



**MINUTES**  
**of the**  
**OCTOBER 2019**  
**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

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**2019–20**

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# MINUTES

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## OCTOBER 2019 MEETING

### Rotary International Board of Directors

The Rotary International Board of Directors held its second meeting of the year on  
21–24 October 2019 in Evanston, IL, USA

Present were: President Mark Daniel Maloney, President-elect Holger Knaack, Vice President Olayinka Babalola, Treasurer David D. Stovall, Executive Committee Chairman Francesco Arezzo, other directors, Tony Black, Jeffry Cadorette, Mário César de Camargo, Lawrence A. Dimmitt, Rafael M. Garcia III, Jan Lucas Ket, Kyun Kim, Floyd A. Lancia, Akira Miki, Bharat S. Pandya, Kamal Sanghvi, Johrita Solari, Stephanie A. Urchick, Piotr Wygnańczuk, and General Secretary John Hewko. Per Høyen attended as Trustee liaison. Also present was president nominee Shekhar Mehta.

Past President Barry Rassin presented the Shaping Rotary's Future Committee report. Past Director Karen Wentz presented the Operations Review Committee report. Also present was Michael Owsley representing the Young Past District Governors Committee.

Andrew McDonald served as secretary of the meeting with assistance from Matt Hohmann. Other staff present were David Alexander, Jim Barnes, Victor Barnes, Michele Berg, Julie Burke, Jessie Dunbar-Bickmore, Faiz Hanif, Brian King, Laurie McCarthy, Steve Routburg, Eric Schmelling, Dave Stumpf, Tom Thorfinnson, Shannon Watson, Doris Xie, and Nora Zei. Dora Calkins, and Eiko Terao served as staff interpreters.

Under the guidance of the president, the general secretary had prepared an advance memorandum for this meeting containing items for consideration with background information and analysis. Those items, along with others initiated during this meeting, constituted the agenda of the meeting as reflected in the remainder of these minutes.

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#### 16. Minutes of the May and "July" 2019 Board Meetings

*Statement:* The general secretary distributed the May and "July" 2019 Board meeting minutes to each director.

*DECISION:* The Board approves the May and "July" 2019 Board meeting minutes as distributed.

#### 17. Ratification of Decisions Made by the President

*Statement:* As authorized, 2018–19 President Rassin and 2019–20 President Maloney took decisions on behalf of the Board to fill vacancies in the office of governor-elect, to approve waivers for the qualifications of a governor-nominee, and to appoint a member to the Nominating Committee for President, per the RI Bylaws.

*DECISION:* The Board ratifies the decisions made on behalf of the Board by President Rassin during the period 5 March through 30 June 2019 and President Maloney from 1 July through 6 September 2019, as shown in Appendix A.

#### 18. Ratification of Decisions Made by the General Secretary

*Statement:* As authorized, the general secretary took several decisions on behalf of the Board.

*DECISION:* The Board ratifies the decisions shown in Appendix B made by the general secretary on behalf of the Board during the period 7 May 2019 through 6 September 2019.

#### 19. Decisions by Communication

*Statement:* Under Illinois state law, a board of directors may take action by ballot without a meeting if such action, provided in writing, is approved by all directors. Since its last meeting, the Board took five decisions by communication.

*DECISION:* The Board notes that it made five decisions by communication since its May 2019 meeting:

##### 2018–19 Board

**Ballot 3:** The Board, the Executive Committee acting on its behalf,

- a. received the complaint of the Rotary Club of Thanjavur Palace City, India, concerning the election of the 2021–22 governor of District

2981 (India) and found that the complaint did not present sufficient evidence of campaigning by or on behalf of the winning candidate, and therefore, dismissed the complaint and upheld the election of Rotarian S. Balaji as the 2021–22 governor of District 2981;

- b. received the complaint of the Rotary Club of Indore, India, concerning the election of the 2021–22 governor of District 3040 (India) and found that the complaint did not present sufficient evidence of campaigning by or on behalf of the winning candidate, and therefore, dismissed the complaint and upheld the election of Rotarian Col. Mahendra Mishra as the 2021–22 governor of District 3040;
- c. received the complaint of the Rotary Club of Pagsanjan, Philippines, concerning the election of the 2021–22 governor of District 3820 (Philippines) and found that the governor selection process was impacted by the governor’s initial failure to follow the RI Bylaws’ requirements on submitting challenging candidates and inquiring whether any clubs wish to concur with the challenge, and further found that the timeframe eventually offered by the governor to submit challenges was inadequate, and therefore, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 14.020.9., directed the 2019–20 governor to inform the clubs of the name of the challenging candidate, set a deadline for concurrences 14 days later, and, if sufficient concurrences are received, proceed with a ballot between the candidate selected by the nominating committee and the challenging candidate to select the 2021–22 governor of District 3820;
- d. thanked the RI Election Review Committee for its review of this complaint.

### **2019–20 Board**

**Ballot 1:** The Board adopted, effective on 1 July 2018, all decisions it had approved at its 7 June 2019 meeting, held in Hamburg, Germany.

**Ballot 2:** The Board, the Executive Committee acting on its behalf, approved amendments to the Recommend Rotary Club Bylaws necessitated by action of the 2019 Council on Legislation and other minor changes.

**Ballot 3:** The Board, pursuant to RI Bylaws section 9.110.6., elected Director Johrita Solari as a non-voting member of the 2019 Council on Resolutions.

**Ballot 4:** The Board agreed that

1. the following 33 files containing resolutions for the 2019 Council on Resolutions are duly proposed and not defective at this time:

001-R 007-R 016-R 025-R 031-R 036-R  
002-R 008-R 017-R 027-R 032-R 037-R  
003-R 009-R 018-R 028-R 033-R 038-R  
004-R 010-R 021-R 029-R 034-R 039-R  
005-R 013-R 023-R 030-R 035-R 040-R  
006-R 014-R 024-R

2. the following resolutions for the 2019 Council on Resolutions are defective at this time:

011-R To request the RI Board to consider allowing additional access to Rotary Club Central reports and data collection  
012-R To request the RI Board to consider being transparent about the process for determining the RI reserve level  
015-R To request the RI Board to consider creating a Rotary Information Certificate  
019-R To request the RI Board to consider realigning the Five Avenues of Service  
020-R To request the RI Board to consider amending the Avenues of Service  
022-R To request the RI Board to consider clarifying the range of the general secretary’s authority

3. resolutions that are not duly proposed or defective shall not be transmitted to the Council.

### **20. January 2020 Board Meeting Draft Agenda**

**Statement:** To help the Board in its planning and to provide scope for its work ahead, the general secretary presents a draft agenda for the Board’s next meeting.

**DECISION:** The Board approves its draft January 2020 meeting agenda as presented at this meeting.

## 21. General Secretary's Report

*Statement:* The general secretary reported on the work at the Secretariat since the Board's May 2019 meeting and progress on Secretariat initiatives during 2019–20.

*DECISION:* The Board receives the general secretary's report on the activities at the Secretariat since the May 2019 Board meeting.

## 22. Treasurer's Report

*Statement:* Rotary Code of Policies section 29.040.6. requires the treasurer to report on the status of RI finances at each Board meeting.

*DECISION:* The Board thanks Treasurer Stovall for his report on the status of RI's finances.

