CONFERENCE, identification will be issued to each Delegate when Delegates register with the CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE at the Registration Desk.

Please complete the information below. Sign and return to later than sure to keep a copy of to	he original form to the Southern Region Treasurer no he form in your club files.
CLUB:	
DISTRICT:	
DESIGNATE CODES NEXT TO THE NAMES BELO	OW: (P) PRESIDENT (D) DELEGATE
EACH CLUB IN GOOD STANDING IS ENTITLED	TO THREE (3) VOTES.
NAME (Type or Print)	CODE
	Region Officer
	District Director
SIGNED:	
(President or	: Secretary)
First Timers (Type or Print)	
Return form by to: (Name at	nd address included here)

Note: If a Delegate's name needs changing, please do this at the Registration Desk upon arrival.

CREDENTIALS REPORT _____SOUTHERN REGION CONFERENCE

Date:	-	
Clubs in Southern Region	Clubs Represented	
District I	District I	
District II	District II	
District III	District III	

PRELIMINARY CREDENTIALS REPORT

Presidents	
Delegates	
Board Members	
Total Voting	
Non-Voting Soroptimists	
Official Federation Visitor	
Federation Guest(s)	
Guests (Soroptimists)	
Guests (Non-Soroptimists)	
Total Attendees	

FINAL CREDENTIALS REPORT

Presidents	
Delegates	
Board Members	
Total Voting	
Non-Voting Soroptimists	
Official Federation Visitor	
Federation Guest(s)	
Guests (Soroptimists)	
Guests (Non-Soroptimists)	
Total Attendees	

CREDENTIALS REPORT __SOUTHERN REGION CONFERENCE

		Date:	
Clubs in Southern Region _		Clubs Represented	
District I		District I	
District II		District II	
District III		District III	
District I			
Presidents Delegates		Total Voting Delegates*	
District II Presidents Delegates		Total Voting Delegates*	
District III Presidents Delegates		Total Voting Delegates*	
Board Members			
Total Voting Body		Total Voting Body	
Non-Voting Soroptimists Official Federation Visitor Federation Guest(s) Guests (Soroptimists) Guests (Non-Soroptimists)	(non-voting) (non-voting)		
TOTAL ATTENDANCE:			

^{*}Includes Board members from District

REGION CONFERENCE CITY PROPOSAL

Proposed City:	State:	
Is there a local club?		
If yes, are they able to help and how?		
Airport and Average Prices:		
Transportation:		
Local Attractions and Entertainment:		
	Soroptimist International of	
	Club President:	
	Date:	
Submit completed form by	, to	

Soroptimist International of the Americas, Inc. Southern Region

____CELEBRATION OF LIFE

If a Soroptimist member of your club passed away after included in a <u>Celebration of Life</u> in the Program Book available please include a picture of your deceased memorial Book.	klet and at the memorial Sunday,	<i>If</i>
Mail completed form with information by $_$		_ to:
Type or print name of deceased member		
Soroptimist International of	District	
Indicate all that apply if the deceased member was a (Officer () Federation Officer () International Office	· · ·	() Region
Memorial Service information to be placed in our Co	onference Booklet:	
_		
		·
Club Contact Person Ph Please send complete and mail to	one/Email	

POLICIES AND FEES

- 1. Registration of \$25.00 is required for all non-voting Soroptimists.
- 2. Mandatory Conference Registration for clubs is prepaid at a rate of \$200 per club.
- 3. Meal tickets are required for all meal functions and may be purchased as a full package or individual.
- 4. Registration badges are required for all conference sessions. All tickets and badges will be distributed on-site, at registration.
- Full payment must accompany registration form. One form per registrant. Forms may be photocopied.
 Check or money orders only (no bills issued)
- 6. Your cancelled check will serve as confirmation of registration.
- 7. A Late Fee of \$20.00 will be added to registrations received after _____.

 Cancellations made after _____ are subject to a \$20.00 administration fee. Hotel prices may also be at a higher rate after _____, on a space available basis and cannot be guaranteed.
- 8. No refunds will be made for "no shows" and cancellations within 14 days prior to conference.
- 9. Full Package for Delegates includes all business sessions and workshops.
- 10. Full Package for Non-Delegates requires registration fee of \$25 and includes all business sessions and workshops.
- 11. Individual meals may be purchased.
- 12. Vegetarian meals will be substituted if requested on registration form.
- 13. Business casual attire will be worn for all business functions. Saturday Banquet Casual Elegance Sunday Casual (travel).

Soroptimist International Southern Region Conference Deposit/Expense Form

Please Use <u>One form</u> for <u>each</u> buc Check payable to one of the follow	_	\$
Officer's Name	or Company	
Address		
City	State Zip	
Mail to:		
Attach original receipt/invoice to Please place an "X" by the appropart of the invoice to Please place an "X" by the appropart of the invoice to Please place an "X" by the appropart of the invoice to Please place and "X" by the appropart of the invoice to Please place of the invoice of t	priate budget item EXPENSES Meal Entertainment Seminars/Workshop Table Decorations Flowers Bartender Public Relations	HotelPrograms/coversBadges/RibbonsCopy/fax/ComputerConference BagsEquipmentPostage/suppliesHospitality
Total Funds to be deposited		
Submitted by		Date
Source of Funds	Treasurer's Record	
Governor's Approval		Date
Check#	Date	

