



Senior Chamber International

(Responsible and Active Citizenship)



MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION & RULES AND REGULATIONS (POLICY MANUAL) 2026 - 27

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

(Policy Manual)



(As Amended at the General Assembly held on 7th March, 2026 at Bunts Sangha, Bengaluru during the National Concourse hosted by Bangalore Legion)

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Memorandum of Association

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Preamble

“Senior Chamber International” is the Alumni of Junior Chamber International, the largest individual development organization of the world. The Jaycees who crossed the age of 40 years, who decided to continue their association on the firm belief that the trained individual can contribute to the betterment of the society.

On 3rd April 1997 a few Past Jaycees of Calicut, formed this unique organization called **Indian Senior Chamber**, with the motto “Responsible and Active Citizenship”. Later, on 18th October 2021 this was registered as “**Senior Chamber International**” under the Societies Registration act XXI of 1860 vide certificate no KKD/CA/333/2021.

- I. Name:** The name of the Society is **Senior Chamber International**
- II. Office:** The Principal office of the society is at Calicut in the state of Kerala, India.
- III. Address:** # 20 Ground Floor, Vyapara Bhavan, Bank Road Calicut, Kerala, India 673 001.
- IV. Area of Operation:** The area of operation of the society shall be The Union of India and Other Countries.
- V. Vision & Mission:**

Vision: “To be the leading network of Responsible and active citizens aged above 40 years from JCI and other NGO’s for Creating a Better World”

Mission: “To promote and provide opportunities that gives passion to Responsible and Active Citizenship”

VI. Aims & Objectives of the Society

- 1. To promote goodwill and fellowship among its members and the general public
- 2. To encourage responsible and active citizenship among the public in general and its members in particular

3. To act as a non-governmental organization in community development programs of the government, local bodies, statutory boards, and charity works.
4. To impart necessary awareness and civic sense in the general public.
5. To act as guiding organization to protect the legal and ethical rights of the Senior Citizens of the land and also to ensure comfortable and peaceful living condition to them.

VII. Activities of the Society

The proposed activities of the Society to achieve the above objectives are as follows:

1. To organize seminars, symposia, workshops and the like in pursuance of the objects of the society.
2. To build, run and manage libraries, education institutions, houses for the poor & destitute etc.
3. To perform works of charity and services for those in need irrespective of caste, creed or Community.
4. To encourage the extension of Senior Chamber legions of this Society throughout India and other countries in such manner as may be deemed fit.
5. To co-ordinate the activities of the members called its legions of the Society and to take common action in the interest of the Society.
6. To foster amongst the individual members of the Society, a spirit of genuine civic interest, offering them opportunities for participation, in social and economic advancement of the Nation.
7. To invest the money of the Society not immediately required, in such securities as are provided in the Indian Trust Act.
8. To rent, purchase, build and lease or otherwise acquire suitable land, building or buildings and to fit and furnish the same or make arrangements for the building or building filled and furnished.
9. To manage, conduct and carry on in the building, purchased, rented, leased, built or otherwise acquired the business of the society for the convenience of the members of the Society and visitors thereto.
10. To raise funds through subscription from individual members of legion for the fulfillment of the objects of the Society.
11. To borrow any money required for the purpose of the Society with or without securities as may be determined.

12. To extend the benefits of the Society to the general public of the Country even beyond the members of this Society.
13. To extend the Senior Chamber movement to other countries of the world.
14. To establish a Secretariat and other administrative offices of Senior Chamber International.
15. To donate or otherwise assist in any manner to any public charitable institutions or public charitable objects in so far as such donation or assistance are not in contravention of the objects of the Society.
16. To contribute or subscribe to Government or local bodies, institutions such sum on such terms and conditions for all or any of the objects of the Society herein before or herein after stated.
17. To subscribe, contribute or donate to any public fund, devoted to any public or charitable object.
18. To accept any contribution in cash or in kind from any person, firm, company, institution or Governments for such purpose and objects as are enumerated in the memorandum.
19. To take any action conducive to the accomplishment of any of the above purposes. The objects outlined in any sub-clause of this clause shall not be in any way restricted by reference to or inference from the term of any other sub- clause or the powers thereby conferred shall be deemed subsidiary or ancillary merely to the objects mentioned in the first sub-clause of these clauses of the society shall have full powers in all or any part of this clause.
20. To apply the income and property of the Society where so ever derived from, solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Society as set forth in this memorandum of association and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by ways of dividends, bonus or otherwise, however by way of profits that nothing herein shall prevent the payment of salary or remuneration in good faith to officers or employed staff of the Society or other persons in return or any services actually rendered to the Society.
21. To act as a guiding organization to protect the legal and ethical rights of the Senior Citizens and also to ensure comfortable and peaceful living condition to them and also file necessary litigation before the concerned authorities including High Court and Supreme Court.



Senior Chamber International

Articles of Association

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ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the Society is **Senior Chamber International**

ARTICLE II – OFFICE

The Principal office of the society is at Calicut in the state of Kerala, India.

ARTICLE III – ADDRESS

The address of the Society: # 20 Ground Floor, Vyapara Bhavan, Bank Road Calicut, Kerala, India 673 001. Mob: +91 9745221380, Email: scinsclt@gmail.com

ARTICLE IV – AREA OF OPERATION

The area of operation of the society shall be The Union of India and Other Countries.

ARTICLE V – OBJECTIVE

1. To promote goodwill and fellowship among its members and the general public
2. To encourage responsible and active citizenship among the public in general and its members in particular
3. To act as a non-governmental organization in community development programs of the government, local bodies, statutory boards, and charity works.
4. To impart necessary awareness and civic sense in the general public.
5. To act as guiding organization to protect the legal and ethical rights of the Senior Citizens of the land and also to ensure comfortable and peaceful living condition to them.

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5. To co-ordinate the activities of the members called its legions of the Society and to take common action in the interest of the Society.
6. To foster amongst the individual members of the Society, a spirit of genuine civic interest, offering them opportunities for participation, in social and economic advancement of the Nation.
7. To invest the money of the Society not immediately required, in such securities as are provided in the Indian Trust Act.
8. To rent, purchase, build and lease or otherwise acquire suitable land, building or buildings and to fit and furnish the same or make arrangements for the building or building filled and furnished.
9. To manage, conduct and carry on in the building, purchased, rented, leased, built or otherwise acquired the business of the society for the convenience of the members of the Society and visitors thereto.
10. To raise funds through subscription from individual members of legion for the fulfillment of the objects of the Society.
11. To borrow any money required for the purpose of the Society with or without securities as may be determined.
12. To extend the benefits of the Society to the general public of the Country even beyond the members of this Society.
13. To extend the Senior Chamber movement to other countries of the world.
14. To establish a Secretariat and other administrative offices of Senior Chamber International.

15. To donate or otherwise assist in any manner to any public charitable institutions or public charitable objects in so far as such donation or assistance are not in contravention of the objects of the Society.
16. To contribute or subscribe to Government or local bodies, institutions such sum on such terms and conditions for all or any of the objects of the Society herein before or herein after stated.
17. To subscribe, contribute or donate to any public fund, devoted to any public or charitable object.
18. To accept any contribution in cash or in kind from any person, firm, company, institution or Governments for such purpose and objects as are enumerated in the memorandum.
19. To take any action conducive to the accomplishment of any of the above purposes. The objects outlined in any sub-clause of this clause shall not be in any way restricted by reference to or inference from the term of any other sub- clause or the powers thereby conferred shall be deemed subsidiary or ancillary merely to the objects mentioned in the first sub-clause of these clauses of the society shall have full powers in all or any part of this clause.
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21. To act as a guiding organization to protect the legal and ethical rights of the Senior Citizens and also to ensure comfortable and peaceful living condition to them and also file necessary litigation before the concerned authorities including High Court and Supreme Court.