## 23. 2020–21 Annual Goals

*Statement:* The Rotary Code of Policies provides that the annual Rotary goals be approved by the Board in the year preceding the year that the goals are to be in place. President-elect Knaack and Trustee Chairman-elect Ravindran presented a set of joint goals that align with the RI Strategic Plan and the Trustees' priorities.

*DECISION:* The Board adopts the 2020–21 annual goals for Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation, as shown in Appendix C.

## 24. Communications from the Trustees

*Statement:* At their April, June, and August 2019 meetings, the Rotary Foundation Trustees took several decisions of interest to the Board. The Trustees had also requested the Board to review the costs associated with running Rotary's international offices.

*DECISION:* The Board

1. notes the following decisions from the April 2019 Trustees meeting:

95. Communications from the Board
96. Removal of the Chair
97. Election of Officers
98. TRF Appointments and Funding
- 100-104. Council on Resolutions Requests
107. Strategic Planning Committee Report
108. Joint Committee on Partnerships Report
111. Rotaract Donor Recognition

118. Rotaract Clubs and Global Grants
126. Review of Outsourcing Opportunities

2. requests the general secretary to report to the Board and Trustees at their April 2020 meetings on the ongoing Secretariat review of the costs of the international offices;
3. notes the following decisions from the June 2019 Trustees meeting:

### 2018–19 Trustees

132. New Rotary Peace Center in Sub-Saharan Africa
142. Rotary Foundation Allocation

### 2019–20 Trustees

3. Communications from the Board
11. Service Partnership Extensions
4. notes the following decisions from the August 2019 Trustees meeting:
  18. Election of 2019 Council on Resolutions Member

## 25. Election of Foundation Trustees

*Statement:* RI Bylaws section 22.020. requires the president-elect to annually nominate individuals as Rotary Foundation trustees for election by the Board. In decision 140, April 2019, the Board requested future presidents to nominate no fewer than twice the number of candidates for election as Foundation trustee as there will be open positions (not including the position to be held by a past RI president). President-elect Knaack presented a list of Rotarians for the Board to consider for election as Rotary Foundation trustees. The Board voted by ballot to determine those to be elected.

*DECISION:* The Board, following the nomination by President-elect Knaack, elects Hsiu Ming Lin, Geeta K. Manek, Aziz Memon, and Barry J. Rassin to be Trustees of The Rotary Foundation, beginning 1 July 2020 to serve terms of four years.

## 26. Petitions to the Board

*Statement:* The Board considered three petitions from Rotary clubs and districts:

- From past RI Director Corneliu Dinca, requesting the Board to take measures against a Rotary club in Romania for alleged non-conformity with RI

regulations and for harassment of its past club president and further to amend the Rotary Code of Policies to improve accountability.

- From the Rotary Club of Oldenburg-Ammerland, German, requesting the Board to take several steps to better support New Generations Service Exchange.
- From past RI Director Noel Trevaskis, requesting the Board to allow the co-sponsorship of the Interact Club of Aitken College, Australia, by clubs in two Rotary districts.

**DECISION:** The Board, the Executive Committee acting on its behalf, requests the general secretary to follow-through on the petitions received at this meeting in accordance with discussion at this meeting.

## 27. Annual Report on Litigation

*Statement:* The general secretary provides an annual report regarding ongoing litigation affecting Rotary International.

**DECISION:** The Board receives the general secretary's annual report on litigation.

## 28. Indemnification of Staff

*Statement:* The general secretary noted that while the Rotary Code of Policies provides for indemnification of RI directors and officers, it does not provide indemnification for Secretariat staff, and, therefore, suggested that the Board add this legal protection to staff who, in carrying out their work responsibilities, conduct activities and perform services on behalf of Rotary.

**DECISION:** The Board, to provide indemnification protections to present and former RI staff for any acts or decisions made in good faith while performing services on behalf of Rotary International or The Rotary Foundation, amends the Rotary Code of Policies as follows:

### 72.030. Indemnification of Staff

Rotary International shall indemnify all of its present and former staff for all acts taken under the direction of the board of directors of Rotary International or the trustees of The Rotary Foundation, or, otherwise, for any acts or decisions made in good faith and in a manner they reasonably believe to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of Rotary International or

The Rotary Foundation, while performing services for Rotary International or The Rotary Foundation to the full extent permitted by the Illinois General Not for Profit Corporation Act of 1986, or any successor legislation adopted by the State of Illinois.

## 29. Updates to the Rotary Code of Policies

*Statement:* Board policy requires the general secretary, at the conclusion of each Board meeting, to review the decisions taken at that meeting and to prepare a report listing the decisions that might be added to the Rotary Code of Policies. The general secretary provided suggested amendments to the Code based upon Board decisions taken at the April, May, and "July" 2019 Board meetings. The general secretary further recommended amendments to the Code to reflect current practices, language, and other factors. In addition, the general secretary proposed amendments to the Code required by legislation adopted at the 2019 Council on Legislation.

Rotary Code of Policies section 49.060. states that any section or subsection of the Code that is more than 30 years old and has not been subsequently amended, shall be automatically rescinded effective 1 July of the applicable year unless formally retained by Board action. As the Board had reviewed Code section adopted before 1989 at previous meetings, it considered Code section adopted during 1989 at this meeting.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. to record the decisions taken at its April, May, and "July" 2019 meetings, and previously, amends the Rotary Code of Policies as found in Appendix D, filed only with the official copy of the minutes;
2. to record changes made to RI's constitutional documents at the 2019 Council on Legislation, amends the Rotary Code of Policies as found in Appendix D, filed only with the official copy of these minutes;
3. agrees to retain the sections of the Rotary Code of Policies adopted before 1989 as currently written, as found in Appendix D, filed only with the official copy of the minutes.

## 30. Policies Relating to the RI Board

*Statement:* At its first meeting of the new Rotary year, the Board reviews those policies governing the Board of Directors' work. The general secretary noted at the "July"



meeting that some of these policies should be revised to better reflect current practices and to streamline language. In decision 8, July 2019, the Board requested the general secretary to review Rotary Code of Policies section 28.005. to ensure that the policies stated in that section continue to be relevant.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. approves revised policies relating to the Board as shown in Appendix E.
2. agrees that the Board will continue to review this section at its first meeting of each Rotary year.

### **31. Proposed 2020–21 RI Committee Structure**

*Statement:* The president-elect annually submits the proposed RI committee structure for the following Rotary year to the Board for review at its second meeting. This structure includes the committee names, their terms of reference, the number of members on each committee, and the number of meetings the committee is budgeted to hold (actual appointments are approved at the January Board meeting). As the president-elect proposed adding advisers to the 2021 and 2022 convention committees, the Board agreed that a two-thirds vote was required, pursuant to decision 37 in these minutes.

**DECISION:** The Board, by a two-thirds vote, thanks President-elect Knaack for the review of his proposed 2020–21 RI committee structure.

### **32. Timing of Committee Meetings**

*Statement:* To allow for full participation in Board, Trustee, and committee meetings, President Maloney requested efforts be made to prevent scheduling conflicts when a Board or Trustee committee meets concurrently with a Trustee or Board meeting.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. agrees that RI committees with trustee members or liaisons shall not meet at the same time as Trustee meetings;
2. requests the Trustees to consider adopting a corresponding policy agreeing that Foundation committees with director members or liaisons shall not meet at the same time as Board meetings to ensure that directors are available for both their Foundation committee assignments and Board meetings.

