



**“One for All and All for One”**

**Pan American Round Tables of Texas State Board Meeting  
March 24, 2018, San Marcos, Texas  
Report of the Parliamentarian, Kathy Ehmann-Clardy**

I was honored to be elected as a Parliamentarian at the State Convention in Houston, Texas, in April 2017. On August 12, 2017, I attended the PARTT workshop held in Laredo, Texas. At the workshop I distributed a booklet I prepared entitled, “Tips for Effective Meetings & Parliamentary Procedure,” to the Table Directors and Board members. The booklet provides guidelines and examples for the Table Directors to follow to prepare their agendas and tips on chairing their meetings efficiently.

To date I have received copies of the Constitution and Bylaws from the following Tables: Austin, Brownsville I, Dallas III, Fort Worth I, and Odessa. I have been working with the members of Dallas III to revise their Constitution and Bylaws. I had the pleasure of meeting with them several times last year and also presented a program for them on Costa Rica, although that was not part of my duties as Parliamentarian.

The Finance Committee recently sent proposed amendments to the State Constitution, Bylaws, and Standing Rules. They are attached to this report and will be distributed to each Board Member and Table Director at this meeting. The proposed revisions can be briefly summarized as follows:

**CONSTITUTION:**

1. Allow the State Treasurer to be serve more than two consecutive terms.
2. The newly elected officers shall assume their duties by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**BYLAWS:**

1. Increase Table dues from \$6.00 to \$7.00 per member with no Table paying less than \$154.00, which is based on a minimum of twenty-two members.

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**STANDING RULES:**

Add rule 18. “The State Treasurer shall act as preparer for annual 990-N postcards for the Pan American Round Tables of Texas and all Member Tables.”

The Revisions Committee will meet to discuss the proposed amendments and make a recommendation to the Board and the Tables for presentation at the PARTT 59<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention to be held in March 2019, in Fort Worth, Texas.

**Respectfully submitted,**

*Kathy Ehmann-Clardy*

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**PART State Parliamentarian 2017-2019**

## PROPOSED REVISIONS SUBMITTED BY THE 2017—2019 FINANCE COMMITTEE

### CONSTITUTION

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PROPOSED READING: “No officer shall serve two consecutive terms in the same office **other than the treasurer.**”

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PROPOSED READING: “The newly elected officers shall assume their duties immediately following the convention **by July 1st following the convention.** There will be a thirty (30) day transition period following the election of the new officers.”

### BYLAWS

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PROPOSED READING: “The annual dues paid by member Tables to the State shall be **seven dollars (\$7.00)** per capita per year, with no table paying less than **one hundred fifty-four dollars (\$154.00)**. These dues shall be payable by December 1st of each year to the State Treasurer.”

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