ARTICLE VII – REGISTRATION

1. The Society is registered under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860 Vide No.KKD/CA/333/2021
2. The objects and activities of the Society as set out in the Memorandum of Associations may be altered abridged or extended subject to the provisions of the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860 and rules framed therewith in force from time to time.

ARTICLE VIII – AFFILIATION

All Legions in India and other Countries shall be affiliated with the Senior Chamber International.

ARTICLE IX – JURISDICTION

1. No Association or Society or Institution or Organization in any part of the Union of India & other countries shall be entitled to be known as Senior Chamber International, unless it is affiliated with this Society under Article XII.
2. This Society has the exclusive right to assign and allot territories within the Union of India and other country Legions.
3. In all aspects concerning the dispute of sponsorship and territorial limits the decision of the SCI Governing Board of Senior Chamber International shall be final.
4. The Society shall have a policy manual governing the activities as defined hereunder: The policy manual of the society means and includes the rules and regulations governing the activities of the Society particularly the duties of officers, their minimum standards of performance, working of various portfolios, adoption of programs, official publications, model Legion constitution, all other formal procedures including suspension of services to legions and all other matters pertaining to the organizations not inconsistent with the Constitution of the Society

ARTICLE X

1. THE LOGO

- i) The Society shall have an official logo as illustrated below. The colors of the logo shall be blue for the outlining and lettering and the continents shall be in gold colour.



- ii) The font for the lettering “**Senior Chamber International**” shall be old English in blue colour.
- iii) The banner, scroll, stationary or any other material shall have the name of the Legion, logo etc. strictly in accordance with article X (i) & (ii)

2. CREED

The society shall have a creed as given below. The creed shall be recited at the beginning of all meetings of Senior Chamber International. The creed shall be as under:

We believe

**that age is only a cipher, a number for the record;
that man cannot retire his experience;
that he must use it responsibly and actively; and
that he must be a paragon of perfect citizenship.**

ARTICLE XI – INTERPRETATION

1. An Active member of the year means a local organization of seniors affiliated to this society having permanent affiliation and is not in arrears of any installments of its dues to this Society who has paid the full year of its dues to this Society and who has paid its dues for an average minimum membership required under article XII 2 b (iii) of this constitution, on or before the due date.
2. The Regional concourse of SCI – means the Regional Meeting of this Society as stated in Article XIII
3. Annual General Meeting of SCI - means the annual meeting of this Society as stated in Article XVI
4. Legion – means a local organization member who is duly affiliated to this society as stated in accordance with the society.
5. Constitution - Constitution of the Society means and includes the Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association as amended from time to time.
6. Senior – means any individual who is a member of any legion affiliated to this Society who has crossed the age of 40.
7. Model Legion Constitution – means the memorandum of association and policies of association for a legion for its functioning, as duly approved by the Senior Chamber International General Body.
8. SCI Regional Committee – means the body of officers of this society as stated in Article XV
9. SCI Regional Concourse – means a meeting of active members of that Region under Article XIII
10. SCI General Assembly – means a meeting of active members of the General body under Article XVI.

11. Preceding year – means the year prior to the year for which the person is seeking elections.
12. Society – means Senior Chamber International
13. Year – means the official year commencing from 1st April and ending on 31st March every year.
14. The Senior Chamber International Governing Board - means the body comprising of Senior Chamber International Executive as stated in article XVIII 1(a) and the appointees appointed by the SCI President for that year as per article XVIII 1(f).
15. The Past National Presidents and Past National Vice Presidents, hereinafter referred as Past SCI Presidents and Past SCI Vice Presidents.
16. Foundation - means Senior Chamber International Foundation Charitable and Educational Trust registered vide No 331/IV/2022 dated 18.10.2022 under Indian Trust Act 1882
17. Seniorette – means wife of a male Senior Member.
18. Senior Lord - means the spouse of Lady Senior, who is not a Senior

ARTICLE XII – MEMBERSHIP

1. Member

- a) Every member shall be bound by the constitution of Society.
- b) Classification -There shall be 4 types of memberships
 - (i) Provisional members
 - (ii) Active members
 - (iii) Associate members
 - (iv) Honorary members
- c) Every member (Legion) of the society shall be known as **Senior Chamber International** (Name of the Legion)

2. Eligibility

a) Provisional member

- i) Provisional membership may be granted by SCI Executive Committee.
- ii) Provisional members should have a minimum membership of fifteen.
- iii) Have objectives and policies not in variance to this society.

- iv) Should have paid one-year dues to this Society along with an affiliation fee as decided by the General Assembly from time to time.
- v) Provisional membership will be for one year from the date of affiliation.

b) Active member

- (i) Has been a provisional member of this Society in the preceding year
- (ii) Has paid four half dues including the period of provisional membership
- (iii) Consists of fifteen individual members or more, and
- (iv) Functioning regularly from the day of provisional membership and has paid dues fully.

c) Associate Member

Business houses, institutions who have faith in this movement but are unable to participate actively, at the same time is interested to contribute periodically to this Society, may be admitted as Associate member by the SCI Governing body subject to payment of dues Rs.10,000/- for admission and Rs.1,000/- every year, or such other sums as may be decided by the SCI Governing Board from time to time before the due date. They are eligible to send 2 delegates for any of the Senior Chamber International Training Program or any Program of Senior Chamber paying the normal Registration fees fixed for the event, but will not have voting right

d) Honorary Member

Any active Legion can confer Honorary Membership for not more than two individuals in a year, who belong to the category of people having professional accomplishment, philanthropist or such other eminent personalities with commendable contribution to the society. Such honorary member may continue as Honorary Member, if the Legion approves every year, subject to the condition that maximum number of honorary members a legion can hold on roll every year is two. An annual fee of Rs1,000/- or such other sums as may be fixed by SCI General Body from time to time, shall be paid to Secretariat by the legion every year for each proposal as Honorary Member and are not having any voting right. Senior Chamber International Governing Body can also confer Honorary membership to any individual having professional accomplishment, renowned writer, artist, philanthropist or other eminent personalities with commendable contribution to the society or any past JCI President, JCI Vice President, JCI National President above and are not having any voting right.

3. Fees and dues

- (i) Members shall pay the dues as fixed by the General Assembly from time to time by the prescribed mode under the policy manual. The two equal installments of the first half and second half shall be paid before 31st May and 30th November respectively every year.
- (ii) Any Legion failing to pay its two half yearly dues within the above stipulated time may pay their dues with a late, fee of 10% of the total amount on or before 30th June or 31st December and on such payment being made it should be deemed to have paid its dues within the stipulated time.
- (iii) There is no subscription or fee for Senioresses.

4. Termination of membership

Membership to this Society shall automatically stand terminated if a member voluntarily resign.

5. Suspension of membership and services

- a) Services to a legion are liable to be suspended for nonpayment of dues for two consecutive installments.
- b) The services will automatically be restored upon the legion's payment of all its outstanding dues.
- c) Such services may also be suspended if the SCI Executive feels that the activities of the member are detrimental to the objects of the Society.
- d) A legion may be suspended pending an enquiry into acts of misconduct or pending disciplinary action against it for any act done by the legion or its individual member or members in contravention of this constitution.
- e) For all matters of suspension, revocation and restoration of membership and services, the decision of SCI Executive shall be final and binding.

6. Disaffiliation

- a) Membership of the Society shall be disaffiliated if any member fails to pay subscription for four consecutive installments.
- b) Every legion shall be required to maintain a minimum membership of fifteen members failing which the legion shall be disaffiliated.
- c) If the activities of the member are considered detrimental to the Society the membership shall be liable to be disaffiliated.