### **33. Election Review Committee Report**

*Statement:* The Election Review Committee reviewed one election complaint received by the general secretary since the Board's May 2019 meeting and made its recommendations regarding this complaint to the Board.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. receives the complaint of the Rotary Club of Nicosia-Aspelia, Cyprus, concerning the election of the 2021–22 governor of District 2452 and
  - a. does not find evidence substantiating the allegations in the complaint that there were procedural irregularities in this election sufficient to nullify the election;
  - b. believes that the 2018–19 governor conducted the election in accordance with RI's policies and procedures to the best of his ability given the discord and distrust among Rotarians in this district;
  - c. dismisses the complaint of the Rotary Club of Nicosia-Aspelia, Cyprus, and confirms the selection of Rotarian Ashot Karapetyan as the 2021–22 governor of District 2452;
2. requests the general secretary to send a letter to the leadership of District 2452 cautioning and advising them on how to proceed in conducting future elections.

### **DECISIONS 34–39**

#### **Operations Review Committee Report** Meeting 20–22 August 2019 in Evanston, IL, USA

### **34. Training on Adult Harassment Policy and Removal of “Past Governor” Status**

*Statement:* In decision 14, “July” 2019, the Board requested the Operations Review Committee to review the implementation of the Board's updated adult harassment policy and the circumstances in which the Board would consider no longer recognizing a Rotarian as a past district governor. The committee recommended that to best address adult harassment matters in Rotary, the Board provide increased training on Rotary's adult harassment policies and procedures to various leadership positions. The committee further suggested amendments to the Rotary Code of Policies regarding the definition of a past RI officer that would provide for specific instances, including findings of harassment, when the Board may revoke “past governor” status from a Rotarian.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. agrees that incoming and current club presidents, governors, regional leaders, and directors shall be provided annual training on RI's adult harassment policies and procedures and requests the Leadership Development and Training Committee to incorporate this training in future training cycles, including, but not limited to, at all future presidents-elect training seminars (PETS) and International Assemblies;
2. requests the Trustees to provide annual training on RI's adult harassment policies and procedures to incoming and current Trustees;
3. endorses the revisions to the Board's adult harassment policy reviewed by the committee at this meeting as shown in decision 48 (Adult Harassment Policy Review);
4. amends Rotary Code of Policies section 30.050. regarding the definition of past RI officers as follows:

**30.050. Definition of Past Officer of RI**

Terms such as "past president," "past director," and "past governor" identify those who have served full terms in those offices except where the RI Board has, on the merits of individual cases, decided that something less than a full term may be deemed to have been a full term for purposes of these definitions and for purposes of qualifying to hold higher office in RI under provisions of the RI Bylaws.

In certain circumstances, the Board may determine that a past officer will no longer be considered to be a past officer of Rotary International. The grounds for such a determination may include, but are not limited to, a finding that the past officer has been involved in criminal activity, financial malfeasance, fraud, harassment, election interference, lawsuits against Rotary, its officers or clubs, has acted in a manner inconsistent with the Rotary Code of Conduct, or has engaged in any other action or activity inconsistent with the standard of conduct that the Board considers to be appropriate for a past officer.

Prior to submission for consideration, the matter must have been reviewed at the appropriate Rotary club, district or zone level, consistent with Rotary policies, with the findings presented to the Board.

In reaching its determination, the Board may rely upon findings of the appropriate local (club, district, and zone) entity that are documented and presented to the Board by a director or general secretary.

5. requests the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation for possible submission to the 2022 Council on Legislation that would clarify that a Rotarian who has been determined by the Board to no longer be considered to be a past RI officer shall not be eligible to serve in any office referenced in the RI Bylaws for which serving as a past officer is required.

**35. Expense Reimbursements for President's Representatives**

*Statement:* In decision 140, April 2019, the Board agreed to develop a standard policy on expense reimbursements for president's representatives. The Operations Review Committee reviewed the existing expense reimbursement policy and noted that it lacked consistency. The committee recommended that the Board clarify its policy to eliminate any annual fluctuations to what is reimbursable.

**DECISION:** The Board amends Rotary Code of Policies section 20.030.5. regarding expenses of president's representatives as follows:

20.030.5. Expenses of President's Representative  
Rotary International will pay the travel expenses of the president's representative and spouse to a district conference that are directly tied to the assignment and would not have been incurred otherwise, including ground transportation to and from the airport, visa fees, forced overnight hotel expenses, and baggage fees. The district conference shall assume the hotel and conference expenses of the president's representative and spouse during their attendance at the conference. The account of the president's representative for expenses incurred in attending a district conference shall not be closed nor shall the representative receive final reimbursement for travel and other expenses in connection to district conference attendance until a final report of the conference is sent to the president.

**36. Management of District Funds**

*Statement:* In decision 44, October 2018, the Board requested the Operations Review Committee to study whether there are widespread issues regarding the appropriate management of district funds. The committee reviewed Secretariat reports regarding district submission of financial reports and further studied the findings of a 2018 survey of districts that were piloting a new funding model for governors. The committee found no widespread cause for concern.

**DECISION:** The Board thanks the Operations Review Committee for its report regarding the appropriate management of district funds and agrees to take no further action on the matter at this time.

### 37. Appointment of Committee Advisers

*Statement:* The Operations Review Committee discussed a recommendation from a working group of the committee that reviewed matters pertaining to the power of the RI president, and recommended that the Board provide for limits to the RI president's appointment of advisers to Rotary committees.

**DECISION:** The Board agrees that

1. adviser(s) may be appointed to a committee on an exception basis, provided that any adviser(s) be approved by the RI Board;
2. an adviser should provide subject matter expertise and/or geographic representation needed on the committee;
3. the president's budget shall cover any additional costs of advisers;
4. a two-thirds vote of the Board is required to add an adviser to a committee.

### 38. Official Participants at the International Assembly

*Statement:* In decision 142, April 2019, the Board, in reviewing committee-related governance matters, requested the Operations Review Committee to review the official participants list for the International Assembly to ensure that the role of each participant on the list is necessary to the primary purpose of the meeting. The Operations Review Committee recommended amendments to the official participants list as provided in the Rotary Code of Policies.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. recognizing that the primary purpose of the International Assembly is to train incoming governors, amends the list of official participants listed in section 58.070.1. as follows:

58.070.1. International Assembly Attendance Expenses Paid by RI and TRF

RI or The Rotary Foundation shall pay the expenses of the official participants to the International

Assembly defined below in accordance with the RI Travel and Expense Policy.

