



Ibadan Elite

CONSTITUTION

Preamble to the Constitution

Members of JCI Ibadan, determined to create further **impact** in the community, reviewed the growth of the local organization and identified that to encourage further growth, an extension of the chapter would be required.

This will serve to **motivate** a wider circle of young people to become active citizens whilst providing more opportunities to empower young people and creating new avenues for service.

Resolved to extend efforts by constituting a local chapter, JCI Ibadan Elite, of an international association of Junior Chamber International based upon the principles within this constitution.

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The JCI Vision

To be the leading global network of young active citizens

The JCI Mission

To provide development opportunities that empower young people to create positive change

The JCI Creed

We Believe;

That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life.

That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations

That economic justice can best be won by free men, through free enterprise

That Government should be of laws rather than of men

That Earth's great treasure lies in Human personality

And that service to humanity is the best of life.

The JCIN Grace

For the bountiful provision of this food

For the gift of human personality

For the brotherhood of all men in thee

For the opportunity of selfless service

We thank thee O Lord.

CHAPTER 1

NAME

Article 1-1: Name: The association shall be known as the JUNIOR CHAMBER INTERNATIONAL, IBADAN ELITE, NIGERIA and hereinafter in the constitution referred to as “The LO or The Local Organization”

CHAPTER II

EMBLEM

Article 2-1 EMBLEM: The emblem of the LO shall consist of the emblem of Junior Chamber International with the words, **Ibadan Elite**, inscribed below the emblem.

By-Law 2-1 RESTRICTIVE USE: The use of the name, initials and emblem of the LO shall be restricted to its members and shall not be used by any other persons or organizations without the written consent of the President.

CHAPTER III

AFFILIATION

Article 3-1 AFFILIATION: The LO shall be affiliated to Junior Chamber International, Nigeria (“THE NO”) which is itself affiliated to the JUNIOR CHAMBER INTERNATIONAL Inc., hereinafter referred to as JCI and this shall include:

1. Acceptance of the JCI Declaration of Principles and purposes, which reads as follows: The principles of the Jaycees inspired by the JCI Creed and based on belief in: Faith in God, The Brotherhood of man, Individual Freedom and Dignity, Government of Laws, The value of human personality, Service to Humanity.
2. Compliance with the constitution of JCI in so far as this affects the LO.

CHAPTER IV

MISSION

Article 4-1 MISSION OF JCI: The mission of JCI inspired by the declaration of principles, shall be to provide development opportunities that empower young people to create positive change

Article 4-2 PURPOSE OF THE LOCAL ORGANIZATION: The purpose of the LO inspired by the JCI Declaration of Principles shall be:

- (a) Development of an awareness and acceptance of the responsibilities of citizenship.
- (b) Individual participation in internal training programs to develop leadership potential.
- (c) Active participation in planning and executing programs for the development of the individual and the community.
- (d) Promotion of social economic development in the community.
- (e) Furtherance of understanding, goodwill and cooperation among all peoples.

Article 4-3 POLITICS: The LO shall refrain from any partisan political activity.

Article 4-4 RELIGION

Section 1 RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES: The LO shall refrain from sectarian or religious activities. Any member is however free to practice his own religion.

Section 2 CONCEPT OF GOD: The concept of “GOD” in the context of the JCI **Creed** is to be interpreted according to one’s own religious belief.

CHAPTER V

MEMBERSHIP

Article 5-1 **QUALIFICATIONS:** Membership of the LO shall be open to individuals in the area of the LO provided that such individuals:

1. Comply with the requirements of the LO as laid down in this constitution.
2. Maintain age limits of not less than eighteen (18) years and not more than forty (40) years providing that membership shall continue until the end of the calendar year in which the person reaches the age of forty (40) years, with the exception that the Immediate Past President may serve in that capacity for not more than one (1) year.

Requirements

1. Applications shall be in writing on the membership form prescribed for that purpose and accompanied by the first year's subscription.
2. All applications must be sponsored by at least one member in good standing and must be accepted by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.
3. Before being officially recognized, any member shall have attended an induction and basic training course as set in the Local Organization policies.

Article 5-2 **HONORARY MEMBERS:** This will include the following categories:

- Members who have gone on transfer but who retain their membership. Such members will pay membership dues and attend two important LO activities for any year including the LO convention.
- Full member of other LO in town for a period not exceeding one year. Such members will attend meetings, pay meeting dues but not membership dues and will not have voting rights at meetings
- Persons above JCI age of 40 but willing and able to contribute to the LO.