7. Transfer

Any individual member of any legion desirous of transferring his or her membership to any other legions in India/outside India can do so after obtaining a clearance certificate from the legion he or she originally belonged and subject to the approval of SCI Governing Board upon the application from such member along with Rs 500/-or such other sums as may be decided by SCI Governing Board from time to time as transfer fee in favour of Senior Chamber International.

ARTICLE XIII – REGIONAL CONCOURSE

1. Regional Concourse meeting

- a) Meeting of all authorized representative of all active legions of the particular Region of SCI
- b) The Regional Concourses shall be held before 31st January every year
- c) The SCI Secretary General shall issue a notice of the Regional Concourse to the Legions 30 days prior to the date of such Regional Concourse
- d) The venue for the Regional Concourse shall be determined by the Region Chairman.
- e) In the event the Region Chairman fails to provide a venue for the ensuing Regional Concourse, the SCI Executive Committee shall endeavor to fix a venue under such terms as may be decided by the SCI Executive Committee.

2. Quorum

30% of the total voting strength of region

3. Business at the Regional Concourse

- a) To receive the report of Region Chairman
- b) Election to the Region Chairman as per article XIV

4. Voting

- a) For the Regional Concourse, members shall have voting depending on the individual membership of each legion in the manner described below. For this purpose, the membership of any Legion shall be the average of both installments paid on or before the due date. Active members having membership strength of fifteen will have three votes and every additional five members one vote each.
- b) In unforeseen circumstances such as pandemic situation the Regional Concourse can be held on secured online platforms. The voting shall be also done on line in fail-safe secured atmosphere.

5. Voting Rights

- a) Only the President of the legion or Alternate Chief Delegate shall be entitled to vote on behalf of the Legion at the SCI Regional Concourse. The Alternate Chief Delegate shall be an Active Senior Chamber Member belonging to the same Legion and his name has been duly certified and signed by President/ Secretary along with photo attested by President/ Secretary in a prescribed format and is presented to the Chairman of the Concourse provided not withstanding anything contained anywhere else in this constitution. The President/ Alternate Chief Delegate shall get voting right only if he/she has registered as a Chief Delegate / Alternate Chief Delegate at the Regional Concourse and has paid the concourse registration.
- b) The Secretary General shall ten days prior to the Regional Concourse circulate the list of legion eligible to vote together with their voting entitlements. Any dispute arising out of the voting entitlements shall be decided by the SCI Executive strictly within the provisions of the Constitution and Policy Manual and its decision shall be final.
- c) In the event of mail ballot, the Secretary General shall circulate a list of legions entitled to vote together with their voting entitlements as on the date of issue of mail ballot.

ARTICLE XIV REGION CHAIRMAN ELECTION:

1. At every SCI Regional Concourse voting member present shall elect the Region Chairman.

(The voting strength for the above purpose will be determined by Article XIII – 4 a)

2. Qualification of candidates

- a) The candidate for the post of SCI Region Chairman shall be an active member having two years standing as a Senior member of an active legion having voting rights at least for past two years, excluding current year (minimum eight half dues should have been paid by the Legion) He / She should have served as a Legion President for one full term. Region Chairman will be elected during SCI Regional Concourse and will be restricted to that region. That region members only can contest for the same.
- b) Full term means the period of minimum of nine months. The period is calculated from the date of installation and up to 31st March of that year of Presidentship.

3. Nomination

a) Deadline

All nominations must be made in the prescribed format as available in Legion manual and forward the same to the Secretary General through Speed post / courier so as to reach him twenty days prior to the Regional Concourse meeting. If the last date fall on a Sunday or Holiday the next working day will be considered as the deadline. The Secretary General within fifteen days prior to the Regional Concourse shall circulate the list of nominations to all legions through Post/E-mail/ official What's app group.

b) Extension of deadline

In case, no Nomination is received for Region Chairman post, the post will be kept open and nominations can be made on the floor of the house. In such cases those nominations which had been received within the deadline will be declared elected provided the candidates fulfill other requirements of this constitution and the nomination is in order. The election, if it is necessary, will be held for the post among the candidates who file their nomination during the extended deadline. In case, no nomination is received in the floor, the SCI Executive Committee can co-opt a suitable candidate for the post.

c) Fees:

Nomination for the post of SCI Regional Chairman shall be accompanied with a non-refundable fee of Rs. 2000/- by the way of on-line transfer or through NEFT to Senior Chamber International account and the payment slip to be attached along with the nomination or such other sum as may be decided by the SCI Governing Board from time to time.

4. Returning officer

The SCI President shall appoint Immediate Past Region Chairman /Past or current SCI Executive Committee member as the Returning Officer and Nomination Committee Chairman for the conduct of elections as per article XIII & XIV. The Nomination Committee Chairman shall constitute the nomination committee comprising of any three members Past/Current SCI/National Executive Committee members and the Region Chairman will be the Ex. Officio member.

5. Executive Officer

The SCI President shall appoint any one of current or past SCI Executive Committee member as an Executive Officer for each Regional Concourses to oversee the smooth conduct of Election and the Concourse. The Executive Officer also a member of nomination committee and his decision will be final with regard to any dispute/confit. However, if any grievance, party can appeal to SCI Executive Committee.

6. Ballot

- a) Voting shall be by secret ballot.
- b) For any ballot for any elective office, the Legion representative shall cast votes.

ARTICLE XV

1. SCI REGIONAL COMMITTEE

a) The SCI Regional Committee shall be comprised of

- i) SCI Region Chairman
- ii) Immediate Past SCI Region Chairman
- iii) Region Co-Ordinators – Maximum Five
- iv) SCI Representative – Appointed/Nominated by SCI President

(The Region Co-Ordinator's shall be appointed by the Region Chairman from among the active members of the active Legions and has served one full term as President of the active Legions and shall have no voting rights.)

- b) No member of the Regional Committee elected/appointed/nominated shall hold an office at the legion level. However, the office of Immediate Past President shall not be considered an office at legion level for the purpose.
- c) The SCI Region Chairman shall assume office on the first day of April every year. They shall be in office till the installation of the newly elected SCI Region Chairman of the succeeding year or the end of the term whichever is later.
- d) All members of the SCI Regional Committee shall serve without remuneration. The Region Chairman may however be paid expenses towards administration, travel and daily allowances decided upon by the SCI Executive and within the framework of the Annual Budget approved by the General Assembly.
- e) If the post of the SCI Region Chairman falls vacant, the immediate past Region Chairman shall hold the office for the unexpired period of time, provided this period is less than six months, otherwise SCI Executive Committee can co-opt a suitable candidate for the post.
- f) The SCI Region Chairman shall chair a regional Committee Meetings once in four months and SCI Regional Concourse.

ARTICLE XVI - GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1. General Body Meeting

- a) Meeting of all authorized representatives of all active legions of Senior Chamber International.
- b) The annual General Meeting shall be held before 31st March every year.
- c) The Secretary General shall issue a notice of the SCI General Assembly to all Legions 30 days prior to the date of such SCI General Assembly.
- d) The venue for the SCI General Assembly for the following year shall be determined at SCI General Assembly.
- e) In the event the SCI General Assembly fails to provide a venue for the ensuing SCI General Assembly, the SCI Governing Board shall endeavor to fix a venue under such terms as may be decided by the SCI Governing Board.

2. Extra ordinary General Body meeting

An extra ordinary general meeting may be held physically or online.

- a) On requisition of 30% of active legions of the Society.
- b) By decision of 3/4th majority of the Society.
- c) For considering specific object or subjects.