1. Official participants for the International Assembly whose expenses are paid by RI include:
  - a) President and spouse
  - b) Aide to the president and spouse
  - c) President-elect and spouse
  - d) Aide to the president-elect and spouse
  - e) President-nominee and spouse
  - f) Aide to the president-nominee and spouse
  - g) Directors and spouses
  - h) Directors-elect and spouses
  - i) General Secretary and spouse
  - j) Governors-elect and spouses
  - k) Moderator and spouse
  - l) Assistant moderator and spouse
  - m) Seminar Trainers and partners
  - n) Training leaders and spouses
  - ~~o) RI Districting Committee~~
  - ~~p) Song leader and spouse\*~~
  - q) First Aid Officer
  - ~~r) Accompanist and spouse\*~~
  - s) Sergeants-at-arms and spouses (including Chief Sergeant-at-arms)
  - t) Convention chairs and spouses (for following two conventions)
  - u) Secretariat staff as the general secretary in consultation with the president and president-elect deem necessary
  - v) Any person assigned by the president-elect to a place on the program of the Assembly, but who is not included in the above list
  - w) Any person approved by the president-elect to attend the assembly in a supporting role as an official participant, in lieu of a spouse.

2. requests the general secretary to change the word "spouse" to "partner" wherever it appears in the Rotary Code of Policies;
3. requests the Trustees to review the official participants to the International Assembly funded by The Rotary Foundation.

### 39. Compensation Advisory Committee Responsibilities

*Statement:* The Operations Review Committee serves as the compensation advisory committee to the Board's Executive Committee. As such, the committee reviews and approves sources of compensation comparability data to be used for the Board's annual "disqualified persons" compensation analysis. The committee also reviews Rotary's current employee compensation

strategy and recommends any necessary changes to the Executive Committee.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. notes that the Operations Review Committee has reviewed and approved the six sources of compensation comparability data to be used for its disqualified persons analysis;
2. notes that the Operations Review Committee confirmed and the Executive Committee reviewed the current employee compensation strategy.

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**40. Additional Directors**

*Statement:* Noting the value the Board obtained from having a member of the Young Past District Governor's Committee attend and participate in Board meetings, Director Cadorette suggested that the Board could benefit in its deliberations by receiving additional input and viewpoints from other underrepresented groups.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. effective 1 July 2020, agrees in principle to the annual appointment of up to three non-voting advisers to the Board, such advisers to attend and participate in all Board meetings;
2. requests the Operations Review Committee, in consultation with the general secretary, to develop a recommended process for selecting these advisers, for report to the Board at its April 2020 meeting;
3. agrees to consider proposing possible legislation to the 2022 Council on Legislation providing for three additional RI directors and requests the Operations Review Committee to recommend the terms, method of selecting, and the rights and privileges these additional directors should possess, for report to the Board at its April 2020 meeting.

**41. Strategic Planning Committee Report**

*Statement:* The Strategic Planning Committee met on 1–2 October 2019 in Evanston, IL, USA, and reviewed reports from various working groups, including one that studied the possibility of narrowing Rotary's programs and offerings, one that reviewed communications and messaging regarding the strategic plan, and one that looked into committee structures. The committee also discussed first-year initiative update on the programs of

scale, the global membership model, a business process review, and governance reform activities, an upcoming triennial survey on the strategic plan, and the partnership with Toastmasters, among other topics.

**DECISION:** The Board thanks the Strategic Planning Committee for its report.

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**Shaping Rotary's Future Committee Report**  
Meeting 21–23 August 2019 in Evanston, IL, USA

**42. Volunteer Model**

*Statement:* The Shaping Rotary's Future Committee discussed several new structural model possibilities for Rotary International as developed by working groups of senior Rotary leaders, senior Secretariat staff, and select Rotarians. The committee presented a possible model comprising the best aspects of these models to the Board, including a draft implementation plan, timeline, and details on how the ultimate model will be developed. The committee also discussed strategies for advancing women in Rotary leadership positions. President Maloney suggested that information from breakout session on advancing women in Rotary leadership at the Hamburg convention be further reviewed.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. thanks the Shaping Rotary's Future Committee for its report;
2. requests the Shaping Rotary's Future Committee to further develop the proposed structural model for report to the Board at its January 2020 meeting;
3. refers the report the Board received consisting of a consolidated list of recommendations from a breakout session at the 2019 RI Convention in Hamburg on advancing women in Rotary leadership to the Operations Review Committee for review and report to the Board at its April 2020 meeting.

**43. Nominating Committee for President**

*Statement:* The Shaping Rotary's Future Committee discussed how the process for nominating the RI president must be of the highest ethical standards and, therefore, recommended several process improvements to ensure integrity of the process and to provide deterrence and sanctions for unethical behavior. The Board discussed how it had received other proposals for improving the process and that a final proposal could

benefit from taking these additional recommendations into consideration.

**DECISION:** The Board requests the Shaping Rotary's Future Committee to review the recommendations submitted by the 2019 Nominating Committee for President, Past Director Karen Wentz, and Past Director Allan Jagger, to reconcile these recommendations with those of the Shaping Rotary's Future Committee, and to develop a comprehensive recommendation of suggested procedures for the functioning of the Nominating Committee for President, for report to the Board at its April 2020 meeting.

#### 44. District Roles Clarifications

*Statement:* The Shaping Rotary's Future Committee reviewed proposed Code of Policies amendments that would clarify the roles and responsibilities of various district positions.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. amends Rotary Code of Policies to eliminate unnecessary sections and streamline language related to various Rotary role descriptions, as shown in Appendix F;
2. requests the Trustees to make corresponding changes to The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies.

#### 45. Intercountry Committees

*Statement:* The Shaping Rotary's Future Committee reviewed proposed Code of Policies amendments regarding Intercountry Committees (ICC) that would simply the ICC structure, clarify the function of the ICC Executive Council, and facilitate greater participation by Rotarians in ICCs.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. amends the Rotary Code of Policies regarding Intercountry Committees, as shown in Appendix G;
2. requests those districts and countries currently participating in Intercountry Committees to transition to the new leadership structure by 1 July 2020.

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#### 46. Joint Committee on Partnerships Report

*Statement:* The Joint Committee on Partnership met on 26–27 August 2019 in Evanston, IL, USA, and discussed a potential partnership with Global Partnership for Education, the potential establishment of a new Rotary program designation: Rotary Endorsed Programs, updates on the new programs of scale grant type, the RI/USAID partnership, the Institute for Economics and Peace partnership, the status of collaborating organizations, service and project partner updates, corporate cultivation, and efforts at developing new partnerships, among other topics.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. thanks the Joint Committee on Partnerships for its report;
2. approves the pilot partnership concept with the Global Partnership for Education and requests the general secretary to execute a memorandum of understanding with the Global Partnership for Education from 1 January 2020 through 31 December 2022;
3. defers consideration of a new program designation: "Rotary Endorsed Programs" to its April 2020 meeting and requests the general secretary to consider research on scaling global grants and its intersection with Rotary-endorsed programs.

#### 47. Resource Partnership Opportunity

*Statement:* The general secretary reported on the opportunity to establish a new resource partnership that would work to improve nutrition among children under five in a yet to be determined sub-Saharan Africa country.

**DECISION:** The Board agrees to a resource partnership with The Eleanor Crook Foundation that would involve a nutrition initiative in a sub-Saharan Africa country subject to approval by the Trustees\*.

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*\*Note: The Trustees approved this resource partnership at their October meeting.*

#### 48. Adult Harassment Policy Review

*Statement:* In decision 119, January 2019, the Board approved a new adult harassment policy that defined what constitutes harassment and provided a process for

handling harassment allegations and for ensuring compliance. Since then, Rotary clubs and districts and the general secretary have processed multiple allegations. After working with this new process, several improvements and clarifications had been suggested, including providing for a clearer distinction between adult harassment and the youth protection policies.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. amends the Rotary Code of Policies regarding adult harassment as shown in Appendix H and requests the general secretary to update the adult harassment on-line learning module accordingly;
2. requests the general secretary to provide an update on the status of this policy implementation at its October 2020 meeting.

