



A special meeting of the TSRT board of directors was called to develop a plan to bring the TSRT Districts into compliance with the IRS through the ASRT umbrella. The board noted the TSRT Districts are not defined in the TSRT Bylaws. The board of directors voted that the districts would be in non-compliance through the end of 2010 and be in compliance 2011. This will give everyone enough time to do what has to be done to be in compliance.

Why not keep all six districts? The board of directors is mandated by ASRT to make sure each of the district are in compliance. The board felt trying to oversee six districts would be much more difficult than making sure three districts are in compliance.

What does this mean for the current districts? The key disadvantage to being in non-compliance with the ASRT and the IRS is that the districts can not get ECE approval from the ASRT for free. All requests for ECE approval at the district level will have to go through the TSRT board of directors and the event would have to be listed as an official TSRT activity at a district level.

Next, the board of directors established three districts within TSRT. District 1 would be the West District, District 2 will be the Middle District and District 3 will be the East District.

How will this affect the rotation of meetings around the state and the election of officers? The board noted that the current method of rotating the annual meetings of TSRT or the way we elect the president-elect is not mandated in the bylaws. This process has been followed through tradition. There is no reason this type of tradition can not be continued. As long as the districts have less than \$25,000 in their treasury, there will be a very easy short form to complete every year to send to the IRS.

What about the rotation of meeting locations? The current rotation could continue very close to the way we have done it in the past. There are two meeting in District 1 that can take turns with the rotation. District 2 does not change, but this rotation could have Nashville conducting the meeting twice as often as before. Clarksville was recognized as being large enough to host the annual meeting. The city of Clarksville will be added to the rotation list.

The board made the decision to maintain the current rotation through 2012(Knoxville-2010, Jackson-2011 and Johnson City-2012). Beginning in 2013 the annual meeting will rotate District 1 (2013), District 2 (2014) and then District 3 (2015). The key cities can continue to host the annual meeting as we have done in the past.

What happens to our current district structure? Each District will have, at a minimum, a President and treasurer. Each District must have Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws which meet ASRT requirements. Officers must be members of the ASRT and TSRT. Each District must be incorporated by the state. Each district must have an annual meeting. The board felt this could be accomplished during the TSRT annual meeting.

The board created a compliance officer. The board created a board position called the Compliance Officer which will oversee the District compliance with IRS laws and ASRT policy. This position will go to the past president with 3 years remaining on the board of directors. The first Compliance Officer is Bill May. When he rotates off of the board the retiring Chairman of the board will become the next Compliance officer for a term of 3 years.

Summary:

- Each of the 3 districts must determine who will be the officers of that district. We will need reliable people who will be responsible for everything that has to be filed each year. The first year will be the hardest, but this should be a fairly simple process in following years.
 - These people need to be identified by October
- Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws must be obtained from ASRT. All members have access to this information. A draft for each district must be in place for adoption by each respective district at the TSRT annual meeting.
- An application has to be submitted to the Secretary General's office so each of the 3 districts will be incorporated.
- All of this documentation will be forwarded to the ASRT.
- In January, 2011, the appropriate forms are then filed by each district with the IRS.