3. Quorum

- a) 30% of the total voting strength comprises a quorum for all General body meetings.
- b) All decisions of the General Assembly shall be determined by simple majority vote unless provided for in this constitution.

4. Business at the General Assembly

- a) To receive the report of SCI President
- b) To consider the recommendations of the SCI Governing Board.
- c) To receive and adopt the Annual accounts of the Society for the previous year.
- d) To approve the budget for the coming year.
- e) To appoint the Auditors.
- f) To decide the venue of the next SCI General Assembly.

- g) To decide any amendments to the constitution.
- h) To take such policy decisions and issue directions to the SCI Executive and/or SCI Governing Board that may be found necessary from time to time.
- i) Election to the SCI Executive as per article XVII
- j) To decide on SCI Foundation Charitable & Educational Trust matters.

5. Voting

- a) For the SCI General Assembly, members shall have voting depending on the individual membership of each legion in the manner described below. For this purpose, the membership of any Legion shall be the average of both installments paid in time during the Senior Chamber year. Active members having membership strength of fifteen will have three votes and every additional five members one vote each.
- b) In unforeseen circumstances such as pandemic situation the SCI General Assembly can be held on secured online platforms. The proceedings shall be recorded and kept in storage for future reference if possible. The voting shall be also done on line in fail-safe secured atmosphere.

6. Mail Ballot / Postal Ballot

- a) On matters within the scope of SCI Executive Committee or SCI General Assembly e-mail ballot/Postal ballot among the members shall be valid, unless the matter is specifically directed by this Constitution to be done at Annual General Meeting, or SCI Executive Committee Meeting.
- b) In determining the voting of the active members for a mail ballot during the year, the member will be entitled to the votes to each they were entitled during the previous year's General Assembly subject to having paid their dues for the current year in time.
- c) A majority of two-third of the votes received is necessary for adoption of the proposal submitted by mail ballot. A minimum of 30% of the total votes must be received to validate the ballot.

7. Voting rights

- a) Only the president of the legion or Alternate Chief Delegate shall be entitled to vote on behalf of the Legion at the SCI General Assembly. The Alternate Chief Delegate shall be an Active Senior Chamber Member belonging to the same Legion and his name has been duly certified and signed by President/ Secretary along with photo attested by President/ Secretary in a prescribed format and is presented to the Chairman of the Concourse provided not withstanding anything

contained anywhere else in this constitution. The President/ Alternate Chief Delegate shall get voting right only if he/she has registered as a Chief Delegate / Alternate Chief Delegate at the SCI General Assembly and has paid the concourse registration.

- b) The Secretary General shall 15 days prior to the SCI General Assembly circulate the list of legion eligible to vote together with their voting entitlements. Any dispute arising out of the voting entitlements shall be decided by the SCI Executive strictly within the provisions of the Constitution and Policy Manual and its decision shall be final.
- c) In the event of mail ballot, the Secretary General shall circulate a list of legions entitled to vote together with their voting entitlements as on the date of issue of mail ballot.
- d) The current SCI President, Past SCI Presidents/Past National Presidents, who continue to be active members of active legions shall be entitled to one vote at the election to the office of the SCI President, provided further that they cast their votes themselves at the election held during SCI Concourse.

ARTICLE XVII – SCI ELECTIONS

1. At every SCI General Assembly voting member present shall elect the following members of the SCI Executive.
 - a) SCI President
 - b) Four SCI Vice-Presidents equal in rank.(The voting strength for the above purpose will be determined by Article XVI – 5-a)

2. Qualification of candidates

- a) The Candidate for the post of SCI Vice President shall be an active member and he/she should have served as Region Chairman for a full term.
- b) SCI Vice President Candidate should have obtained Minimum Standard of Performance certificate issued by the concerned SCI President for the year in which he/she served as SCI Region Chairman.
- c) For the year 2027-28 the candidate for the post of SCI Vice President shall be an active member having two years standing as a Senior member of an active legion having voting rights at least for past two years, excluding current year (minimum eight half dues should have been paid by the Legion). He /She should have served as a Legion President for one full term.
- d) A candidate for the Office of SCI President shall be an active member and should have served as a SCI Vice President/National Vice President for one term prior to seeking election. He/She should have also served the SCI/National

Governing Board at least once in any capacity not less than SCI/National coordinator prior to the year in which he/she seeks election.

- e) SCI President Candidate should have obtained Minimum Standard of Performance certificate issued by the concerned SCI/National President for the year in which he/she served as SCI/National Vice President and SCI/National Governing Board Member.
- f) Full term means the period of minimum of nine months. The period is calculated from the date of installation and up to 31st March of that year of Presidentship.

3. Nomination

a) Deadline

All nominations must be made in the prescribed format as available in legion manual and forward the same to the Secretary General through Speed post / courier so as to reach him twenty days prior to the Annual General meeting. If the last date fall on a Sunday or Holiday the next working day will be considered as the deadline. The Secretary General within 15 days prior to the General Assembly shall circulate the list of nominations to all legions through Post/E-mail/Official What's app group.

b) Extension of deadline

In case, however that insufficient nominations are received for any elective office the same will be kept open and such nominations can be made on the floor of the house. In such cases those nominations which had been received within the deadline will be declared elected provided the candidates fulfill other requirements of this Constitution and the nominations is in order. The election, if it is necessary, will be held for the remaining posts only among the candidates who file their nominations during the extended deadline.\

c) Fees:

Nominations for the post of SCI President / SCI Vice President shall be accompanied with a non-refundable fee of Rs.2000/- by the way of on line transfer or through NEFT to Senior Chamber International account and the payment slip to be attached along with the nomination or such other sum as may be decided by the SCI Governing Board.

4. Returning officer

The SCI Governing Board shall appoint the Immediate Past SCI/National President or in his absence any other Past SCI/National Presidents as the returning Officer and Nomination Committee Chairman for the conduct of elections as per article XVI & XVII. The Nomination Committee Chairman shall constitute the nomination committee comprising of any three Past SCI/ National Presidents and SCI President will be the Ex. Officio member.

5. Ballot

- a) Voting shall be by secret ballot.
- b) For any ballot for any elective office, the Legion representative shall cast votes for the total number of officers to be selected on the ballot otherwise, the ballot shall be invalid.

ARTICLE XVIII

1) SCI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE/ SCI GOVERNING BOARD

a) The SCI Executive Committee shall be comprised of

- (i)** SCI President
- (ii)** Immediate Past SCI President
- (iii)** Four SCI Vice Presidents
- (iv)** Secretary General
- (v)** SCI Treasurer
- (vi)** General Legal Counsel

(The Secretary General, National Treasurer and General Legal Counsel shall be appointed by the SCI President from among the active members of the active Legions and has served one full term as President of the active Legions and shall have voting rights.)