FORM 11p

Southern	n Region Conference	•
Southern	n Region Board	

MOTIONS Soroptimist International of the Americas Southern Region

		Date of	f Motion	
Remember the follow	ving points in all n	notions:		
 If money is inv Should there b If the action re 	volved, are funds ave a deadline date for quires "reporting balear to you and will	ction? (Governor, Governor) ailable and how will in completion of the acack" – to whom? And I it be clear to others?	etion? when?	ee, etc.)
MOVED THAT:				
		Motion	by	
		Motion	БУ	(Signature)
SECRETARY'S RECORI)			
Motion No				
Carried	Lost	Referred	Rescinded by Motion No	0
VOTING:	_ Unanimous	Affirmative	Negative	

Southern Region Judge's Tally Sheet for Website Award

Conference Award is for the conference year 20____

	AWARD POINTS	JUDGE <u>#1</u>	JUDGE <u>#2</u>	JUDGE #3	TOTALS
Content	25				
Creativity	25				
Overall Appearance	25				
Use of Internet Tools	25				
TOTALS	100				

Content will be based on Soroptimist-specific information included on the website (LYD, VRA, Governor's Service Award, SI, SIA and club news, etc.).

Creativity will be based on innovation, overall layout, and design of the website, including use and creative placement of pictures and graphics.

Overall Appearance of the club's website will be based on overall presentation, color scheme, visual appeal and neatness.

Use of Internet Tools will be based on the effective use of links within the website, how interactive the website is, use of Pay Pal, Facebook, Twitter,

LinkedIn or other similar tools, availability of forms (such as membership application forms, etc.

NOMINATION FORM FOR SOUTHERN REGION HONOREE TO LAUREL SOCIETY

Submit each $2^{\rm nd}$ year of the biennium to: Governor of Southern Region by the date stated in the Call to Conference

Soroptimist International offollowing name for consideration b	by the Board:	, in Southern Region, submits the
Name		
Street Address		
City	State	Zip
The above named person is a memling in Sout	ber in good standing of Soroptimist thern Region for years.	International of
Classification	Position held	
Name of Company or Organization	1	
Soroptimist Experience:		
Contributions to Southern Region		
SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONA	AL OF	
PRESIDENT		
DATE		

(See Reverse of Form for Guidelines)

LAUREL SOCIETY GUIDELINES

- 1. Nomination form will be included in the call to conference each 2nd year of the biennium.
- 2. Must be a living member, in good standing, of a Southern Region club.
- 3. The honoree(s) may not be a member of the Southern Region Board making the selection.
- 4. A current member of the Laurel Society is not eligible.
- 5. The honoree(s) should be an extraordinary member whose contributions of time, talent and belief in the Soroptimist mission to improve the quality of life by participating in programs of service. Soroptimists who believe in this mission, who have extended friendship and have demonstrated success in their personal, career and club endeavors are ideal candidates.
- 6. The Board will select the honoree(s) from the nominees presented.
- 7. Form 14p shall be used to nominate a member(s).
- 8. Nominations must be received by the date stated in the Call to Conference.

GUIDELINES FOR GOVERNOR'S SERVICE AWARD

Submit to: District Director two weeks prior to	District Meeting.	
Soroptimist International of following project for nomination as	the Governor's Service Award.	, in Southern Region submits the
Club		District
Contact		
Street Address		
City	State	Zip
Telephone	Email:	
Project Name:		
Brief Description of Project:		
SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL	L OF	
PRESIDENT		
DATE		

CRITERIA FOR GOVERNOR'S SERVICE AWARD

- 1. Each participating club will submit a brief written description of its project, the judging of which will be based on the following criteria: (See Form 16p).
 - a. Made a Difference for Women and Girls
 - b. Impact on Community
 - c. Public Recognition of Club's Involvement
 - d. Meet specific identifiable community needs
 - e. Innovative/creative approach
- 2. At District meeting, clubs submitting a service award project will be limited to a five minute presentation.
- 3. A vote of delegates at District meeting will determine the winner to compete at Conference for the award.
- 4. At Conference, each District winner will be limited to a 5 minute presentation.
- 5. A vote of the conference delegates will determine the winner of the Governor's Service Award.

FORMULA TO JUDGE GOVERNOR'S SERVICE AWARD

Made A Difference for Women and Girls	(Max. 30 pts.)	
Impact on Community	(Max. 25 pts.)	
Public Recognition of Club's Involvement	(Max. 20 pts.)	
Meets Specific Identifiable Community Needs	(Max. 15 pts.)	
Innovative/Creative Approach	(Max. 10 pts.)	
	Total Points	

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF SOUTHERN REGION

TRAVEL EXPENSE VOUCHER

mail:		P	urpose of Expen	ses:		
			temize OTHER			
20 Mo/Day	Hotel	Meals	Registration	Transport Milea		Explain
/						
/						
/						
/						
/						
/						
otal						
Fina		imburseme	ent		n with Receipts to	-
Title:				Name (Prin	t):	
Date: Telephone Number: //20		Date: / /20	Title:			

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF SOUTHERN REGION OTHER DEPOSIT/EXPENSE FORM

Please use one form for each budget item.