#### **49. Elections at the International Convention**

*Statement:* The 2019 Council on Legislation adopted legislation providing that elections of RI and RIBI officers at the annual Rotary convention are not necessary if the Board has determined that these selections have been made in accordance with the RI Bylaws. The general secretary suggested that the Board consider taking a decision stating that the elections are not needed at future conventions unless the Board decides otherwise.

**DECISION:** The Board, consistent with RI Bylaws section 6.010., which provides that no election of officers is necessary at the annual convention if the Board determines that the selection of the officers has otherwise been completed in accordance with the bylaws, agrees that there shall be an ongoing presumption that officer selections have been completed in accordance with the RI Bylaws, unless otherwise determined by the Board as to the selection of a particular officer.

#### **50. Nominating Committee for President Report**

*Statement:* The 2019–20 Nominating Committee for President suggested the Board consider improvements to the Nominating Committee’s procedures to limit the number of in-person candidate interviews the committee conducts. The Board noted that in decision 44 of these minutes, it had requested the Shaping Rotary’s Future Committee to reconcile its own suggested amendments to the Nominating Committee’s procedures with the amendments suggested by the Nominating Committee itself to develop comprehensive procedures, for report to the Board at its April 2020 meeting.

**DECISION:** The Board refers the recommended amendment proposed by the 2019–20 Nominating Committee for President to the Shaping Rotary’s Future Committee for review and report to the Board at its April 2020 meeting.

#### **51. Constitution and Bylaws Committee Report**

*Statement:* In decisions 141, and 142 April 2019 the Board requested the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation for possible submission to the 2022 Council on Legislation that would extend RI director terms to three years and provide for the creation of standing committees to be solely within the purview of the RI Board. The Constitution and Bylaws Committee met via correspondence and drafted legislation accordingly for the Board’s consideration.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. agrees to submit to the 2022 Council on Legislation an enactment that would extend RI director terms to three years, as shown in Appendix I;
2. agrees to submit to the 2022 Council on Legislation an enactment that would establish certain RI standing committees and grant the Board discretion in setting these committees’ terms of reference, as shown in Appendix J.

#### **52. Rotary Representative Network**

*Statement:* In decision 147, April 2019, the Board requested the general secretary to report on the process and criteria for selecting members of the Rotary Representatives Network, including the consultative role of local Rotarian leadership, continuity of term, qualification requirements, geographic location, performance evaluation, and succession planning. The general secretary noted that Rotary Code of Policies section 37.020.5. provides for the terms of reference for Rotary’s representatives to the United Nations and Other Organizations. Regarding appointments and succession planning, the general secretary noted that the president-elect appoints or re-appoints Rotary representatives annually and that due to the high-level relationship building done by the representatives, where continuity and consistency are vital, representatives with strong performance records and established connections have been re-appointed for extensive periods. While no standard succession plan exists, representatives and local Rotarian leadership are asked to identify prospective candidates for succession when and where appropriate.

**DECISION:** The Board receives the general secretary's report on the process and criteria for selecting members of the Rotary Representative Network.

### 53. Expense Reimbursement Documentation

*Statement:* The general secretary recommended that the Board amend its spouse travel reimbursements policy to provide that Rotarians who do not submit—when required—a “Document of Reimbursable Activities of Spouse” form to the Secretariat, shall not be funded for future RI travel assignments.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. amends the Rotary Code of Policies regarding spouse travel reimbursements to clarify that RI will not fund future travel of a Rotarian until they have fulfilled the requirements of the RI Policy Regarding Spouse Travel Expense Reimbursements, as shown below:

69.020.11. Spouse Travel Reimbursements

The Board has adopted the RI Policy Regarding Spouse Travel Expense Reimbursements. Under this policy, Rotary will reimburse Rotary spouse travel only if the function of the travel serves a bona fide business purpose for Rotary International and the amounts requested for reimbursement are substantiated by utilizing a RI “Document of Reimbursable Activities of Spouse.” Rotarians and spouses who fail to fulfill these requirements shall not be reimbursed by RI for any expenses associated with the travel and shall return to RI all amounts paid to them or on their behalf to RI in connection with the travel. Rotarians shall not be funded by RI for future travel until these requirements are fulfilled. Persons who travel at RI expense may be subject to income taxes on the value of the travel if the travel is not for a bona fide business purpose for RI.

2. requests the Trustees to make corresponding amendments to the Rotary Foundation Code of Policies for Foundation-funded travel.

### 54. Areas of Focus and Environmental Issues

*Statement:* Noting that recent survey results indicate that environmental issues are of increasing importance to Rotarians, Rotaractors, and potential Rotarians, President Maloney suggested that “environment” would make a strong new area of focus for The Rotary Foundation.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. recognizes the results of a recent survey where Rotarians, Rotaractors, alumni, and potential

members identified the issues they considered most important for their “ideal membership organization” to address indicating that the environment ranked among the top five;

2. requests the Trustees to add the environment as a new Area of Focus.

### 55. Leadership Development and Training Committee Report

*Statement:* In decision 142, April, 2019, the Board requested the Leadership and Development and Training Committee to develop a standard template that could be used for planning the International Assembly. The Leadership Development and Training Committee met on 10–11 September in Evanston, IL, USA to develop this template, including a statement of the International Assembly's purpose, the desired outcomes from the training meeting, guidelines for program elements, and a standard schedule for the meeting.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. thanks the Leadership Development and Training Committee for its report;
2. approves the International Assembly guidelines and template as shown in Appendix K.

### 56. Rotaract Committee Report

*Statement:* The Rotaract Committee met on 28 August 2019 in Evanston, IL, USA, and discussed survey results from the Hamburg Rotaract pre-convention, preparations for the Honolulu pre-convention, and Rotaract engagement activities and strategies, among other topics. The committee also held a joint session with the Membership Committee to discuss initiatives to grow Rotary by investing in the next generation of leaders.