- b) No member of the SCI Executive elected or appointed shall hold an office at the legion level. However, the office of Immediate Past President shall not be considered an office at legion level for the purpose.
- c) The SCI Executive shall assume office on the first day of April every year. They shall be in office till the installation of the newly elected SCI Executive of the succeeding year or the end of the term whichever is later.
- d) All members of the SCI Executive shall serve without remuneration. They may however be paid expenses towards administration, travel and daily allowances decided upon by the SCI Executive and within the framework of the Annual Budget approved by the General Assembly.
- e) If the post of the SCI President falls vacant, the immediate past President shall hold the office for the unexpired period of time provided this period is less than six months, otherwise fresh election shall be called within 10 days from the date of vacancy. In case of such re- election, the Secretary General shall within 10 days from the date of vacancy, mail a notice thereof to all members of the General Assembly under speed post inviting nominations to be forwarded to the Secretariat under registered post with acknowledgement due within twenty-one days from the date of such notice and thereafter Secretary General shall within seven days dispatch ballot forms with the list of candidates for calling the mail ballot. Procedure for mail ballot under Article XIII (6) shall mutatis mutandis apply to mail ballot under the

sections. The mail ballot or postal ballot scrutiny and declarations of results shall be supervised by the Returning Officer appointed by the SCI Executive. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the other offices of the SCI Executive, the SCI Executive shall have power to fill such vacancies by co- option provided those co-opted fulfill the eligibility criteria prescribed for the said post.

f) The SCI Governing Board shall be comprised of

- (i)** SCI President
- (ii)** Immediate Past SCI President
- (iii)** Four SCI Vice Presidents
- (iv)** Secretary General
- (v)** SCI Treasurer
- (vi)** General Legal Counsel
- (vii)** Eight Region Chairpersons
- (viii)** Six SCI Directors
- (ix)** Six SCI Coordinators
- (x)** SCI Seniorette Coordinator

The SCI President shall chair all the SCI Executive Meeting, SCI Governing Board meetings, SCI Concourse and he/she shall be ex-officio member of all committees and sub-committees functioning under Senior Chamber International

The Secretary General, General Legal Counsel, SCI Treasurer, Six SCI Directors and Six SCI Coordinators shall be appointed by the SCI President from among the active members of an active Legion and has served one full term as President of the active legions. However, SCI Seniorette Coordinator need not have served as a president.

Only the SCI Executive Members, SCI Region Chairman and the SCI Directors will have a voting right in the SCI Governing Board. The SCI President can also appoint associate coordinators and can be invited for the SCI Governing Board, if necessary. These associate coordinators will not have any voting rights. However, the overall number of SCI Governing Board to be limited to fifty members including associate coordinators.

- g) No member of the SCI Governing Board shall hold an office at legion level. However, the office of Immediate Past President shall not be considered as an office at legion level for this purpose.
- h) The SCI Governing Board shall assume office on the first day of April every year. They shall be in the office till the installation of the newly elected National Governing Board of the succeeding year or the end of the term whichever is later.

- i) All members of the SCI Governing Board shall serve without remuneration. They may however be paid expenses towards administration, travel and daily allowances decided upon by the SCI Executive and within the framework of the annual budget approved by the SCI Governing Board.
- j) In the event of any vacancy arising in the SCI Governing Board, the SCI President with the consent of the SCI Executive can fill the vacancy by the co- option, provided those co-opted fulfill the eligibility criteria prescribed for the said post.

2. Meetings

- a) The SCI Executive and the SCI Governing Board shall endeavor to meet at least once in three months for the conduct of business. The Secretary General shall arrange the meetings in consultation with the SCI President.
- b) The SCI President shall preside over these meetings and in his absence, the Immediate Past SCI President or in his absence; any one of the SCI Vice President elected by the members present shall chair the meeting.
- c) There shall be at least five members present with voting rights to form quorum for SCI Executive and twelve members present with voting rights in the case of SCI Governing Board.
- d) All decisions shall be made on simple majority.
- e) Every member of the SCI Executive shall, if so, required by the SCI President observe strict secrecy in respect of all transactions of the Society.

ARTICLE XIX – FINANCE, ACCOUTS & AUDIT

- 1. The accounting year of the Society shall be financial year ending 31st March.
- 2. All funds and other assets of the Society shall be held in the name of Senior Chamber International. The funds shall be kept in account with nationalized bank or any scheduled commercial bank. The accounts shall be operated jointly by SCI President and SCI Treasurer.
- 3. The SCI Treasurer shall prepare the provisional accounts of the current year to the SCI General Assembly and the Secretary General shall circulate it to all legions and SCI Executive at least fifteen days prior to the General Assembly. SCI Treasurer shall maintain the accounts or Senior Chamber International.
- 4. Prior to the SCI General Assembly, the SCI Executive shall discuss the provisional accounts and approve before presenting in the SCI General Assembly.

5. The provisional accounts as approved in the pre-Concourse SCI Governing Board shall be presented by the SCI Treasurer and in the absence of SCI Treasurer any one SCI Governing Board member who is authorized by SCI President shall present the same in the General Assembly and to get it approved.
6. All accounting and statutory records shall be maintained at the SCI Secretariat under the supervision and control of the Secretary General.
7. The SCI President shall appoint an audit committee to conduct internal audit of accounts. Such Audit Committee shall have a chairman, a senior member preferably a Chartered Accountant or one who is well versed in audit procedures.
8. The previous year accounts of the Society shall be audited every year by Chartered accountants appointed at the Annual General Assembly. The immediate Past Secretary General / SCI Treasurer shall prepare the annual accounts in the form of Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure account for certification by auditors and the same shall be approved by the SCI Executive. The certified copies of the audited accounts shall be forwarded to all legions fifteen days prior to Annual General Assembly for adoption or such extended time as the General Assembly may decide by a majority of votes.
9. The accounts of the Society audited and as approved by the General Assembly shall be conclusive.
10. Within seven days of the receipt of dues, the Secretary General/SCI Treasurer shall issue necessary receipt mentioning the period for which dues are considered paid.
11. The Secretary General /SCI Treasurer shall maintain individual accounts for each legion at the SCI Secretariat.
12. The SCI President may appoint a finance committee under the chairmanship of SCI Treasurer.

ARTICLE XX – GENERAL

1. Business:

The business of the Senior Chamber International shall be conducted according to its constitution and where otherwise not provided it shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

2. Consulate

The consulate honour shall be awarded to such member of Senior Chamber, who has rendered consistent, altruistic, bounteous, contribution to the movement.

Criteria for consulate Honour

- a) Any legion of Senior Chamber International may propose the name of such member as described in article XX (2) for the consulate membership in a prescribed format as mentioned in the Legion Manuel.
- b) The SCI Governing Board may also propose any senior who qualifies as per the article XX (2) to be awarded the honour of consulate.
- c) The application received will be scrutinized by the Consulate Committee and recommend to SCI Board for approval.
- d) On approval the legion shall remit the amount as fixed from time to time.

3. Senior Chamber International Foundation Charitable & Educational Trust

Senior Chamber International Foundation Charitable & Educational Trust was formed to give a focus on the Organisational Motto 'Responsible and Active Citizenship' and to express our social commitment. The SCI Foundation through various foundation honors shall create the corps fund by the philanthropic donors of the organization and society. Such fund shall be utilised to give Professional Scholarships to needy students, Community Projects incentive to the legions & Charity/Community programs at the SCI level etc.,

4. Seniorette Wing:

Senior Chamber International Legions shall promote Seniorette Wing for the wife of active seniors to supplement the activities of legions.

5. Amendments

- a) The Constitution may be reviewed and necessary amendments be carried out once in two years. However, the SCI Governing Board can propose any amendments deemed to be fit in any year with 2/3rd majority voting at the General Assembly. However, if any time bounded changes, may the SCI Governing Board can approve and the same to be submitted with justification to the immediate General Assembly for the ratification.
- b) The provision of the policy manual may be reviewed or amended by the General Assembly by simple majority, every year. Any consequential amendments to the Policy manual due to amendment in Memorandum and Articles of association can be made by the SCI Governing Board, if omitted to as in the National General Assembly.

The Memorandum and Articles of Association of the constitution may be amended as mentioned above, provided written notice of such amendments is given 20 days prior to

convening SCI General Assembly to the Secretary General. The Secretary General shall give notice of proposed amendments fifteen days prior to the General Assembly to all Chief delegates of the General Assembly.