•	sted Amount \$	
Check payable to one of the following:		
Name	or Company	
Address		
CityState _	Zip	
Mail to:		
Attach original receipt/invoice to this form.		
Please place an "X" by the appropriate budget it Gov. Round Table Expense SR Website District Director Expenses Non-Travel Committee/Renaissance Chairs Program Council Membership Award List Names (Ex. Laurel Society) Other (Describe)	Gov. SIA Expense Supplies Postage Recruitment and Retention Public Awareness Fund Raising/Laurel Society Quilt Fund Raising/Other	
Total Funds to be Deposited \$		
Source Funds		
Submitted by	Date	
Governor's Approval	Date	
Check #	Date	

FORM	19p
-------------	-----

Southern Region	
,	Treasurer
Contact Information	

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF SOUTHERN REGION	YEAR
DUES INVOICE	

SI Club		
Name, Treasurer		
Address		
City/State/Zip		
Current Members dues	X \$20.00	\$
New Members dues	X \$20.00	\$
Retired Members dues	X \$20.00	\$
Life Members dues	X \$ 0	\$
District Meeting Fee		+ \$ 25.00
Mandatory Conference Fee		+ \$ 200.00
Total Dues		\$

Also enclose the following:Copy of Federation Roster Form 200 Forms 5008 (for new Members) Forms 5010 (for changes)

Please remit to the above address by July 1.



ALICIA ZACHMAN EMERGING LEADER AWARD APPLICATION FORM

Please complete this form and submit to Southern Region Governor on or before January 15th. Nominations can be mailed, emailed, or faxed.

Applicant	t Name:
Address:	
Telephon	e:
	ldress:
	Number: Date Joined:
Occupation	on: Job Title:
Dowt 1	
	Iave you held any elected offices at the District or Region level?
	No If yes, please list the positions held
	ist the positions held by the nominee at the club level (Please include chair positions.)

Alicia Zachman Emerging Leader Award Application Form Page 2

Part II (Please limit each response to 200 characters. You may use a separate sheet to respond.)

- 1. Why did you join Soroptimist?
- 2. Describe your interest in Soroptimist leadership opportunities and which positions you would like to pursue.
- 3. If selected, would you be willing to participate in a Mentor Program and share the information gained with other members of Southern Region?
- 4. Describe a mentor that has influenced your life.
- 5. Based on your current professional job, which area of leadership training do you feel would be most beneficial to you?
- 6. Please describe any leadership experience you have had in your current or a previous professional work position.
- 7. Other than Soroptimist, are you involved in other volunteer endeavors? If yes, please briefly describe.

Part III (Please complete the following questions. Please limit each response to 200 characters. You may use a separate sheet to respond.)

When called on to do a presentation in front of an audience, I feel	
W	When confronted by a difficult employee or club member, I
Ir	a group of my professional peers or club members, I usually
W	/hen a project in my club needs a chair, I
W	When facilitating a meeting, I find it most challenging when
ıre	: Date:

ALICIA ZACHMAN EMERGING LEADER AWARD JUDGING

PART I

Strong belief in the Soroptimist mission:
 (Applicant must not have held an elected position past the Club level.

PART II.	(Total – 50 points)
	terest in joining Soroptimist. Max 5 points)
	terest and willingness to pursue higher offices/leadership positions beyond the club level fax 10 points)
	illingness to participate in Mentor Program. Iax 10 points)
	escription of a mentor who was an influence. Max 5 points)
	rea of leadership deemed most beneficial. Max 5 points)
	eadership experience in current or previous work positions. Max 10 points)
	volvement in other volunteer endeavors. Max 5 points)
PART III.	. (Total – 50 points)
	all on to present in front of an audience. Max 10 points)
	onfronted with difficult employee or club member. Max 10 points)
	a group of professional peers or club members. Max 10 points)
	hen a club project needs a chair. Max 10 points)
	hen facilitating a meeting, when it is most challenging. Iax 10 points)

SOUTHERN REGION JUDGE'S TALLY SHEET FOR FACEBOOK AWARD

Award is for the Conference year 20____

	AWARD POINTS	JUDGE <u>#1</u>	JUDGE <u>#2</u>	JUDGE <u>#3</u>	TOTALS
Originality, Presentation	on: 20				
Use of Content, Layour	t: 20				
Frequency of Postings:	20				
Current Activities:	20				
Current Publicity:	20				
TOTALS:	100				

1.	Originality in presentation of the club's stories	20 Points
2.	Dynamic use of content and layout	20 Points
3.	Frequency of Facebook postings	20 Points
4.	Incorporation of current Soroptimist mission,	
	themes, activities, and projects	20 Points
5.	Incorporation of current club publicity	20 Points

SOROPTIMIST SOUTHERN REGION HUMAN TRAFFICKING REPORT

Club Name:
Event Chair(s):
HT Event Title:
Type of Event:(Awareness; Education; Fundraiser; etc.)
Date of Event: Location:
Did Your Club Sponsor or Co-Sponsor the Event?
If Co-Sponsor, whom did you partner?
Number of Attendees:
Speakers at Event:
Describe Event:
Would You Recommend Other Clubs Host This Type of Event? Yes No If no, please explain?

Please attach a flyer from the event if possible.

Submit this report to the Southern Region Human Trafficking Committee for each **human trafficking** event your club participates in and/or sponsors to the current committee chair.