Section 1: **ELIGIBILITY:** Any reputable member or organizations desiring to assist financially in extending and promoting the purposes of organization shall be eligible for acceptance as an honorary member.

Section 2 **RIGHTS:** Honorary members shall not be entitled to any of the right and privileges of membership except specific rights and privilege as may be determined by the Board from time to time.

Section 3: **ACCEPTANCE AND RENEWAL:** Honorary membership for a period of one (1) year shall be granted by the Board. Unless the membership of the honorary member has been previously terminated by the Board and provided that dues for the ensuring year have been paid, his membership shall be automatically renewed on January 1 for further period of one (1) year.

Section 4 REQUIREMENTS: Requirement for honorary membership shall be set by the Board and promulgated to all members.

By-law 5-4 PROCEDURE: An intending member will be required to attend two meetings of the LO before the membership can be considered for induction at the second meeting. He shall be introduced at every meeting, by the sponsor, until the membership is confirmed by the house.

By Law 5-5 AGE LIMIT: Individual member of the LO shall maintain age limit of not less than eighteen (18) and not more than forty (40) years, providing that membership may continue until the end of the calendar year in which the person reaches the age of forty (40) years.

By-Law 5-6 RESIGNATION: Any member may terminate his membership of the LO and may cease to be a member immediately upon his lodging notice of his wish to do so with the Secretary – General accompanied with all monies due to him from the LO.

Article 5-7 EXPULSION: A member who absents himself from four (4) consecutive meetings, without genuine excuse, may lose his membership of LO and may not be re-admitted. The Secretary General of the LO shall give notice to such member to signify continued interest in the LO via electronic mail and failure to respond within 15 days of receipt of the notice shall be deemed automatic loss of membership.

Article 5-8 DISQUALIFICATION: Where two thirds (2/3) of the member of the board are of the opinion that a member is no longer qualified for membership of the LO, the Board may suspend or terminate the membership of the member subject to ratification by a two-third (2/3) vote of financial members of the house.

POLICY 5–1 OATH OF AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER: The official oath of an individual member shall be as follows:

‘I do solemnly affirm that I shall faithfully serve the purpose of the Junior Chamber International and shall at all times uphold its ideals and principles.’

Policy 5-2 SOLICITATION AND SERVICE OF HONORARY MEMBERS:

Section 1 SOLICITATION: Honorary membership may be solicited only by a LO officer designated in writing by the president.

Section 2 SERVICE: The Board may from time to time establish policy directives regarding the service to be given to honorary members by the Secretariat.

Article 5-10 LIFE MEMBER: Presidents of the organization above the age of 40, who have faithfully led the duties of their office shall be granted life membership but they shall not vote nor hold office in this organization.

Article 5-11 Past Presidents, who are still within the (JCI) age and current National Board members will be automatic members of the board of directors of the LO and be expected to take up any responsibility assigned to them from time to time by the president.

Article 5-12 THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION: This body shall consist of all members of the local organization who have attained the maximum JCI age of 40. The body shall have her own constitution and her activities shall not interfere directly with that of the LO. The body shall meet at least once in a year in a location to be determined by its executives. The Vice President (Internal) of the Local Organisation shall be designated as the Liaison officer of the association.

CHAPTER VI

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

ARTICLE 6-1 SUPREME AUTHORITY: The General Assembly shall constitute the supreme authority of the LO. It shall approve the recommendations of the Board in the direction of the affairs of the LO.

Article 6-2 EXCLUSIVE PREROGATIVES: The General Assembly shall have the exclusive prerogative to vote on any and of the following matters:

- (a) Election of the President and the two Vice Presidents.
- (b) Approval of the appointment of all other officers.
- (c) Admission of new members
- (d) Approval of the plan of action and budget of the ensuing year.

Article 6-3 SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES: The General Assembly shall receive and act upon reports and recommendations, referred to it by the Board or any member of that body.

Article 6-4 COMPOSITION: The General Assembly shall be composed of the entire members of the LO.

Article 6-5 VOTING: In any vote by the General Assembly, all members whose current dues as prescribed by the constitution are not paid shall be barred from exercising their franchise or being voted for.

Article 6-6 PROXIES: proxies shall not be recognized

Article 6-7 CASTING VOTE: The president shall have the casting vote in the case of a tie, except in the case of election of LO officers.