- c) Any active legion or SCI Executive Committee member can move an amendment to the Constitution & Policy Manual.
- d) Amendments to the Constitution and Policy Manual so adopted at the General Assembly shall be circulated to all members of the General Assembly within 45 days after assuming the office by the newly elected SCI Executive Committee.

6. Arbitration

- a) No member of a legion or official of the Society shall be entitled to go to a court of law or to commence any proceedings in connection with the activities of the Society without exhausting the remedies provided in this constitution and policy manual.
- b) All proceedings that may be initiated are only subject to the territorial jurisdiction of the Courts located at the place where the SCI Secretariat of the Society is situated.
- c) In all disputes between the members of the Society or between the members of the SCI Executive the deposes shall be referred to arbitration by an arbitrator or tribunal comprising of current SCI President and two active Past SCI Presidents of this Society to be appointed by the SCI Executive and the decision of such arbitrators or tribunal shall be final and binding on all parties in the dispute.
- d) All internal disputes of a legion and disputes between the legions, the SCI Executive shall have power to decide the dispute through compulsory arbitration and the decision of such arbitrator shall be final and binding on all members of the concerned legions.

7. Official language

The official language of the Society shall be English.

ARTICLE XXI – WAIVER

Any article of the Constitution may be waived at the General Assembly by 3/4th majority of the total voting strength.

ARTICLE XXII – DISSOLUTION

The Society shall be dissolved if 3/4th of all active members of the Society expresses a desire for such dissolution by being present in person at the General Assembly convened specifically for the purpose. If upon the dissolution of the Society, there shall remain after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities of any property whatever, the same shall not be paid it to or distributed among the members of the society or any of them, but shall be donated to any other organization which has the same or similar objectives as

of the Society or be vested in the government. Society shall be dissolved as per provision laid down under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860

(Updated with incorporating the amendments passed in the last General Assembly).

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SCI President



Secretary General



General Legal Counsel



Senior Chamber International

POLICY MANUAL

DIRECTIVE POLICIES

The objective of the society shall be as inspired by the Memorandum of Association of Theme and the Directive Policies stated herein particularly.

Aims & Objectives

1. Encouraging responsible and active citizenship among the general public.
2. Acting as a non-governmental organization in supporting development programs of the Government, Local Bodies, statutory boards etc.
3. Imparting in the General Public by necessary awareness and civic sense.
4. Furthering goodwill, understanding and co-operation amongst the citizens of India and the other countries.

Activities

1. Activities directed towards the promotion of National/International integration
2. Activities directed to promote development programs of the Government etc. as a catalyst.
3. Extending Senior Chamber movement to neighboring and far of Countries.
4. Development and promotion in those areas where Senior Chamber international is or get to have a foothold and to create a balanced growth of the movement in India and other countries.
5. Development of areas where creative, pioneering efforts are needed.
6. A common purpose and identity with the past Jaycees and other NGO's who have crossed 40 years of age in all walks of life and provide necessary leadership to harness their potential.
7. Joining hands with other Organizations like Lions, Rotary, and JCI in the program aimed at fulfilling their aims, objectives and policies.

8. An organization and platform to involve our members in all aspects of Nations march to achieve equality of opportunity, democratic rule of law with peace and harmony amongst the people of our country and other countries.

9. Establishment of an efficient Secretariat to give sustenance to all our endeavors.

Vision: “To be the leading network of Responsible and active citizens above 40 years of age from JCI and other NGO’s for creating a better world”

Mission: “To promote and provide opportunities that give passion to responsible and active citizenship”

ARTICLE I – INTERPRETATIONS

I-1 Name of Legion: A Legion (member) of this society may adopt any name which shall start with the name of the city, town, or place where it is located.

I-2 Directive Policy: Means the policies specifying aims, objectives and the activities of the society.

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

II-1 PROVISIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Eligibility

Those eligible to be admitted and retain membership of the society shall:

- a) Fulfill the society’s constitutional requirement for membership.
- b) Have provision to admit to membership any person above 40 years of age from JCI and other NG’s
- c) Be duly constitutional with democratically elected office bearer

Procedure for Application

- a) A provisional member shall be sponsored by an active Legion of good standing of this society, as per the evaluation of the SCI Governing Board. A member of the SCI Executive Committee can also sponsor a provisional member in consultation with the existing Legion.
- b) Application for provisional membership shall be forwarded to the SCI Secretariat in the prescribed form along with an affiliation on fee of Rs. 5,000/-by NEFTor any other mode of electronic transfer in favor of Senior Chamber International.
- c) The application should be accompanied by the following:
 - (i) One copy of the Legion constitution based on the model Legion constitution

prepared by Senior Chamber International inserting the name of the Legion and dues

- (ii) Resolution for the formation of Legion with list of Charter members with signature.
- (iii) Name and address of the office bearers along with application and membership fee as prescribed under Article XII-2a of the constitution.
- (iv) Affiliation may be granted by SCI Executive Committee and its decision shall be final.

II-2 ACTIVE MEMBER

A. Qualification

- (i) Has been a provisional member of this society in the previous year.
- (ii) Has paid four halves dues including provisional membership before the end of due date of payment of second half of the current year.
- (iii) Consist of fifteen individual members or more, and
- (iv) Is functioning regularly from the day of provisional membership and has paid dues fully.

B. Procedure for admission

- (i) Should have applied in the prescribed form.
- (ii) Should submit a copy of Legion's constitution which is in concurrence with the model legion constitution prepared by the Senior Chamber International.
- (iii) The SCI Executive Committee may grant active membership and the decision of SCI Executive Committee shall be final.

II-3 PAYMENT OF SENIOR CHAMBER INTERNATIONAL DUES

- a) Every Legion affiliated to the society shall pay its dues at the rate of Rs. 800/- plus taxes as applicable per year by the way of NEFT or any mode of electronic transfer in favor of Senior Chamber International, per individual member of the Legion in two half yearly installments for the membership strength of each half beginning 1st April and 1st October.
- b) The payment should be accompanied by a list of individual members with address on whose behalf the dues are paid.
- c) If any Legion is provisionally affiliated to this society during the year, the legion shall pay the

proportionate dues according to the half-year remaining from the date of affiliation. Part of the half year shall be treated a half year.

- d) The annual dues of associate members shall be paid on or before 30th April every year.

II-4 SUSPENSION OF SERVICE

- a) Service to a Legion is liable to be suspended if the dues are not paid in two consecutive installments.
- b) Service to a legion may also be suspended if in the opinion of the SCI Executive if the activities of the Legion are detrimental to the objects of the society.
- c) In all matters of suspension and restoration of the services, the decision of the SCI Executive shall be final.

II-5 PROCEDURE FOR DISQUALIFICATION

- a) A legion proposed to be disqualified shall be served with a notice in writing of not less than 30 days seeking for its explanations
- b) The SCI Executive shall consider the explanation and disqualify the Legion by 3/4th majorities, in case of such explanation being not satisfactory.

II-6 RIGHT OF APPEAL

- a) A legion so disqualified has the right to appeal to the SCI General Body.
- b) The appeal should reach to the Secretary General 30 days prior to the SCI Concourse.
- c) The General Assembly shall either by itself or by any committee appointed by it hears the Legion. The General Assembly shall thereafter consider the appeal and may reinstate the legion by 3/4 majorities if satisfied.

ARTICLE III – VOTING

III-1. The President or Alternate Chief Delegate nominated by the President will be entitled to vote on behalf of the Legion provided further that he/she has registered as a delegate at the conference. If the President is physically present in the Concourse venue, then he cannot appoint any Alternate Chief Delegate. Voting strength will be determined as per Article XIII (5)

III-2. For all matters pertaining to voting, the same shall be determined by the Nomination Committee.