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF THE AMERICAS, INC. REGION LEADERSHIP COMMITMENT

I acknowledge that as a member of the Region Board of Governors, or one of its committees (Region leadership), I am subject to and bound by certain policies applicable to all who serve in such positions. I have received copies of the following documents, read and understand them, and agree to abide by them during (and to the extent applicable, after) my tenure with SIA:

- 1. <u>Code of Conduct</u> <u>I</u> agree to conduct myself in an ethical and businesslike manner and to comply with the Region Board's Code of Conduct.
- 2. <u>Confidentiality</u> I confirm that all non-public, confidential information I receive in my capacity as a member of the Region Board of Governors, or one of its committees (Region leadership) should be treated as confidential information that may not be disclosed to others unless and until such disclosure is authorized by SIA. Further acknowledge that this duty to keep information confidential applies to both written and oral information, whether obtained at a formal or otherwise. For example, improper disclosure includes both intentionally revealing confidential information in writing or orally to an unauthorized person, as well as inadvertently copying or forwarding an email, text, or other electronic message or speaking aloud so that an unauthorized person sees or overhears confidential information. I understand that any breach of Region Board confidentiality on my part may result in my immediate removal from the Region Board.
- 3. Conflict of Interest I confirm that I do not now have any possible conflict of interest. I agree to disclose to the Region Board any possible conflict of interest which may arise subsequent to the date of this commitment and to submit regular statements upon request confirming or disclosing such information in accordance with the Region Boards procedure on Conflicts of Interest. I understand that my fiduciary duty of loyalty to SIA and the Region requires me to tell the Region Board in advance about anything in which I am involved that could possibly conflict with the interests of the Region or SIA.

nancial improprieties made by a volunteer(s) in	the region where t have first-hand
lowledge. I agree to submit a report in writing	as soon as possible after the events that gave
se to the situation. I agree not to retaliate again porting.	st or penalize anyone because of the act of
Signature	Date
3	owledge. I agree to submit a report in writing e to the situation. I agree not to retaliate again

Printed

REGION LEADERSHIPS' CODE OF CONDUCT

The Region Board expects of itself, its members and committee members (Region leadership) ethical and businesslike conduct. This commitment includes proper use of authority and appropriate decorum in group and individual behavior when acting as Region leadership.

- 1. Region leadership must represent unconflicted loyalty to the interests of the clubs and the members (ownership). This accountability supersedes any conflicting loyalty such as that to advocacy or interest groups and membership on other boards or staffs. This accountability supersedes the personal interest of any Region leadership acting as an individual consumer of the organization's services.
- 2. Region leadership must avoid any conflict of interest with respect to their fiduciary duty of loyalty to the Region and SIA which requires me to tell the Region Board in advance about anything in which I am involved that could possibly conflict with the interests of the Region or SIA.
 - A. There must be no self-dealing or any conduct of private business or personal services between any Region leadership and the organization except as procedurally controlled to assure openness and competitive opportunity.
 - B. To be considered for any business or other arrangement with the Region, such as a contract for goods or services, s/he must temporarily withdraw from any deliberation, voting and access to applicable information. (See Conflict of Interest procedure).
- 3. Region leadership may not attempt to exercise individual authority over the Region or Clubs except as explicitly set forth in Region bylaws.
 - A. Region leaderships' interaction with the public, press, or other entities must recognize the same limitation and the similar inability of any Region leader to speak for the Region Board.
- 4. Concerns about Region leaders whose conduct may be subject to possible Region Board action should be sent to the Region Board Governor, with copies to the Executive Director and Federation President.

 Administrative concerns should be sent to the Executive Director with copies to the Federation President.

REGION LEADERSHIPS' CONFIDENTIALITY

It is understood that non-public, confidential information coming before members of the Region Board, its members and committee members (Region leadership) should be treated as confidential and should not be disclosed to others unless and until such disclosure is authorized by the authorizing party, may it be the SIA Board, Region Board or Region Governor. The duty to keep information confidential applies to both written and oral information. Whether that information is obtained at a Region Board meeting, or otherwise. Further, it is recognized that some matters that come before the Region leadership can or will significantly affect the personal or professional lives of SIA and its leadership, employees, or their family members.

Region leadership will therefore take particular care not to disclose any confidential information in the course of conversations with others, whether at home, at work, or in the community. For example, improper disclosure includes both intentionally revealing confidential information in writing or orally to an unauthorized person, as well as inadvertently copying or forwarding an email, text, or other electronic message or speaking aloud so that an unauthorized person sees or overhears confidential information. Any breach of confidentiality by a Region leader may result in immediate removal from the Board.

To affirm their understanding of the region leadership's confidentiality each year, Region leaders will sign the *Acknowledgement of Confidentiality*, the text of which is shown below. The signed document wilt be kept on file by the Region.

Acknowledgement of Confidentiality

I hereby acknowledge that all non-public, confidential information I receive in-my capacity as a member of the Region leadership of Soroptimist International of the Americas, Inc. (USIA"), should be treated as confidential information that may not be disclosed to others unless and until such disclosure is authorized by the authorizing party, may it be the SIA Board, Region Board, or Region Governor. I further acknowledge that this duty to keep information confidential applies to both written and oral information, whether that information is obtained at a Region Board or committee meeting, or otherwise.

I also recognize that some matters that come before the Region leadership can or will significantly affect the personal or professional lives of SIA and its Region leadership, employees, or their family member(s). I will take particular care, therefore, not to disclose any confidential information in the course of any conversations with others, whether at home, at work, or in the community. In addition, I will not use confidential information for personal or professional gain for me or any person or entity affiliated with me.