Article 6-8 QUORUM: A quorum of the General Assembly shall comprise 1/3 of the total membership to the nearest whole number. Apologies for absence in writing via electronic means to the Secretary-General shall be counted for the purpose of ascertaining quorum

Article 6-9 MEETINGS: The meeting of the General Assembly shall be held once a month on the 3rd Sunday which is not a public holiday.

CHAPTER VII
THE LO CONVENTION

Article 7-1 **PURPOSE:** The purpose and business of the LO Convention shall be:

1. To receive the report of the Board of Directors and account for the year,
2. To dissolve the Board of Directors
3. To elect officers of the ensuing year
4. To approve the appointment of honorary members to the LO
5. To transact any other business appropriate to the LO.

Article 7-2 **PROGRAM:** The convention program shall be designed by the outgoing Board.

Section 1.

DATE AND PLACE: The convention shall commence with the Annual General Meeting on the 3rd Sunday in September and end with the investiture of officers/Convention Gala on a date and place to be determined by a simple majority of the General Assembly but not later than the last weekend in October.

Section 2.

BUSINESS: The supervision of business arrangements and general program for the convention shall be the responsibility of the outgoing executive.

CHAPTER VIII

OFFICERS

Article 8-1 ELECTED OFFICERS: The elected officers of the LO shall be:

- (a) The President
- (b) Two Vice Presidents, designated 1st Vice President (Internal Affairs) and 2nd Vice President (External Affairs) respectively, whose position shall be decided by the number of votes polled by each candidate. The Vice Presidents shall have served on the board of directors.

Article 8-2 APPOINTED OFFICERS: The appointed officers of the LO shall be:

- (a) The Secretary General
- (b) The Treasurer
- (c) General Legal Counsel
- (d) Director of Public Relations and Protocols
- (e) Director of Membership Services & Growth
- (f) Director of Individual & Business Opportunities
- (g) Director of Community & International Opportunities

All appointed officers mentioned above shall have served as Chairpersons of Committees in the current, preceding year or in the Creation Committee

Article 8-3 IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT: In addition to the elected and appointed officer, the immediate past president shall be an officer of the LO.

Article 8-4 DUTIES: The Officers of the LO shall carry out duties assigned by the president and as stipulated in this constitution.

Article 8-5 ELECTION: Each officer designated in Article 8.1 must be elected by a simple majority of votes at a general meeting during the LO convention. In case a candidate is returned unopposed, majority of the house General Assembly determines his election.

Section 1. VOTING: ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOTES: The number of votes received by each candidates shall be announced to the house after each ballot.

Section 2. TIME OF APPOINTMENT: The names of the appointed officers named in Article 8-2, shall be submitted to the house for endorsement not later than the business meeting in the month of October (**or**) immediately after the convention.

Section 3. INSTALLATION: The installation of newly elected and appointed officers of the LO shall take place within one month after the ratification of the appointed officers.

Section 4. TERM OF OFFICE: The term of office for each officer shall be one (1) calendar year, to commence on the day the appointment is ratified and shall continue for the entire year for which he was appointed or elected.

Section 5 EMERGENCY: In the event of the cancellation of annual convention, the officers may remain in the office beyond the term set out in section 4, until election can be held as prescribed in Article 8-5 except that the life of the new executive must terminate at the time the next convention is supposed to hold.

Article 8-6 NOMINATIONS

Section-1 Deadline: All nomination for elective offices must be made and forwarded by candidates to the Secretary General to reach him not less than 30 days prior to the convening of the election.

Section-2 EXTENSION OF DEADLINE: In the event that nominations were not received for the elective offices before the expiration of given deadline (Section 1), the house may extend the deadline to expire not less than 48 hours before the scheduled time election.

Section-3 SPONSORSHIP: A candidate for elective offices must be sponsored by two members of the LO in good attendance and financial standing.

Article 8-7 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: The President shall appoint, subject to the approval of the General Assembly, a nominations committee, which shall examine the eligibility and qualifications of all nominees for the particular office sought and certify to the house as to whether individual candidates have satisfied the requirement of Article 8-8 below.

Article 8-8 POLICY OPERATION OF THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: In pursuance of the above, the Nominations committee will question candidates on their knowledge of the constitutions and policy manual of the organization and the duties and responsibilities of the position for which they been nominated. Each candidate shall appear personally before the Nominations Committee.

POLICY 8-1 ATTENDANCE AT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD MEETING AND BRIEFING TO CONVENTION:

Section-1 MEETING AND PRIOR TO CONVENTION: All candidates will receive a brief as to their duties and responsibilities prior to the commencement of elections during convention.