III-3. The Secretary General shall 15 days prior to the convention/conference distribute the list of Legion eligible to vote, together with voting entitlements. Any dispute pertaining to these shall be determined by the nomination committee.

III-4. In the event of mail ballot the SCI Executive shall supply a list of legion entitled to vote with this voting entitlements as on the date of such issue of mail ballot or postal ballot.

ARTICLE IV - SCI REGIONAL CONCOURSE

Qualification

A. Host Legion

- i) Minimum 2 years of good standing
- ii) Minimum membership of 20
- iii) Has passed a resolution at their General Body to this effect

B. Host Site

The Region Chairman/SCI Executive Committee shall be satisfied to the facilities being sufficient with adequate infrastructure.

C. Procedure to bid convention

The SCI Executive shall formulate rates during the early years and those could be incorporated in this policy manual when the SCI General Body deems it necessary.

ARTICLE V – SCI CONCOURSE

Qualification

A. Host Legion

- (i) Minimum 3 years of good standing
- (ii) Minimum membership of 20
- (iii) Has passed a resolution at their General Body to this effect

B. Host Site

The SCI Executive shall be satisfied to the facilities being sufficient with adequate infrastructure.

C. Procedure to bid convention

The SCI Executive shall formulate rates during the early years and those could be incorporated in this policy manual when the SCI General Body deems it necessary.

ARTICLE VI – ELECTION

VI-1. Promotional materials

- a) In respect of each candidate there may be only one printed or mimeographed piece of promotional material or brochure
- b) A personal or official letter of an individual nature, handwritten, typed, dot- matrix printed through social or digital media in original or SMS or email alone and addressed to an individual and signed and directed by or on behalf of a candidate will not be considered a piece of promotional material
- c) Legions promoting more than one candidate may produce one piece of material in respect of each candidate.
- d) Any section considered by the Nomination Committee to be in contravention of any of the above clauses (a), (b) or (c) shall invalidate the candidate's nomination.

VI - 2. Proof of age

- a) Candidate if so, required shall furnish proof of age such as birth certificate, SSLC, Passport, Aadhar Card to the nomination committee.

VI - 3. Nomination Committee

- a) The nomination committee shall meet during the SCI Regional Concourse/ SCI Concourse to assess the eligibility of the candidates and present its report to the SCI Regional Concourse /SCI General Assembly.
- b) The Nomination Committee may test the candidate's knowledge of the constitution and policy manual or such other directives of Senior Chamber, duties and responsibilities of the position for which they have been nominated and also his credentials to prove his minimum standard of performance as SCI Vice President, in the case he/she is contesting for SCI President.

- c) The modalities and mechanics of the election shall be determined by the Nomination Committee.
- d) The Nomination Committee shall clear the candidatures only after obtaining No Due certificate from the SCI Secretariat.
- e) Nomination Committee for Regional Concourse is headed by the Nomination Committee Chairman. The Nomination Committee Chairman shall be the Immediate Past SCI Region Chairman/Nominated by the SCI President and the Chairman shall constitute a nomination committee with three active past/current SCI Executive Members or from the Past SCI Region Chairmen of the immediate past five years, the Executive Officer nominated and the current SCI Region Chairman shall be the ex officio member.
- f) Nomination Committee for SCI Concourse is headed by the Nomination Committee Chairman and the Nomination Committee Chairman shall be the Immediate Past SCI President. The Chairman shall constitute a Nomination Committee with three Active Past SCI Presidents from the Past SCI Presidents of the immediate past five years and SCI President shall be the ex officio member. In the absence or inconvenience of the Immediate Past SCI President to attend the Concourse or not in a position to take up the post as Nomination Chairman, SCI President shall appoint a Nomination Committee Chairman from the Past SCI Presidents of immediate past five years.
- g) Nomination Committee shall make the nomination of the candidates proposed by any Legion invalid, if the Legion is not an Active Legion or the Legion has filed nomination of more than one active member for any single post for which election is called for.

VI - 4. Deadline for withdrawal

The deadline for withdrawal of the nomination for Regional Chairman shall be three hours and SCI President / SCI Vice Presidents shall be twelve hours before the time fixed for balloting.

VI - 5. Balloting Procedure

- a) If the number of candidates exceeds by more than one for the number of posts for which the elections shall be held by the way of secret ballots.
- b) In case of a tie, the election shall be decided by lots.

ARTICLE VII – OATH OF OFFICE

No officer of the Senior Chamber International shall assume office without taking the following oath of office:

“I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of (the name of the post) of Senior Chamber International and will to the best of my ability serve as a living example of this organization’s philosophy and belief and will uphold and enforce the constitution and policy of this organization at all times.”

Oath of Secrecy:

“I do solemnly swear that I will not directly or indirectly communicate or reveal to any person(s) any matter that are detrimental to the interest of our organization and which is brought under my consideration or becomes known to me as a SCI Region Chairman/ SCI Governing Board member, except as may be required for the due discharge of my duties as such officer.”

ARTICLE VIII - POWERS, DUTIES, STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE

VIII – 1 Powers, Duties, Functions of the SCI Executive Officers

1. SCI President

He /She shall

- a. Act as number one public relation person of the Senior Chamber International
- b. Represent Senior Chamber International in all other bodies
- c. Ensure adherence to all Senior Chamber International Policies, aims, objectives and uphold the constitution of Senior Chamber International.
- d. Report to SCI Concourse on action taken on the directives of the constitution and bylaws and concourse resolution.
- e. Preside over all meetings of the SCI Executive, SCI Governing Board and SCI General Assembly.
- f. Sign, endorse or otherwise negotiate documents and cheques with at least one of the executive officer preferable the Secretary General and act on behalf of the Senior Chamber International.
- g. Represent in any higher (world, Asian etc.) bodies as chief delegate, failing which he shall appoint a chief delegate in consultation with the SCI Executive
- h. Visit Legions as per the decision of SCI Executive

- i. Appoint select committee for specific purpose and report to Senior Chamber International
- j. Assign such duties and responsibilities to each of the Region Chairman/Board, SCI Vice President and other members of SCI Executive and SCI Governing Board.

2. SCI Vice Presidents

They shall

- a. Be in charge of two to four Regions assigned to him. He shall visit the assigned Regions/Legions at least twice within the year.
- b. Preside over the Inter regional meetings of the regions and conduct the proceeding.
- c. Supervise the working of all the officers in their respective assignments and implement the directives of constitution, SCI Concourse, SCI Executive in respect of their assignments.
- d. Submit a summarized report on all the activities in their respective assignments and also evaluate the standards of performance of the working of all the assigned offices of each meeting of the SCI Executive.
- e. Travel on behalf of Senior Chamber International as per the decision of the SCI President

3. Secretary General

He /She shall

- a) Be the chief administrative head of the organization and shall work under the supervision and control of the President. He/ She shall be the custodian of all documents and records.
- b) Report upon the activities of the SCI Secretariat to the Executive, SCI Governing Board and SCI Concourse.
- c) Assist the SCI Treasurer to present audited statements of accounts of the preceding year to the SCI concourse.
- d) Assist the SCI Treasurer to present and internally audited account of the current year to the SCI Executive meetings.
- e) Assist the SCI Treasurer to collect and record the dues of the society and issue receipts.
- f) Assist the SCI Treasurer to present statement of provisional accounts of the current year and circulate to the Legions 15 days prior to the SCI Concourse.
- g) Print and publish literatures on behalf of the Senior Chamber International.

- h) Ensure regular publication of journals.
- i) Furnish details of various events and programs of Senior Chamber International well in time.
- j) Furnish the dues and voting strength to all legions.