Finally, I expressly acknowledge that any breach of confidentiality on my part may result in my immediate removal from my Region leadership position.

Signature:	Date:
Print Name:	

REGION LEADERSHIPS' CONFLICT OF INTEREST

STATEMENT

Region Board, its members, committee members, and employees ("Persons") will act in a manner to put the interests of Soroptimist International of the Americas, Inc. ("SIA") before any personal benefit.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Conflict of Interest is to ensure that decisions about SIA's Region operations and the use of SIA's Region assets are made solely in terms of benefit to SIA and are not influenced by any private profit or other personal benefit to the individuals affiliated with SIA'S Region who take part in the decision. In addition to actual conflicts of interest, Persons are also obliged to avoid actions that could be perceived or interpreted in conflict with SIA's Region interest.

SCOPE

"Persons" shall mean and include Region Board, its members, committee members, and employees of the Region.

DEFINITIONS

"Involved in an SIA (Region or Club) business transaction" means initiating, making the principal recommendation for, or approving a purchase or contract; recommending or selecting a vendor or contractor; drafting or negotiating the terms of such a transaction; owning an interest of any type in any entity doing or proposing to do business with SIA; or authorizing or making payments from SIA accounts. That language is intended to include not only transactions for SIA's products or procurement of goods and services, but also for the disposition of SIA property and the provision of services by SIA.

A "possible conflict of interest is deemed to exist where the Person, a close relative, or a member of that Person's household, is an officer, director, employee, proprietary partner, shareholder or trustee of, or, when aggregated with dose relatives and members of that Person's household, holds 1% or more of the issued stock or other ownership interest in the organization seeking to do business with SIA.

A "possible conflict of interest" is also considered to exist where such a Person is (or expects to be) retained as a paid consultant or contractor by an organization which seeks to do business with SIA, and whenever a transaction will entail a payment of money or anything else of value to the official, to a close relative, or to a member of that Person's household.

A "possible conflict of interest" exists when an individual affiliated with SIA has an interest in an organization which in competition with a firm seeking to do business with SIA if the individual's position gives him or her access to proprietary or other privileged information which could benefit the firm in which he or she has an interest.

The foregoing descriptions are merely examples of possible conflicts of interest and are not intended to be an exhaustive list.

(See Reverse of Form.)

IMPLEMENTATION

Any Person who may be involved in an SIA business transaction in which there is a possible conflict of interest shall promptly notify the Governor or Executive Director. The Person shall refrain from voting on any such transaction, participating in deliberations concerning it, or using personal influence in any way in the matter. The Person (if serving on the Region Board or Region Board Committee) may not vote with respect to an SIA business transaction in which he or she has a possible conflict of interest. Furthermore, the Person or the Governor shall disclose a potential conflict of interest to the other members of the Region Board or Region Board Committee before any vote on an SIA business transaction, and such disclosure shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it made.

Any SIA business transaction which involves an actual or potential conflict of interest with a Person shall have terms which are at least as fair and reasonable to SIA as those which would otherwise be available to SIA if it were dealing with an unrelated party.

The Conflict of Interest shall be made available to each Person who shall complete the attached questionnaire on an annual basis.

QUESTIONNAIRE

From time to time, SIA shall circulate questionnaires about conflicts of interest to Persons, including upon commencement of service on the Region Board, Region Board Committee, or employment and at least annually thereafter.

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF THE AMERICAS, INC. CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

Soroptimist International of the Americas, Inc. (SIA) believes that Region Board members, Region Board Committee members and employees ("Persons") should deal with customers, agents, suppliers, and all other persons doing business with SIA without any inference or preference based on personal considerations. In order that SIA's records may be clear in this respect, please fill out this questionnaire and return it promptly in a sealed envelope to the attention of the Region Governor.

In responding to these questions, please note that a "yes" answer does not imply that the relationship or transaction is necessarily inappropriate.

1.	any other position of responsibility in any corporation or other enterprise with which SIA has business dealings?
	Yes No
hou	he answer to the foregoing question is "yes," please list the names of such relatives or members of your usehold and of such corporations or enterprises, the positions held and the approximate dollar amount of siness involved with SIÄ last year.
2.	Do you, or does any relative or member of your household have a financial interest in, or receive any remuneration or income from, any enterprise with which SIA has business dealings?
	Yes No
	he answer to the foregoing questions is "yes," please supply the following information: Names of the enterprises in which such interest is held and the person(s) by whom such interest is held:
(b)	Nature and amount of each such financial interest, remuneration, or income:
(b)	Nature and amount of each such financial interest, remuneration, or income:

3.	Have you or has any close relative or member of your household accepted personal gifts or gratuities or derived any other benefit or pecuniary profit during the past year from any person, company, partnership, or other enterprise (including a non-profit organization), which has sold supplies, products, or services to, or otherwise has done business with SIA?				
		Yes	No		
4.	Were you involved in any other activity during conflict of interest?	g the last year tha	t might be interpreted as a possible		
		Yes	No		
resolve assume	In order to assure full disclosure of potential conflicts of interest so that such situations may be ethically resolved, and to ensure that SIA is aware of the elimination of a potential conflict of interest situation, I hereby assume the duty of notifying SIA in writing of any additions to, deletions from, or modifications of the above information.				
Further	r, I certify that the foregoing information is true	and complete to	the best of my knowledge.		
Sig	gnature:		_		
Pri	nt Name:		_		
Dat	te:		_		
Receiv	ved by Region Governor				
Sig	nature:		_		
Pri	nt Name:		_		
Dat	te:		_		

WHISTLEBLOWER POLICY/REPORTING FINANCIAL IMPROPRIETIES

SIA is committed to operating in compliance with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations, including those concerning accounting and auditing, and prohibits fraudulent practices by any of its Region volunteers. This policy outlines a procedure for Region volunteers to report actions they reasonably believe violates a law, rule, or regulation that constitutes fraudulent accounting or other practices.