Section-2 ATTENDANCE AT CONVENTION REQUIRED: Unless for valid reasons, he is excused by the president, each candidate for failure to comply shall invalidate the candidate's nomination for the offices in question.

Section-3 OFFICERS ELECT ATTENDANCE AT POST CONVENTION MEETINGS BRIEFING SESSIONS: Each officer-elect must attend the post-convention executive meetings, briefing and training session.

Article 8-9 QUALIFICATION:

Section 1 AGE: No persons shall be elected or appointed who will reach the fortieth (40) birthday prior to assuming office.

Section 2 MEMBER: Every nominee for election or appointed office shall be an individual member of the organization or member of Creation Committee of JCI Ibadan Elite.

Section 3 FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS: The member seeking election or appointment must be at time of election or appointment, current in the payment of dues to the LO.

Section 4 CONVENTION ATTENDANCE: Every nominee for election shall be registered in attendance at the convention at which he is a nominee

Section 5 SPECIFIC QUALIFICATIONS: In addition to the forgoing qualifications, each nominee shall meet the qualifications for the particular office for which he is nominated, as stipulated in this constitution.

Article 8-10 CONTINUED MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 QUALIFICATION: Every officer must not only qualify at the time of election, but must continue to hold the same qualification (except as to age) throughout the term of his office.

Article 8-11 OATH: All officers elect and officers – designated shall take the following oath of solemn Declaration of office, to be administered by the President at the annual convention or if necessary as soon thereafter as possible during installation.

“I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the office of (.....) of JUNIOR CHAMBER INTERNATIONAL, IBADAN ELITE 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 time.” The immediate Past President shall administer the President’s oath of office.

CEREMONY POLICY: After the President has administered the oath of office to all the officers elected, all officers shall repeat with him the JCI Creed”.

Article 8-12 CONFLICTING OFFICE: No officer of the LO shall hold office in the NO concurrently. However, the position of Immediate past President of the LO shall not be considered an officer of the LO for the purpose of this clause.

Article 8-13 VACANCIES: Vacancies for any office on the Board of Directors other than that of the President shall be filled by a vote of the General Assembly. Any member thus elected shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of office of the original holder.

CHAPTER IX

PRESIDENT

Article 9-1 DUTIES: The President shall:

1. Be responsible for the control and supervision of the Local Organization.
2. Preside at all General Membership Meetings and meetings of the Board of Directors.
3. Represent the Local Organization in all instances.
4. Report to the General Assembly and Board of Directors.

Article 9-2 VACANCY:

Upon the death, disability, resignation or other disposition that shall prevent the President from serving, one of the Vice Presidents will be elected at the General Membership Meeting.

CHAPTER X
VICE PRESIDENTS

Article 10-1 DUTIES: The duties of the Vice Presidents shall include:

1. Carry out such duties as may be assigned to him by the President and particularly to monitor, coordinate and promote the activities related to one or several JCI Areas of Opportunity.
2. Supervise the activities of the Commission Directors assigned to him.
3. Advise the President and Board of Directors on program and project matters.
4. Receive all material and information relating to programs and projects received from JCI and the National Organization in his field of responsibility and distribute these to the Directors concerned.

Article 10-2 SPECIFICATIONS: The Vice President shall have served at least on the Board of Directors.

CHAPTER XI
SECRETARY-GENERAL

Article 11-1 APPOINTMENT: A Secretary-General shall be appointed annually by the President subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

Article 11-2 DUTIES:

1. Be the administrative Officer of the Local Organization responsible directly to the President.
2. Give notice of all General Membership Meetings of whatever nature.
3. Be responsible for taking minutes of General Membership Meetings and Board of Directors Meetings and for keeping a permanent record of such minutes, which shall be open to inspection by members at all reasonable times.
4. Prepare the agendas of all meetings and submit them to the President for approval.
5. Be responsible for the preparation of the annual report of the Local Organization.

CHAPTER XII

TREASURER

Article 12-1 APPOINTMENT: A Treasurer shall be appointed annually by the President subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

Article 12-2 DUTIES:

1. Issue notices of dues payable and be responsible for their collection.
2. Keep books of accounts and financial records of the Local Organization.
3. Be responsible for the disbursement of monies at the direction of the Board of Directors.
4. Be responsible for the preparation of an annual report on the financial affairs of the Local Organization and for quarterly financial statements.
5. All changes and other orders relating to the banking accounts of the LO shall be signed by the President and shall be countersigned by the Treasurer.

