7.02 NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS FOR GOVERNOR (RCP 14.0).

District 6820 shall select a nominee for governor not more than 36 months, but not less than 24 months, prior to the day of taking office.

Nominees so elected shall serve a one-year term as governorelect and assume office on 1 July in the calendar year prior to their elected year.

District 6820 shall follow the nominating procedures for governor listed in the Rotary International Bylaws Article 13.020.

In addition:

The Nominating Committee of District 6820 shall seek out and propose qualified Rotarians to serve as District Governor. The clubs of District 6820 shall be invited to propose candidates for district governor-nominee. Any club proposing a candidate shall have submitted to the committee a resolution of endorsement form before the candidate will be considered by the Nominating Committee.

The District Governor shall issue an announcement prior to August 1 inviting the clubs of District 6820 to submit names of qualified candidates for consideration by the Nominating Committee.

Any club submitting the name of a Rotarian for consideration must submit the name and all required documentation to the Chairman of Nominating Committee prior to October 31.

The required resolution shall make reference to and give details about the involvement of the candidate in Rotary, civic, and business or professional activities.

Any Rotarian proposed by a Rotary Club of district 6820 must submit a statement with the required resolution, indicating that he or she has studied the Rotary International Manual of Procedure detailing the status, qualifications, and duties of the office of the District Governor and must express his or her commitment and preparation and willingness to serve, if elected, and to meet the requirements set forth in the RI Manual of Procedure and these rules of Procedure of District 6820.

The nominating committee shall consider all proposed candidates. The committee shall be encouraged to seek candidates in addition to those submitted by any Rotary Club of District 6820.

In the event that a relative of a nominating committee member chooses to interview for the position of DGN, that member shall recluse himself/herself from the committee for that year, and a replacement shall be named by the sitting District Governor. Also, if a nominating committee member is unavailable for the interview process, a replacement shall be named by the sitting Governor.

The report of the nominating committee shall be submitted to the District Governor no later than December 15, and notifies the governor of the candidate selected within 24 hours after the nominating committee adjourns. The governor notifies all candidates of the decision.

The District Governor shall announce the of the Rotarian selected by the nominating committee as follows:

First, to the Rotary club that had submitted any name or names for consideration by e-mail within 72 hours of notification by the nominating committee by December 31.

After the nominating committee's announcement and prior to January 10, challenging candidates may be proposed within 14 days of email notification,-with all the following conditions:

If the club offering the name had submitted a candidate as specified in District 6820 Rules of Procedure.

If the District Governor had been notified, in writing, on or before a date determined by the District Governor, but at least two weeks after the announcement of the nominating committee of the Rotary Club's intent to propose a challenging candidate.

If clubs do not submit any challenges by the deadline or if all challenges are withdrawn, then the governor will declare the nominating committee selection to be the official District Governor Nominee Designate and notify all club presidents within 15 days.

If a challenging candidate has been proposed, the District Governor notifies clubs of any challenging candidates and asks if clubs wish to concur by a date selected by the District Governor. Within seven days of the deadline of concurrences, if a valid challenge and the necessary concurrences are received prior to the deadline, the governor notifies clubs of names and qualifications of each candidate, and the names of the challenging and concurring clubs. The governor also informs clubs that the District Governor Nominee shall be elected by vote on a date to be determined by the District Governor but no later than February 28. At which time the nominee will be officially elected as the District Governor Nominee Designee of District 6820. When voting on the selection of the governor nominee, all votes from a club with more than one vote shall be cast for the same candidate.