**DECISION:** The Board thanks the Rotaract Committee for its report.

### 57. Elevate Rotaract Task Force Report

*Statement:* In decision 11, “July” 2019, the Board established a task force to study how best to administer the 2019 Council on Legislation's enactment to admit Rotaract clubs to RI membership. The task force was charged to advise the Board on a possible Rotaract per capita dues rate, Rotaract participation in Foundation programs, a communications and change management plan for implementing this enactment, necessary

amendments to the Rotary Code of Policies as a result of the enactment, and other matters arising from the change in Rotaract status. The Elevate Rotaract Task Force met on 26–27 August 2019 in Evanston, IL, USA, to thoroughly study all of these issues and made several recommendations to the Board.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. thanks the Elevate Rotaract Task Force for its report;
2. noting that the rights and privileges afforded to Rotaractors as program participants will not be affected, amends the Rotary Code of Policies (effective 1 July 2020) as shown in Appendix L, filed only with the official copy of these minutes, to:
  - a. move Rotaract club policies from Chapter V, Programs, to a revised title for Chapter II, Clubs;
  - b. allow Rotaract clubs to organize without a sponsor;
  - c. allow Rotaract clubs to organize with a Rotaract club sponsor;
  - d. remove the upper age limit of Rotaract but maintain that Rotaract is for young adults;
  - e. strongly encourage Rotary districts to include Rotaractors in every district committee;
3. amends the Standard Rotaract Club Constitution and the Recommended Rotaract Club Bylaws to reflect the Rotary Code changes noted in point 4 above, as shown in Appendix M, effective 1 July 2020;
4. requests the general secretary to review the Rotary Code of Policies to ensure that Rotary clubs and Rotaract clubs are adequately defined throughout;
5. agrees in principle that Rotaractors shall pay per capita dues and requests the Elevate Rotaract Task Force to further research via correspondence an appropriate Rotaractor per capita dues rate, for report at the January 2020 Board meeting;
6. eliminates the US\$50 one-time chartering fee for new Rotaract clubs beginning 1 July 2021, provided that the Rotaract per capita dues system is in place;
7. requests future RI presidents-elect to include Rotaractors in the International Assembly by planning sessions to encourage collaboration between governors-elect and Rotaractors;
8. requests the president to appoint a Rotaractor representative from the Rotaract committee to attend each Board meeting to advise on matters related to Rotaract;
9. requests future RI presidents to consider appointing Rotaractors as advisers to any RI committee;
10. sets the following goals pertaining to Rotaract:
  - a. increase the number of reported Rotaractors by 100 percent by 2022;
  - b. increase the number of reported Rotaractors that join Rotary clubs by 20 percent by 2022;
  - c. increase the number of reported Rotaractors to 1 million by 2029;
11. requests the general secretary to explore developing a mobile app to facilitate Rotary and Rotaract club management and member communications;
12. requests the Trustees to:
  - a. allow Rotaract clubs to be either an international or host sponsor of a global grant beginning 1 July 2022, with the intended outcomes to be:
    - i. increased Foundation ability to successfully execute innovative and sustainable projects by activating qualified, adept, engaged younger professionals;
    - ii. promotion of the Foundation's commitment to increase diversity, equity, and inclusion in Foundation programs;
  - b. request the general secretary to update the Grants Center to allow Rotaract clubs to be formally recognized as a donor or partner on a global grant application, with the intended outcomes to be:
    - i. encouragement of meaningful partnerships between Rotary and Rotaract clubs;
    - ii. recognition of Rotaract clubs as capable partners in carrying out sustainable service and as responsible stewards of Foundation funds;



- iii. acknowledgment that Rotaract clubs will require additional support from Rotary clubs to be more successful.
- c. confirm that no rights or privileges previously afforded to Rotaractors as program participants will be revoked;
- d. encourage regional Rotary Foundation coordinators and district Rotary Foundation coordinators to better engage Rotaractors in training opportunities, fundraising, and support of The Rotary Foundation;
- e. encourage Rotaract clubs to appoint club leaders to support The Rotary Foundation;
- f. encourage Rotary clubs to include Rotaract club leaders in their club Foundation committee;
- g. consider appointing Rotaractor members of the Rotaract Committee to advise the Trustees on matters related to Rotaract;
- h. consider requesting Trustee chairs to appoint a Trustee liaison to the Rotaract Committee and invite the Rotaract Committee to advise the Trustees directly on matters related to The Rotary Foundation.

## 58. Youth Exchange Committee Report

*Statement:* The Youth Exchange Committee met via teleconference on 12 August 2019 to review necessary clarifications to Youth Exchange policy regarding roles and expectations of club and district leaders, consequences for policy noncompliance, and additional safeguards against abuse and harassment. The committee also discussed results from the Youth Exchange Officers preconference in Hamburg and planning for the preconference in Honolulu.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. thanks the Youth Exchange Committee for its report;
2. amends the Rotary Code of Policies to clarify the roles and expectations of club and district leaders, establish clear and fair outcomes for individuals, clubs, and districts that fail to comply with the policies, and include additional safeguards related to abuse and harassment prevention and reporting, as shown in Appendix N.

## 59. Proposed Rotary Fellowships

*Statement:* The general secretary reported receiving an application for a proposed fellowship that seeks to facilitate networking between current and former Rotary Peace Fellows and with Rotary-affiliated entities with the aim of expanding the promotion of peace around the world. While the general secretary approves fellowships on the Board's behalf (and had approved this fellowship) any fellowship that wishes to use the word "Rotary" in its name must obtain Board approval.

**DECISION:** The Board recognizes the proposed Rotary Fellowship: Rotary Peace Fellowship Alumni Association and authorizes the use of the word "Rotary" in this fellowship's name.

## 60. Rotary Community Corps Policy Updates

*Statement:* The general secretary reported that policy regarding the Rotary Community Corps program has not been substantially reviewed since 2010. The general secretary made several policy amendments based on participant and Secretariat feedback and current practice. The policy was also amended to align with Rotary's new strategic priorities.

**DECISION:** The Board amends the Rotary Code of Policies regarding the Rotary Community Corps program, as shown in Appendix O.

## 61. RI Convention Sponsors Approval Policy

*Statement:* Noting that the current Rotary president and the president presiding over a future RI convention may have different objectives for the convention, and since the presiding president directs most of the convention's activities and programs, the general secretary recommended policy amendments to provide that the presiding president (when known) shall review and approve potential convention sponsors.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. recognizes that approving potential sponsors is an important aspect of a presiding convention president's responsibilities;
2. amends Rotary Code of Policies section 37.010. regarding the guidelines for sponsorship of RI meetings, events, projects, and programs and section 57.150.1. regarding solicitation of sponsors for RI conventions to provide that the RI president (when known) who presides over the convention shall be

the solicitor and reviewer of prospective sponsors with the general secretary, as shown in Appendix P;

3. recommends that the Trustees approve corresponding amendments to Rotary Foundation Code of Policies section 60.130;
4. requests the general secretary to make corresponding amendments to the *RI Manual for Conventions*.

## **62. 2021 RI (Taipei) Convention Committee Report**

*Statement:* The 2021 RI (Taipei) Convention Committee met on 14–16 August 2019 in Taipei, Taiwan, and discussed an evaluation summary of the 2019 Hamburg convention, a review of convention stakeholders and their respective responsibilities, convention marketing and promotion plans, convention logo and Rotary marks use, fundraising exemption policy, and the convention program, budget, and logistics, among other topics.

