

MOTIONS ON NOTICE PERTAINING TO DP 9.7 SPEECH CONTESTS

CURRENT WORDING OF 9.7

9.7 Division Conferences shall be held over separate weekends in March or April in the following groupings. This allows the three senior officers (DD, PQD and CGD) to attend all these Division Conferences:

- Group 1 Divisions K, O and R
- Group 2 Divisions L, N and Q
- Group 3 Divisions M and P

Motion 1

“That the DP 9.7 be amended to set fixed groupings”

9.7 The groupings below reflect the weekends over which the Division Conferences will be held. This facilitates representation of one of the Trio (DD, PQD and CGD) at each Division Conference:

- **Group 1 Divisions K, O and R**
- **Group 2 Divisions L, N and Q**
- **Group 3 Divisions M and P**

CURRENT WORDING OF DP 9.7.1

9.7.1 The weekend selected for each group is to be determined by agreement between the Division Directors Elect at a meeting prior to the 30th of June. In the event of a disagreement the Program Quality Director Elect shall determine the issue.

Motion 2

“That DP 9.7.1 be deleted, and DP 9.7.2 be renumbered DP 9.7.1”

9.7.2 There shall be a gap of at least two weekends between the last group and the District Conference. This is to allow the Program Quality Director time to appoint judges who meet the criteria in the rulebook.

CURRENT WORDING OF DP 9.7.3

9.7.3 Division Directors elect are to advise the District Director Elect the dates and general location of their Division Conference no later than the 30th June.

Motion 3

"That DP 9.7.3 be amended to read..."

97.3 Draft Division Conference(s) dates set by the current District Team, need to be ratified by the Trio Elect after consultation with the Division Directors Elect no later than 30th June.

Motion 4

“That DP 9.7.3 be renumbered to DP 9.7.2”

CURRENT WORDING OF DP 9.8

9.8 Provided that DP 9.7 is complied with, a Division Council, may decide to split their speech contest finals over two events: The Division Conference (9.7) and an earlier contest (referred to as the “Division Contest”). The Program Quality Director must be advised the details of the split by 31st July. (Such a split has District budget implications)

Motion 5

“That the current DP 9.8 be replaced with...”

9.8 Division Speech Contests:

9.8.1 Division Table Topics and Humorous Speech Contests are to be held in the months of October / November each year.

9.8.2 Division Evaluation and International Speech Contests are to be held in the months of March / April each year.

CURRENT WORDING OF DP 9.9

9.9 Unless the Division Council, determines otherwise by 30th June, the Area Contests shall be held in a two-week window, ending two weeks prior to their Division Contest.

Motion 6

Add the wording after discussion with the PQD and change two-week window to three week-window

“That 9.9 be amended to read”

9.9 Unless the Division Council, after discussion with the PQD, determines otherwise by 30th June, the Area Contests will be held in a three-week window, ending two weeks prior to their Division Contest.

NO CHANGES TO DP 9.10, DP 9.11 and DP 9.12

9.10 No Area or Division Contest/Conference may be held on a weekend which clashes with either:

- (i) District Officer Training; or
- (ii) A neighbouring Division’s Conference/Contest or Club Officer Training.

9.11 District Finalists will meet their own costs for, optional meals, travel and accommodation.

9.11.1 If they attend only the contest and the contest briefing, and no other part of the

conference, they shall pay no registration.

9.11.2 If attending the full conference, will be charged the early bird or first timer rate whichever is lower.

9.11.3 If attending for one day only they shall be charged 80% of the daily rate.

9.12 For the purposes of District Procedure 9, should the office of Area Director be vacant, or the Area Director is unable or unwilling to act, then the Division Director or the Division Director Elect is authorised to convene the Area Council, and may, if appropriate appoint an independent non-voting chair for the meeting. Should the office of Division Director be vacant, the District Director or District Director Elect shall appoint someone to convene and chair the Division Council.