

General Convention to Meet

NOTICE OF THE 30TH GENERAL CONVENTION

In conformity with Section 24 of the General Constitution, the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades will meet in General Convention at Bally's Resort and Casino, Las Vegas, NV, August 24 - August 28, 2009.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DELEGATES

Section 28

Elections for Delegates must be held during the month of May 2009, nominations to be held one meeting prior to election. NOTE: Section 28 and not Section 180 governs the election of Delegates to the General Convention.

Adequate notice of the nomination and election meetings shall be given the membership as per Section 28(a). Notification of the nomination and election meetings may be set forth in the same mailing. Notification must clearly state the time, place and purpose of these two meetings.

IT IS OF EXTREME IMPORTANCE THAT
ALL DELEGATES BE ELECTED BY SECRET BALLOT.

REPRESENTATION

Section 26

A Local Union, to be entitled to representation, must have been chartered for at least six months prior to the holding of the General Convention, and must have paid its per capita tax to the office of the General Secretary-Treasurer up to and including the second month preceding the Convention month.

This means that each Local Union must have per capita tax paid up to and including the month of June 2009. All payments must be received by the General Secretary-Treasurer's office no later than the last business day of the month preceding the Convention month, or July 31, 2009. No Delegate will be seated at the Convention or receive a mileage check whose Local Union is delinquent in per capita tax in accordance with above mentioned rule.

Section 30

Two or more Local Unions may combine to send one Delegate to represent them. He/she must be a member of

one of the Local Unions and present a credential from each Local. Each Delegate will be entitled to one vote. No proxy representation shall be allowed.

Section 27(a)

Local Unions shall be entitled to representation in the General Convention according to the number of members on whom per capita tax shall have been paid, except as provided in Section 28(e).

100 Members or Less1 Delegate

More than 100 Members, and
Less than 500 Members2 Delegates

500 Members or More,
and Less than 1,000 Members3 Delegates

1,000 Members4 Delegates

And an Additional Delegate for each 500 Members or
Major Fraction over 1,000.

ELIGIBILITY OF DELEGATES

Section 28(b) and (c)

To be eligible as a Delegate or an Alternate a member must be eligible under the requirements of Section 28. Refer to the General Constitution for further explanation.

Section 28(d)

Apprentices and Life Members are not eligible as Delegates.

Section 29

Alternates to represent the Local Union in case of inability of the regular elected Delegate, or Delegates, to attend the session, shall be the member, or members, who receive the next highest number of votes at the election of Delegates. Alternates must have the same qualifications as Delegates.

CREDENTIALS

Section 31

The credentials, in duplicate, are enclosed. They must be filled out by the Recording Secretary, bear the name of the

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Delegate, be signed by the President and the Recording Secretary, and bear the seal of the Local Union.

The ORIGINAL (gold) credential is to be given to the Delegate for presentation to the Credentials Committee in Las Vegas, NV. The DUPLICATE (black) credential must be forwarded to the office of the General Secretary-Treasurer immediately after the election has taken place. Also, the stubs attached to both the original and the duplicate credentials must be filled out completely.

MILEAGE AND EXPENSES

Section 33

Mileage, cost of hotel room, and per diem will be paid in accordance with Section 33 of the General Constitution.

Section 30(c)

All other expenses of the Delegates are to be defrayed by the Local Unions they represent.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS/RATES

All information pertaining to hotel reservations and rates will be addressed in a letter forwarded to the Delegates upon return of the duplicate credentials to the General Secretary-Treasurer's office. This same information will be published in a later issue of the "Painters and Allied Trades Journal."

AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL CONSTITUTION

Section 80

The General Constitution, and the Local Union rules contained therein, may be amended or altered at the regular session of the General Convention by a majority vote of the Delegates present. Laws so adopted will become effective on January 1st following, unless otherwise designated. Local Unions that wish to submit proposed amendments must follow the procedure set forth in Section 80. All such amendments are to be presented, in writing, to the General Secretary-Treasurer postmarked at least 45 days before the convening of the Convention, July 10, 2009, bear the seal and signature of the proper officers of the Local Union presenting them and be published in the Official Journal of the month preceding the General Convention, provided, however, that the General

Executive Board may present amendments for adoption by the General Convention at any time when the General Convention is in session. Only Local Unions can submit amendments. District Councils, Conferences, or individual Members of the Union cannot submit them.

RESOLUTIONS


Section 36

All resolutions dealing with general subjects, such as organization, building trades, health measures, shorter work day, or legislative enactment, are to be forwarded to the office of the General Secretary-Treasurer, bearing the signature of the proper officers, and under the seal of the Local Union submitting same, postmarked at least 45 days before the convening of the General Convention. That means submissions to the office of the General Secretary-Treasurer must be postmarked no later than July 10, 2009. Any resolutions considered after that time must receive the consent of the Convention, except resolutions submitted by the General Executive Board. Local Unions that wish to submit proposed resolutions must follow the procedures set forth in Section 36.

APPEALS

Sections 301-302

Appeals to the General Convention are governed by Sections 301-302 of the General Constitution.



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