### **DECISION:** The Board

1. receives the draft program of events and activities for the Taipei convention as shown in Appendix Q, filed only with the official copy of these minutes, and authorizes the president-elect, convention chair, vice chair, and general secretary to continue to develop the program with regular reports to the Board;
2. in accordance with Rotary Code of Policies section 57.100.1., approves a budgeted attendance of 25,000 at the Taipei convention, and approves an attendance expectation of 40,000 for marketing purposes;
3. grants an exception to Rotary Code of Policies section 37.010.3. to allow for the consideration of alcoholic beverage company sponsorships for the Taipei convention, with the terms of any sponsorship relationship being subject to any restrictions with respect to use, sale, and marketing of alcoholic beverages in the venue contract(s). If there is a merchandising component to such a sponsorship, whether for give-away or sale, and whether or not for fundraising purposes, then:
  - a. the label on the alcoholic beverage shall not contain the Mark of Excellence,
  - b. requests the general secretary to develop a suitable substitute label design for the approval by the president-elect;
4. requests the Service and Networking Groups Committee to review exceptions provided to Rotary Fellowships as set forth in Rotary Code of Policies section 35.040.4. regarding licensing of for-sale merchandise at the RI convention to assess if the exception is reasonable and necessary in light of policy pertaining to other Rotary Entities, for report at the January 2020 Board meeting;
5. approves the following budget considerations:
  - a. agrees to setting a registration fee between US\$325 to \$350;
  - b. requests that the general secretary further develop the budget in consultation with the convention chair, vice chair, and president-elect, for consideration at the January 2020 Board meeting;
  - c. agrees to the inclusion of the fee category: *1 day only (Saturday)* in the House of Friendship and further agrees to provide for “preconventions only” registration;
6. accepts the proposal of the 12 Taiwan districts (3461, 3462, 3470, 3481, 3482, 3490, 3501, 3502, 3510, 3521, 3522, 3523) to host the 2021 Rotary International Convention on 12–16 June 2021 in Taipei, Taiwan with the Taipei Nangang Exhibition Center (TaiNEX) as the primary venue;
7. agrees that Rotary will provide return transportation support for the Host Hospitality event currently planned by the Host Organization Committee at a single venue for 2,500 participants;
8. requests the general secretary to amend policy to permit future convention committees to solicit alcoholic beverage companies as sponsors subject to restrictions similar to those imposed in point 3 above, for report to the Board at its January 2020 meeting.

## **63. Cities to Bid for the 2026 RI Convention**

*Statement:* Board policy provides that cities that do not meet all of Rotary’s critical criteria to host a Rotary convention (no more than three criteria exemptions), but are otherwise qualified, may bid once every seven years among other cities also requiring exemptions to host the Rotary International convention. The general secretary reported on those cities interested in hosting the 2026 RI Convention but do that not meet the critical criteria.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. requests the general secretary to solicit proposals to host the 2026 Rotary International Convention from the following cities:

Durban, South Africa  
Genova, Italy  
Krakow, Poland  
Manila, Philippines  
Rimini, Italy  
Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt  
Trondheim, Norway

2. requests the general secretary to report on the results of the bid analysis and to recommend two to three cities to be inspected, for report at the June 2020 Board meeting.

**64. My Rotary Profile Enhancement Update**

*Statement:* In decision 115, January 2019, the Board requested the general secretary to provide a progress report on the My Rotary profile enhancement project, which aims to facilitate better project partner connections by offering the functionality on My Rotary for users to identify their skills and to search the database by skill, language, location, and other criteria. The general secretary reported that the project is still in its first phase, addressing performance improvements, mobile device compatibility, clearer navigation, and better search functions. Phase two, which will allow users to indicated expertise and language skills, is under development.

**DECISION:** The Board receives the general secretary's report on the My Rotary profile enhancement.

**65. New Partner to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative**

*Statement:* The International Polio Plus Committee recommended the Board agree to adding the Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance as a sixth partner to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. agrees to add Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, as a sixth partner to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, pursuant to confirmation by the Trustees at their October 2019 meeting;

2. requests the International PolioPlus Committee chair to convey the final decision to members of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative Polio Oversight Board.

*\*Note: The Trustees approved adding Gavi as a sixth partner to the GPEI at their October meeting.*

**66. Membership Trends**

*Statement:* The general secretary annually presents to the Board a report on current membership trends. As of 1 July 2019, Rotary's membership was 1,189,466 Rotarians (down 5,641 members from 2018) and 35,890 clubs (up 2,019 clubs from 2018). The general secretary further reported on membership by zone, membership retention, new club viability, club size, and gender balance and age distribution, among other membership-related data.

**DECISION:** The Board receives the general secretary's report on club membership trends.

**67. Membership Committee Report**

*Statement:* The Membership Committee met on 28–29 August 2019 in Evanston, IL, USA and discussed current membership trends, the Grow Rotary initiative, a report from the Elevate Rotaract task force, results from a membership experience survey, training provided to district membership chairs, a 2020–25 membership operational plan, the Rotary Citation, and challenges with current club naming policy, among other topics. The committee also met jointly with the Rotaract Committee to discuss initiatives to grow Rotary by investing in the next generation of leaders.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. thanks the Membership Committee for its report;
2. agreeing that to grow Rotary is the organization's top internal priority, amends the Rotary Code of Policies to replace section 5.030. (RI Membership Strategic Plan) with the 2020–25 Grow Rotary Membership Plan, as shown in Appendix R;
3. requests that all future RI presidents through 2025 include "growing Rotary" among their emphases;
4. amends Rotary Code of Policies section 32.090.15. as follows:

32.090.15. Service Above Self Awards  
[text omitted]

The general secretary is further authorized to rescind an individual's Service Above Self Award if requested by the nominator and in consultation with the director of the zone, provided the award has not been presented or announced publicly and there are extraordinary circumstances that warrant such action. The general secretary may also rescind the service awards from past recipients provided there are extraordinary circumstances that warrant such action. The general secretary shall notify the president whenever a ~~Service Above Self Award~~ service award is rescinded.

5. requests the Trustees to amend Rotary Foundation Code of Policies section 51.060.5.5. to authorize the general secretary to rescind Foundation awards from past recipients provided there are extraordinary circumstances that warrant such action;
6. eliminates the RI Service Awards Selection Committee, effective 30 June 2020, and transfers the committee's terms of reference to the Membership Committee;
7. requests the Trustees to eliminate the TRF Awards Selection Committee, effective 30 June 2020, and transfer the committee's terms of reference to the Membership Committee;
8. requests the general secretary to design a pilot program whereby clubs may adopt a club name that is not in compliance Board policy, for report at the January 2020 Board meeting.

**68. Young Past District Governors Committee Report**

*Statement:* The Young Past Governors Committee met on 20–21 August 2019 in Evanston, IL, USA, and discussed how its work can intersect and compliment the other RI committees. The committee also had a joint session with the Shaping Rotary's Future Committee to discuss possible new mid-level leadership models.

**DECISION:** The Board thanks the Young Past Governors Committee for its report.

**69. Districting Committee Report**

*Statement:* The Districting Committee met via correspondence in August through October 2019 to discuss

various districting issues, including potential district mergers and splits, a review of exemption requests, and current district with less than 1,100 members.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. acknowledging local district consolidation efforts, agrees to merge District 9670 with District 9650 (Australia), effective 1 July 2021 if District 9670 does not reach 1,100 members by 1 July 2020, this decision to supersede earlier Board action in this regard;
2. agrees to merge Districts 4370 and 4380 (Venezuela), effective 1 July 2021, if both districts do not reach 1,100 members by 1 July 2020, this decision to supersede earlier Board action in this regard;
3. splits District 2100 (Italy) into Districts 2101 and 2102 and moves the Rotary Club of Lauria to District 2120 (Italy), effective 1 July 2021;
4. splits District 9211 (Tanzania, Uganda) into Districts 9213 and 9214, effective 1 July 2022;
5. requests District 7410 (USA–PA) to submit a district consolidation plan by 1 May 2020 to merge with an adjacent district, effective 1 July 2021, this decision to supersede earlier Board action in this regard;
6. acknowledging local district consolidation efforts, agrees to merge Districts 9600 and 9630 (Australia), effective 1 July 2021;
7. acknowledging receipt of a request for exemption, requests District 9910 (New Zealand, part of Pacific Islands) to submit a membership growth action plan and for District 9920 (New Zealand) to submit reasons why they should not be merged to the Districting Committee by 31 December 2019;
8. agrees to merge District 9910 (New Zealand, part of Pacific Islands) and District 9920 (New Zealand) effective 1 July 2024, if either district is below 1,100 members as of 1 July 2023;
9. noting their membership is between 1,100 and 1,199, requests Districts 1430 (Finland), 2320 (Sweden), 4740 (Brazil), 9350 (Angola, Namibia, part of South Africa), and 9465 (Australia) to submit to the Districting Committee a membership development plan by 15 January 2020, and a membership activity report by 1 May 2020.