Region volunteers include the Region Board, and all volunteers of the Region. If Region volunteers have reasonable belief or actual knowledge that financial misconduct has or is within the Region, they are to report their concerns to protect the assets and interest of the SIA region. Any expenditure of the Region's resources that is inconsistent with its charitable purpose constitutes misuse; e.g. embezzlement, misappropriation of goods, services, or resources; diversion of assets; forgery or alteration of documents; fraudulent financial reporting; stealing conflict of interest situations that result in financial loss; violation of SIA financial policies for personal gain.

Region volunteers can confidentially report alleged improprieties in writing to the Region Governor, SIA executive director & CEO and SIA President. If for any reason a region volunteer finds it difficult to report his or her concern to the region governor, SIA Executive Director & CEO or SIA President, the Region volunteer can submit the report in writing to the SIA Board Secretary/Treasurer with copies to the SIA President or SIA Executive Director & CEO or SIA Chief Operating & Financial Officer. The report should be written as soon as possible after the events that gave rise to the situation.

The person receiving the report shall acknowledge receipt of the report in writing and conduct a preliminary review to determine the appropriate course of action. If it is determined a formal investigation should be conducted, the matter will be turned over to the Region Governor or if concerning the Region Governor, turned over to the SIA Executive Director & CEO and SIA President. Upon completion of the investigation, the findings will be reported to the SIA Board and Region Board. Based upon this report, the SIA Board will determine what additional action if any, should be taken.

Any Region volunteer who reports a problem in good faith will not be retaliated against or penalized because of the act of reporting. Region volunteers found to have engaged in retaliatory behavior may be subject to discipline. Knowingly making false reports will result in disciplinary action.

District Director's Handbook



REPORT OF DISTRICT DIRECTOR OFFICIAL VISIT

Da	ite:			
Soroptimist International of			District	
Club Website Address				
President	E-mail			
Treasurer	E-mail			
Attendance during visit: Members	Guests	Total	_	
Purpose of Meeting:				
Describe the spirit of the meeting:				
What is outstanding about this club?				
Are there areas of weakness that need either If yes, list possible problem-solving solu	_			
List the club's 3-5 top activities. Include e membership, public relations, and/or fundr		such as Live Y	our Dream, D	ream It, Be It, service
Describe club communications, both interr	nal and external,	and include clu	b e-mail accou	unt activity:
Submitted by District Director () Submit to both the current Governor and G	Governor-Elect.		on	(date)

Please use the back of this page if more room is needed.

(Page 1)

1.	One year p	rior to the meeting accept the invitation from a club to host the meeting.
	a.	Host Club
	b.	Date
	c.	Location
2.	Six to four	months prior to the meeting:
۷.	a.	Contact the Club President to obtain names, addresses, and phone/fax numbers of:
		2. Registration
		3. Meeting Treasurer
		4. Meeting Secretary
	b.	Select topic for keynote address and contact speaker (optional):
		Topic
		Speaker
		Address
		Phone and fax numbers
	c.	Send confirmation to each presenter/speaker with the following information: Logistics of the day (when, where, time)
		Desired content of the workshop or speech Length of presentation, including time for questions and answers
		Lodging, meals, and travel arrangements/allowance Request a copy of her/his resume for use when doing introductions
		Ask if any special equipment will be needed (computer, projector, flip chart, etc.)
		Remember these costs will need to be added to your projected expenses.
3.	Three mon	ths prior to the meeting:
	a.	Meet with the Host Club President, General Coordinator, and Committee to confirm:
		 Meeting location (verify name, address, phone number) Meal costs: breakfast \$ lunch \$
		3. Registration deadline (date):
4.	Name and	title of person giving community welcome, if any:
5.	Name of pe	ersons doing:
	•	Pledge to the Flag
		Thought for the Day

DIRECTOR'S DISTRICT MEETING TIME LINE

(Page 2)