4. SCI Treasurer

He /She shall be in charge of the finance of Senior Chamber International and shall be responsible for the preparation of the annual budget to be submitted to the SCI Concourse and Budgetary control. He /She shall also be responsible for proper maintenance of the accounts of the Society.

5. General Legal Counsel

He /She shall assist the SCI President and the SCI Executive in all legal matters pertaining to the affairs of this society and shall be also provide the necessary guidance and information of the constitution of the Senior Chamber International to the SCI Executive /Governing Board and Legions wherever a reference is made to him for the said purpose.

6. Region Chairman

Region Chairman shall be in charge of 20 to 30 Legions allotted to him. He/She shall chair the SCI Regional Meetings and Regional Concourse in his/her area, attend installations, follow up dues, oversee activities legions and report regularly to SCI President/ SCI Vice President and SCI Governing Board.

Region Chairman may appoint two to Five Region Co-ordinators with the approval of SCI President.

VIII – 2 MINIMUM STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE

1. SCI President

No minimum standards shall be binding on the office of the SCI President. However, he shall conduct the affairs of Senior Chamber International to the best of his ability on the lines laid down in the constitution and in the highest interest of the Senior Chamber International movement.

2. Other Offices of the SCI Executive & Region Chairman

- a. Take effective action on the assignments within thirty days of assuming office.
- b. Report every forty-five days to the superior officer.

- c. Take effective steps to implement decisions of the SCI Concourse and implement policies laid down in the constitution and report to SCI President / Executive and the SCI Concourse.
- d. To carry out directions given by the SCI Executive and the SCI Concourse from time to time in accordance with the procedure laid down in Policy Manual.

3. Failure to meet the minimum standards

In the event of failure to perform any of the above minimum standards of performance, the SCI Executive has been empowered to take action as laid down in the constitution. Further the SCI Executive may decide to withhold travelling and other allowances of an official who fails to comply with the standards. In all such matters the decision of the SCI Executive shall be final and binding.

4. Failure to attend meeting

A member of the SCI Executive & Region Chairman who fails to attend the meeting of the SCI Executive/SCI Board or SCI Concourse without proper explanation of the absence acceptable to be SCI Executive be deemed to have resigned from SCI Executive/Region Chairman.

VIII - 3 POWERS/DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF SCI EXECUTIVE

- a) The SCI Executive shall execute and implement the policies as laid down herein.
- b) The SCI Executive shall meet at least four times a year, once immediately after the election at the Concourse, the second and third during the year of office and the fourth one just prior to the concourse.
- c) The SCI Executive shall supervise and review the performance of any co- opted members, special appointees and legions and the Secretariat.
- d) The SCI Executive shall decide on all matters concerning the relation with any superior body like sending delegates, attending or bidding for area of SCI Concourse.
- e) The SCI Executive shall strictly adhere to the policies of Senior Chamber International as laid down herein and shall recommend justifiable amendments for acceptance of the SCI Concourse.
- f) The SCI Executive shall follow the forms, procedures, rules systems and other provisions contained in the Policy Manual.
- g) The SCI President in consultation with SCI Executive may appoint active individual seniors of any Legion and delegate such of the responsibilities that might become necessary for carrying out any specific jobs during the year.

- h) The SCI Executive is empowered to remove any appointee appointed by the SCI President under constitution for sufficient cause. However, the concerned individual shall be given a chance to explain the position.
- i) The SCI Executive is empowered to frame and amend Policy Manual with the concurrence of the General Assembly.
- j) The SCI President shall nominate and appoint a SCI Coordinator of the Seniorette wing every year. The Chairperson so appointed shall co-ordinate the activities of the Senioresses at Legion levels.

VIII - 4 POWERS/DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF SCI REGION CHAIRMAN

- a) The SCI Region Chairman shall execute and implement the policies as laid down by SCI Governing Board/SCI Concourse.
- b) The SCI Region Chairman shall supervise and review the performance of any co- opted members, special appointees and legions allotted and report to SCI President/SCI Governing Board.
- c) The SCI Region Chairman shall decide on all matters concerning the relation with any superior body like sending delegates, attending or bidding for area of SCI Regional Concourse.
- d) The SCI Region Chairman shall strictly adhere to the policies of Senior Chamber International as laid down herein and shall recommend justifiable amendments for acceptance of the SCI Governing Board/ Concourse.
- e) The SCI Region Chairman shall follow the forms, procedures, rules systems and other provisions contained in the Policy Manual.
- f) The SCI Region Chairman, in consultation SCI President may appoint active individual seniors of any Legion and delegate such of the responsibilities that might become necessary for carrying out any specific jobs during the year.

ARTICLE IX – GENERAL

IX – 1 Transfer of records

- a) It shall be the duty of every officer to transfer specific records as laid down in the hand book from time to time to their successor or to the Secretary General at the time of laying down their office.

- b) It shall be responsibility of the immediate superior officer to see that every officer under him transfer the records as required
- c) The officer failing to transfer the records as required will not be eligible for allowances provided in the constitution.

IX – 2 Allowance of travel

- a) Every SCI Region Chairman/SCI Executive/ Governing Board officer travelling on behalf of the Senior Chamber International may be reimbursed as approved by the SCI Executive return AC Bus/Train AC Second Class fare for every official visit.
- b) The SCI Executive may in special circumstances sanction such travelling allowances as may be necessary.
- c) Subject to availability of funds the executive officers are eligible to get reimbursement of air fare as approved by the SCI Executive.
- d) An incentive of Rs 2000/- shall be given to Legions /SCI Executive members for sponsoring a New Legion.

IX-3 Travel limitation

No officer of SCI other than the SCI President shall travel after 31st January and draw travelling allowance unless specifically allowed by the SCI President.

IX – 4 Insurance

- a) All properties, assets of the Senior Chamber International at the Secretariat shall be covered by necessary insurance.
- b) Every officer of the Senior Chamber International shall be provided with insurance to cover accident in pursuance of Senior Chamber activities.
- c) The amount and extent of the insurance shall be decided by the SCI Executive.
- d) Any claim paid to SCI upon any insurance shall not be retained by the SCI but shall be disbursed towards the benefit of the officer or in such a manner as the SCI Executive may determine.

IX – 5 Permanent records

The Secretariat shall maintain permanent records of the activities of SCI at least of the minimum specified item of records required to be kept for any past year as shall be provided in the handbook. Only the records so required shall be maintained for any given year and other records other than finance books for any year at least five years prior to the current year shall be destroyed. All election record should be treated as permanent record.

IX – 6 Associate Member

- a) The Secretary General in consultation with the SCI Executive shall promote membership in this category.
- b) The Secretariat shall provide continues service to those members in the form of publications and such other journals that reflects the activities of Senior Chamber International.

IX – 7 Seniorette wing

- a) There shall be a Seniorette wing at legion level comprising of the spouses of the legion member
- b) The Seniorette wing shall form among themselves elect the following committee every year.
 - i) Chairperson (one), ii) Secretary (one), iii) Committee Members (three)

IX – 8 Past Presidents Forum

There shall be Past SCI President’s forum comprising of all Past SCI Presidents of SCI as an advisory body to the SCI President. The Past SCI President Forum may formulate the rules and regulation for the conduct of the business of their Forum.

ARTICLE X – LEGION MANUAL

There shall be a Legion manual incorporating model Legion constitution, criteria and guidelines for extensions, awards, and other programs, forms and formats prescribed and like. Legions have to follow this manual.

ARTICLE XI - PROTOCOL

There shall be a protocol manual for the use of Legions and SCI Officers. Seniors shall follow this manual diligently.

ARTICLE XII – CONCOURSE MANUAL

There shall be a concourse manual. The concourse shall be conducted in accordance with the concourse manual as amended from time to time.

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