

PROPOSAL
TO THE
OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 2, 2011

CANDIDATES FOR INTERNATIONAL OFFICE

Rationale: In an effort to clarify who is allowed to receive the international convention delegate email addresses for campaigning purposes, the following revision to Board Policy I-33 is offered. It is noted that currently, the International Bylaws Article V, Section 6B2(d) dictates that candidates are placed in nomination during the convention, therefore there are no “official” candidates per se, but there are “declared” candidates, either by the Candidate Qualifications Committee or by an individual.

Motion Requested:

That the Board of Directors revised Policy I-33 as shown below:

International Directory and Mailing Lists - Use of

I-33

Believing that the Official Directory and mailing lists, containing the names and addresses of Club, District and International officers and members, is a record to be held in trust, their use for commercial, political, or solicitation purposes shall be denied to all. Use of such lists for purposes consistent with the objectives of Optimist International may be granted by the Board of Directors. Requests for the use of such lists for purposes consistent with the functions of District administration must be submitted in writing by the governor.

Because the objectives of Optimist International are served by providing information to the delegates in advance of the convention regarding the candidates for International office so that they can make informed decisions, ~~official~~ **declared** candidates for the offices of International President-Elect, International Vice President-Elect and International Board Member at Large may obtain, at their own expense, a mailing list (regular addresses and/or email addresses) of those members who have registered for the International Convention at which the election will be held. This mailing list may be requested only one time during an Optimist year, the date of which is at the candidate’s discretion so long as it is at least 30 days prior to the start of the convention.

Respectfully submitted,

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2010-2011 International President