		Roll call of clubs (if not the Director)
		Credentials report
		b. Map of the area with meeting place clearly marked.
		c. Review budget with President and General Coordinator.
		d. Raffle (optional).
		e. Discuss meeting theme and room arrangements with President and Coordinator:
		1. Theme
		2. Room arrangements/properties:
		General sessions and meals:
		Estimated attendance
		Number of people per table
		Same or different room for meals
		Tables: rounds rectangles
		Placement of registration table
		Tables for club sales: Estimated #
		Workshops: number of rooms and seating styles
		Obtaining and placement of U.S. flag and Soroptimist banner
		Location and working condition of electrical outlets and switches
		Head Table: Number of people
		Modesty cloth, name cards, water glasses, and pitchers.
		Lectern placement
		Equipment: audio, visual-flip chart, easel, computer, projector etc.
		Decorations
4.	Two r	months to 30 days prior to meeting:
т.	a.	Check with the host club on arrangements for printing of the program and
	a.	to ensure everything is proceeding according to schedule.
		to ensure everything is proceeding according to schedule.
5.	Two v	weeks to seven days prior to meeting:
	a.	Proof read and approve the printing of the meeting program
	b.	Prepare meeting dialogue using the agenda as an outline
	c.	Visit the meeting site, if possible to confirm set up
6.	The D	
	a.	Arrive early on the meeting day, give everything one final check
7 Or	ne to two	weeks following the meeting:
7. 01	a.	Send thank-you notes to all meeting participants and the host club
	a.	Send thank-you notes to an meeting participants and the nost club
8. Or	ne week t	o 45 days following the meeting:
	a.	Obtain the final financial report from the host club, including receipts for all
		expenditures.
	b.	Within 45 days after the meeting, send a copy of the final District Meeting Financial
		Report (Form 5h), including all receipts and a club check (if meeting has an overage)
		to the Region Treasurer. Send 3 additional copies as required on Form 5h.
	c.	Approve the minutes. Send copies to each club in the District, the Governor
		and Governor-elect.

HOST CLUB TIME LINE AND DISTRICT MEETING CHECK LIST

(Page 1)

(Director: please mail to Host Club President)

1.	Six to		o months prior to the meeting:
			ict Director and host club Coordinator and Treasurer hold budget discussion and
		make	e preliminary arrangements for meeting facility, meals.
2.	Five 1	months	prior to the meeting:
			rict Director, host club Coordinator and Treasurer meet to finalize.
		a.	Meeting location
		b.	Meal costs: Breakfast \$ Lunch \$
		c.	
		d.	Registration deadline date:
		e.	Name of persons doing:
		٠.	Pledge to Flag
			Thought for the day
			Roll Call of clubs
			Credentials report
		f.	Map of area with meeting place clearly marked.
		g.	Meeting theme and room arrangements/properties:
		5.	Theme
			Room arrangement/properties:
			General sessions and meals:
			Estimated attendance number of people per table
			Tables: rounds rectangles
			Placement of registration table, delegate tables, and chairs.
			Tables for club sales, if any, estimated #
			Workshops: number of rooms seating style?
			Obtaining and placement of U.S. Flag and Soroptimist banner.
			Location and working condition of electrical outlets and switches.
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
			Head table arrangements:
			Number of people
			Modesty cloth Name cards
			Water glasses and pitchers
			Lectern placement
		1.	Equipment: audio visual, flip chart, microphones, etc.
		h.	Raffle (optional)
		1.	Lodging needs
3.	Two	to three	months to 30 days prior to meeting:
		a.	Acquire material for registration packets.
		b.	Contact printer to make arrangements for printing of the program (District
		υ.	Director to provide).
		C	Contact those providing services and supplies to ensure all is on schedule.
		c. d.	Collect items for "goodie bags" (optional).
		u.	Concernation goodie bags (optional).

4. Forty-five (45) days prior to the meeting:			days prior to the meeting:
		a.	Send the Official Call.
5.	Two w	eeks to s	seven days prior to meeting:
		a.	Print meeting program (after District Director approval).
		b.	Process registration forms (advise District Director of clubs who have not registered).
		c.	Develop a list of attendees and prepare name badges.
		d.	Prepare registration packets.
6	The da	y before	:
		a.	Do set-up and decorating of meeting location, if possible.
7.	The Ev	ening be	efore:
		a.	Social Dinner (optional).
8.	The Da	ay:	
		a.	All committee members and other club members involved in the meeting. should arrive early.
		b.	Give everything one final check.
		c.	Manage registration.
9.	One w	eek to 45	5 days following the meeting:
		a.	Prepare financial statement and submit to District Director. Include copies of source documents, supporting receipts and invoices for expenses. If income exceeded expenses, include a club check for the appropriate amount made payable to Southern Region and send it to the District Director.
		b.	Secretary submit minutes to District Director for distribution to clubs and Region Board.

SAMPLE DISTRICT MEETING BUDGET

For use by District Director in obtaining registration fee for District Meeting.

EXPENSES:	
Rent of premises for event	\$
Complimentary meals @ x \$per meal	\$
Decorations for head table only	\$
Duplicating and postage for program and minutes	\$
Pro-rata share of common call	\$
Guest speaker acknowledgment, if any	\$
Miscellaneous needs	\$
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$
Divide total expenses by number of projected attendees. This was averaged of marting. Remember, the marting is to be self supp	•

expenses of meeting. Remember, the meeting is to be self-supporting.

When estimating number of attendees, refer to previous years' District Meeting. When projecting the attendance, don't over estimate. Your registration fee needs to be sufficient to cover all expenses even if the attendance is less than previous years.

Meals cannot be increased to cover additional costs of the meeting.

Contact Region Treasurer for a check from the Region (FORM 18p) for the District fee per club times the number of clubs in your District. All attendees will pay the registration fee and meal costs.