Article 12-3 INTERIM STATEMENT: The Treasurer shall each year cause to be prepared and presented to General Assembly at Convention an interim statement of accounts for the period ending September 30 of the current year.

CHAPTER XIII
GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL

Article 13-1 APPOINTMENT:

A General Legal Counsel shall be appointed annually by the President subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

Article 13-2 DUTIES:

1. He shall serve as Parliamentarian to the Board and the General Assembly.
2. Rule on matters of parliamentary nature at the request of the presiding officer.
3. Make sure that the JCI Ibadan Elite constitution is respected at all times.
4. Propose amendments to JCI Ibadan Elite constitution and policy manual, if necessary

Article 13-3 PARLIAMENTARIAN:

In the absence of the General Legal counsel, the president with the concurrence of the meeting shall appoint a parliamentarian who shall serve for the period of the meeting.

CHAPTER XIV
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ARTICLE 14-1. COMPOSITION:

The Board of Directors is composed of the Executive Committee and the appointed officers of the Local Organization.

BYLAW 14-2. DUTIES:

The Board of Directors, which is the governing body of the Local Organization, shall:

1. Have control of the property of the Local Organization and the administration of its funds.
2. Discharge all functions of the Local Organization except those exercised by the General Assembly or delegated to the Executive Committee, if any.
3. Make recommendations to the General Assembly.
4. Act on all matters referred to it by the General Assembly.
5. Plan and coordinate Local Organization activities.
6. Approve the affiliation of members.

BYLAW 14-3. MEETINGS:

Section 1. Regular Meetings:

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held monthly at such time and place as the President shall decide. Three (3) days' electronic notice of such meetings shall be given to each member by the Secretary General, except when specifically scheduled at the time of the last meeting with mention in the minutes.

Section 2. Special Meetings:

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or by the Secretary General at the request of at least one-third (1/3) of the members of the Board.

BYLAW 14-4. QUORUM:

Fifty-one (51) percent of the members at any meeting of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum.

BYLAW 14-5. VOTING:

1. At all meetings of the Board of Directors, each member present shall have one vote.
2. Voting shall be determined by a show of hands, unless decided otherwise at the President's discretion or by one-third (1/3) of the members present at the meeting.
3. Proxy votes shall not be permitted.

CHAPTER XV
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 15-1. COMPOSITION:

The President, the Vice Presidents, the Immediate Past President, the Secretary General, the Treasurer and the General Legal Counsel shall comprise an Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 15-2. DUTIES:

The Executive Committee shall:

1. Manage the affairs of the Local Organization within the powers vested in it by the constitution and the General Assembly
2. Implement the action decided upon by the General Assembly and the Board of Directors.
3. Recommend action to the Board of Directors.
4. Constitute a Finance Committee, and review and revise the annual budget whenever deemed necessary for submission to the Board of Directors for approval.
5. Receive reports from its members.
6. Propose, receive or consider constitutional amendments. Endorse, recommend against or request changes to them. The proposer of the amendments shall be so informed and may maintain, withdraw or alter his or her amendments.
7. Receive and consider Senatorship applications, and give advice to the President for endorsement or rejection of same (in the case there is no Senatorship Committee).
8. Be empowered by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of its members to dismiss any Officer who does not fulfill the duties of the office.
9. Upon recommendation of the President, set the duties and composition of a Strategic Planning Committee and appoint its members.

BYLAW 15-3. MEETINGS:

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall meet once a month at a place and time set by the President.

Section 2. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at the request of the President or a majority of its members.

BYLAW 15-4. QUORUM:

A quorum of the Executive Committee shall comprise a majority of its members.

BYLAW 15-5. VOTING:

1. At all meetings of the Executive Committee, each member shall have one vote.

2. Voting shall be determined by a show of hands unless decided otherwise at the President's discretion or by one-third (1/3) of the members present at the meeting.

CHAPTER XVI
PROGRAM/ACTIVITIES

Article 16-1 AREAS OF OPPORTUNITY: To facilitate the achievements of the purpose of the LO, its program of activities shall be divided into four areas of opportunity with the following terms of reference:

1. **INDIVIDUAL OPPORTUNITIES:** To provide the opportunity for the members to realize his or her personal potential through training programs, business skills of the individual member by offering business link at all levels of the organization.
2. **COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES:** To develop the sensitivity of the individual member to societal problem and knowledge of community dynamics in solving these problems through actual experience.
3. **INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:** To provide the opportunity for the individual member to contribute to the development of goodwill, understanding and cooperation among all people.
4. **BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES:** To provide the opportunity for the individual member to contribute to the development and enhancement of economic infrastructure, prosperity and wellbeing of our country Nigeria and all Nations.

