

REACT International, Inc.

Policy Statement

Policy 3-02

SUBJECT: Charter of New Teams

PURPOSE: Procedures for Processing New Team Charters.

SCOPE: Councils

GENERAL:

REACT International, Inc., is a member Team based organization. It is REACT International's policy to encourage the formation of new REACT Teams and to expedite the issuance of new Team charters. It is desirable that new Teams have goals and programs commensurate with the REACT program, and that existing local Teams and Councils play a part in the approval process.

There are three possible paths for a Team Charter Application to take:

1. Submitted to REACT International directly.
2. Submitted to a REACT International Director.
3. Submitted to a REACT Council.

SUBMITTED TO REACT INTERNATIONAL DIRECTLY.

When an application for a REACT Team Charter is submitted to REACT International from an applicant organization served by a REACT Council:

1. REACT Headquarters will review the application for completeness of information requested and will forward copies of the application to the appropriate Council president and the Director for that Region.
2. The Council president will cause the application to be reviewed and will notify REACT International within 35 days (30 days plus allowance for mail delivery) if there are any reasons to deny the application. The Director will advise REACT International of his/her recommendation within 30 days.
3. In reviewing the Team Application, the Council may consult with nearby Teams, community officials, public service organizations, etc., in arriving at its recommendation.
4. If no objection has been received by REACT International within 35 days from the date of mailing to the Council and Director, the Team Charter will be issued.

If a Team Charter Application is received by REACT International and there is no active REACT Council for that area, the office will review the application as in 1 above, and forward a copy to the Region's Director for recommendation. The Director will seek to obtain recommendations from nearby Teams, if possible, and will make a recommendation to REACT International within 35 days.

SUBMITTED TO A DIRECTOR

The Director will immediately forward the Team Application to REACT International, along with a recommendation, and will send a copy of the Application to the appropriate Council President, if any.

The Council will then follow the same procedure as when the Application is originally sent to REACT International.

SUBMITTED TO A COUNCIL

It is presumed that, in this case, the Council or a member Team will have been involved in the formation and organization of the proposed Team. The Council should immediately forward the Application to REACT International with its recommendation, and a copy to the Region's Director for his/her recommendation.

In the event that a Team Application is submitted to a Council unexpectedly, the Council will immediately forward the Application to REACT International (with a copy to the Region's Director for his/her recommendation) and will forward its recommendation to REACT International within 30 days.

IF EITHER A COUNCIL OR A DIRECTOR DOES NOT RECOMMEND APPROVAL.

Should either a Council or a Director recommend disapproval of a Team Charter, the applicant organization will be notified immediately of the unfavorable recommendation and the reasons for the recommendation, and will be given an opportunity to correct anything forming the basis for the disapproval. If final approval cannot be obtained in this fashion, the applicant organization will be given an opportunity to appeal to the Membership Committee of the Board of Directors.

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