DISTRICT MEETING FINANCIAL REPORT

Prepare 4 copies and disburse as follows: Original: Region Treasurer		
Copy: Region Governor		
Copy: District Director:		
Copy: Club records		
AMOUNT RECEIVED: Registration fees from each club	Total	\$
registration rees from each club		
No. of Club s @ \$25/each	\$	
Registration and meals:		
@ \$ each	\$	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$
AMOUNT DISBURSED:		
Meals paid @ \$	each	\$
Complimentary meals @ \$	each	\$
Duplicating and postage for program and min	nutes	\$
Decorations: head table		\$
Guest speaker acknowledgment		\$
Rent for premises, if any		\$
Refunds, if any		\$
Other (please describe)		\$
	TOTAL DISBURSEMENT	\$
	NET PROFIT OR LOSS \$	
Chair	Director Approva	al

DISTRICT MEETING EVALUATION

Date
District #
Location
Are you a new member?
Have you attended a District Meeting in the past?
What session gave you the most information?
What Program areas of Soroptimist would you like to see on the agenda next fall (check several)?
Live Your Dream Awards STOP TRAFFICKING Dream It, Be It
Club Grants for Women and Girls Workplace Campaign to End Domestic Violence
Other (topic)
What topics would you like presented at District Meetings?
Membership Public Awareness Leadership Fundraising
Other (topic)
Are Friday night activities beneficial? Yes/No Explain
How do you suggest we get other club members to attend the next District Meeting?
Comments:

GOVERNOR'S SERVICE AWARD

(See Procedures Section, Southern Region Forms Manual)

TRAVEL EXPENSE VOUCHER

(See Procedures Section, Southern Region Forms Manual)

DEPOSIT/EXPENSE FORM

(See Procedures Section, Southern Region Forms Manual)

Conference Planning Guide

TENTATIVE EVENT SCHEDULE

Day	Event	Location	Time
Wednesday	Board Dinner		6:00 p.m. until ?
Thursday	Board Meeting	Board Room	8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
	"Dutch Treat" dinner		6:00 p.m.
Friday	Board meeting (cont.)	Board Room	8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
	Registration		12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m.
	Past Governors Luncheon		11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
	Market Place		12:00 noon – 6:00 p.m.
	Opening ceremonies		1:00 p.m.
	Workshops		2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
	Dinner (entertainment? – no		6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
	cost if possible)		
Saturday	Registration		7:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
	Breakfast		7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.
	General Business Meeting		8:15 a.m. – 12:00 noon
	Luncheon	(seated or buffet)	12:00 noon – 1:30 p.m.
	Workshops		2:00 p.m
	First Timer's Reception		
	Reception (cash bar)		6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
	Dinner		7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sunday	Breakfast		7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.
	"Celebration of Life" memorial		8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
	service		
	Business Meeting		9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
	Post-Conference Board Meeting		12:00 noon – until ?

SAMPLE CONFERENCE BUDGET

Income:		
Mandatory Registration	(26 clubs @\$100)	
		\$3,000.00
Conference Package	(100 @ \$125 each)	\$12,500.00
Region Board Conference	Expense from General Fund	\$5,500.00
Non Delegate Registration	(50 @ \$25)	\$1,000.00
		Projected Total Income
		\$22,250.00
Expense:		
Meal Package	(100 @ \$125 each)	
_		\$12,500.00
Region Board		
Conference Expense		\$5,500.00
-		
Program/Printing	Registration Forms	\$50.00
	Programs & Covers	\$1,500.00
	Badges/Ribbons	\$150.00
	Copier/Fax/Computer	\$200.00
Entertainment		\$300.00
Seminars/Workshops		\$300.00
Table Decorations		\$300.00
Flowers		\$200.00
		·
Miscellaneous	Equipment	\$300.00
	Postage/Supplies	\$350.00
	Board Room Amenities	\$150.00
	Bartender	\$150.00
	Public Relations	\$100.00
	Transportation	\$100.00
	Table Rental (Market Place)	\$100.00
	1 11 (11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	,=
Total Expenses		\$22,250.00

Note: If a net income is realized, it will be returned to Region Treasurer for deposit to the Conference Account.

PROGRAM "AD" AGREEMENT

SOUTHERN REGION _____ CONFERENCE SOUTHERN REGION CONFERENCE PROGRAM BOOK

Introduce your club, your business, yourself or your profession to the other Southern Region Soroptimists by placing an advertisement in the Southern Region Conference Program Book.

Ad sizes for the KEEPSAKE PROGRAM BOOK are as follows:

BUSINESS CARD ½ Page FULL PAGE INSIDE BACK COVER BACK COVER PAGE

Please complete the following:		
Name:		
Club Name:		
Company (if applicable):		
E-mail:	Phone:	
Address:		
Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$		
Please make check payable to: Soroptimis	t Southern Region	
Mail checks and completed form to:		
Name:		
Address:		
Phone:		
E-mail:		

MARKETPLACE REGISTRATION FORM Southern Region _____Conference

______Com

Sales Tables will be available Friday afternoon and Saturday (during breaks from the Workshops and Business Meeting), only. There are no fees for the Sales Tables. The Marketplace is provided for Soroptimist clubs and members only.
Due to limited space, each club will be given one display table. No electrical outlets are available. The Marketplace area will be unsecured. Members will need to stay with their tables and remove items when the table is not attended.
PLEASE PRINT:
Club Name:
Contact Person:
Address:
Telephone:Email
Describe the products you will have for sale at Region Conference
Mail Completed form to:
Name:Address:
Phone:
Fmail·

CREDENTIALS SUMMARY REPORT (See Procedures Section Southern Region Forms Manual)

CREDENTIALS REPORT (See Procedures Section Southern Region Forms Manual)

POLICIES AND FEES (See Procedures Section Southern Region Forms Manual)