CHAPTER XVII

FINANCE

Article 17-1 FINANCIAL YEAR:

The financial year of the LO shall be January 1 to December 31.

Article 17-2 BOOK- KEEPING:

The Cashbook, Ledger and other book-keeping records of the LO shall be maintained by the Treasurer under the supervision of the Board of Directors.

Article 17-3 BUDGET:

The Treasurer shall submit a proposed budget for the ensuing year to the Board of Directors at its meeting during the National Organization's Convention for its consideration. The proposed budget, with the recommendations of the Board of Directors, shall then be submitted to the General Assembly at the Convention for its approval.

CHAPTER XVIII

DUES

Article 18-1 DUES: Each member shall pay his meeting dues at each monthly meeting, an amount as determined by the House. The same amount shall be paid for each guest. Members will pay the prescribed LO dues, NO dues as approved by the NO and JCI dues in U.S. Dollars. Any member joining the LO five or less months to the end of the financial year shall pay 50% of all dues.

Article 18-2 SUSPENSION: A member whose dues payment is more than three (3) months in arrears shall be suspended from membership of the LO and shall lose all voting rights until such dues are paid.

Article 18-3 TERMINATION: A member whose dues are more than twelve (12) months in arrears shall cease to be a member of the LO.

CHAPTER XIX

NEWSLETTER

Article 19-1 NEWSLETTER: A newsletter, which shall be the official journal of the organization shall be published by the Chairman of the Editorial Board in the English Language, quarterly or at such regular intervals as the House directs. The newsletter shall be edited by a member of the LO with adequate previous journalistic experience within policies set forth by the General Assembly and the Board. The Chairman of the Editorial Board shall have full responsibility for the editorial content and policy of the LO's newsletter, and shall establish such advertising policies and restrictions as are consistent with the organization policy and conducive to its best interest.

Article 19-2 SUBSCRIPTIONS: The subscription price of the Newsletter shall be set by the Executive Committee to defray the cost of its production.

CHAPTER XX

SENATORS

Article 20-1 DEFINITION: A life membership entitled “JCI SENATOR” may be awarded to individual members or past members as a means of honouring them for rendering outstanding service to the Organization. The awarding of such status shall not exempt the membership from paying regular dues to the LO.

Article 20-2 APPLICATION: The application shall be approved by the President of the LO and forwarded to the President of the NO for his approval. Prior to or at the same time as the approval by the President of the LO is requested, a contribution as determined by the NO shall be made to the JCI through the NO.

Article 20-3 REVOCATION: A senatorship may be revoked, temporarily suspended or withdrawn at anytime by either of the following:

(a) The President of the LO, subject to the approval of the Board on the recommendation of the NO President to the World President, if, in the opinion of the LO or NO President, the Senator has not conducted himself in a manner worthy of a senator.

(b) The board on the recommendation of the LO or NO President, if the actions of the Senator are not in the best interest of the Organization.

Article 20-4 RIGHTS: A senator, as such, is not qualified to be elected an officer of the organization and shall have no special rights, except those which are granted to ordinary members of JCI age, provided the Senator is within JCI age. Senators who have passed Jaycee age shall have no rights whatsoever, except those which may be granted from time to time by the organization.

CHAPTER XXI

PRINCIPAL OFFICE

ARTICLE 21-1 PLACE: The Principal office of the LO shall be located at the address of the President. It shall however, be permanently located when the necessary funds for the development of a secretariat is available.

CHAPTER XXII

AMENDMENT

Article 22-1: Articles may be amended by two-third (2/3) of the members present and voting at a LO Convention provided that written notice of the proposed amendment is given to each member of the LO 30 days prior to the convention.

ARTICLE 22-2-WAIVERS

Section 1 – ARTICLE: Any provision of this constitution may be waived by a unanimous vote of the members at a LO convention provided that four fifth (4/5) of the total voting strength in attendance participate in that vote.

Section 2 – BY LAWS: Any by-law of this constitution may be waived by a unanimous vote of the members at the LO Convention provided that two-third (2/3) of the total voting strength in attendance participate in that votes.

Section 3 – EFFECTIVE DATE: This constitution shall take effect immediately on approval by two-third (2/3 majority) of the General Assembly of the LO.