## 70. Rotary Clubs in the United Arab Emirates

*Statement:* In decision 180, May 2019, the Board received a report on matters of concern regarding Rotary clubs in the United Arab Emirates and requested director Babalola to provide a further update at this meeting. The general secretary reported that a recent visit to the UAE clubs by the Secretariat's general counsel will result in a full report at the January 2020 Board meeting.

*DECISION:* The Board defers to its January 2020 meeting consideration of Director Babalola's report on the status of Rotary clubs in the United Arab Emirates.

## 71. Regional Leader Teams

*Statement:* Director Ket, on behalf of regional leader teams in Germany, suggested that the regional teams structure in Germany would be more effective if it were reduced from two teams to one team.

*DECISION:* The Board

1. combines the two regional leader teams (comprising Rotary Foundation coordinators, Rotary coordinators, Rotary public image coordinators, and endowment/major gifts advisers) that currently support the eighteen districts in Germany, Liechtenstein, and Switzerland into one team, beginning 1 July 2020;
2. offers the members of those two regional leader teams the opportunity to complete their three-year terms and requests the general secretary to
  - a. review this change with the current regional leaders to determine which regional leaders would like to serve out their full appointed term;
  - b. update all references regarding regional leader teams serving the districts in Germany, Liechtenstein, and Switzerland to note just one regional leader team;
3. requests the Trustees to make corresponding changes in the Foundation's regional leader teams structure.

## 72. Rotary in Russia

*Statement:* Past RI Directors Mikael Ahlberg and Dean Rohrs have been providing oversight to pilot District 2220 (Russian Federation) since the Board, in April 2018, merged the non-districted clubs in Siberia and Far Eastern Russia with the district. The general secretary

reported that the costs for this support, including attendance at the Eastern Economic Forum, has surpassed the original budget.

*DECISION:* The Board thanks Past RI Vice President Dean Rohrs and Past RI Treasurer Mikael Ahlberg for their work as co-chairs to the Russian pilot district and approves a 2019–20 budget variance of US\$52,000 to cover costs for their continued support of the pilot district, including ensuring that the strategic plan is followed.

## 73. Electronic Voting Pilot

*Statement:* In decision 183, April 2016, the Board adopted a three-year electronic voting pilot project in South Asia to address the high number of election complaints filed there. Noting the overall success of the pilot (election complaints had been cut in half in the pilot region), the Board, in decision 13, "July" 2019, extended the pilot, requiring all districts in Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka to use electronic voting for district and zone elections whenever a ballot is required through 2021–22. The Board further requested its Administration Committee to review these provisions of electronic voting for possible broader use. The general secretary reported that while the pilot has been successful in the pilot region, making it available throughout the Rotary world may have a significant administrative and financial impact that should be further explored.

*DECISION:* The Board endorses the concept of having an electronic voting option available for district elections and requests the general secretary to further investigate, for report at its January 2020 meeting.

## 74. Finance Committee Report

*Statement:* The RI and TRF Finance Committees met jointly on 16 October 2019 via webinar and discussed the 2018–19 unaudited financials, an accounting standards update, year-to-date financial results, and membership assumptions used for the 2019–20 budget preparations, among other topics.

*DECISION:* The Board

1. thanks the Finance Committee for its report;
2. requests the Finance Committee to review the policies for annual membership assumptions used in preparing the budget and recommend changes to more accurately reflect anticipated dues revenue, for report to the Board at its January 2020 meeting.

## 75. Audit Committee Report

*Statement:* The Audit Committee met on 16–17 October 2019, in Evanston, IL, USA, and discussed recently completed audits, a summary of management action plans, a review of the draft audited financial statements from the external auditor, and the status of Rotary Institutes reporting, among other topics.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. receives the auditors independent report on Rotary International's audited financial results for 2018–19 as presented at this meeting;
2. requests the general secretary to publish an annual report in accordance with the RI Bylaws;
3. reaffirms its decision 199, June 2017, to appoint Deloitte to audit Rotary International's financial statements for fiscal year 2019–20.

## 76. RI Resolutions on Financial Accounts and Services

*Statement:* The RI Resolutions on Financial Accounts and Services delegates authority to specific staff concerning the establishment and operation of Rotary's bank accounts. Recent staffing changes required amendments to the existing resolutions.

**DECISION:** The Board amends the RI Resolution on Financial Accounts and Services, as shown in Appendix S, filed only with the official copy of these minutes.

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## 2019–20 Budget Review

Board-approved budget, 2019–20 (in US dollars)

Revenues:	111,639,000
Expenses:	<u>110,134,000</u>
Change in net assets:	1,505,000
Convention reserves:	1,215,000
GSF funded expenses:	<u>572,000</u>
Net total of revenue and reserve funding over expenses:	<u><u>3,292,000</u></u>

Decisions taken at this meeting impacting current year:

<b>Expenses:</b>	<b><u>2019–20</u></b>
Dec. 72 Rotary in Russia	\$52,000

Decisions taken at this meeting impacting future years:

<b>Revenues:</b>	<b><u>2020–21</u></b>	<b><u>2021–22</u></b>	<b><u>2022–23</u></b>
57. Elevate Rotaract Task Force Report		(63,400)	(65,300)
<b>Expenses:</b>	<b><u>2020–21</u></b>	<b><u>2021–22</u></b>	<b><u>2022–23</u></b>
31. 2020-21 RI Comm. Structure	(34,000)	(34,000)	(34,000)
57. Elevate Rotaract Task Force Report	247,500	255,007	262,527
<b>Total:</b>	<b>213,500</b>	<b>221,007</b>	<b>228,527</b>

## Adjournment

The foregoing is a true record of the proceedings at the October 2019 Rotary International Board meeting.

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Mark Daniel Maloney  
President

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Andrew McDonald  
Secretary of the Meeting

## ATTEST:

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John Hewko  
General Secretary, RI

## APPENDIX A

### RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE PRESIDENT (Decision 17)

#### 1. Waiver of Qualifications for Governor-nominee

*Statement:* Under the Board's terms of delegation of authority (Rotary Code of Policies section 27.040), the president is authorized to act on the Board's behalf in excusing a Rotarian from the qualifications for a district governor or governor-nominee specified in the RI Bylaws.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 16.010. or 16.020, excuses the following Rotarians from the qualifications for a governor or governor-nominee:

President Rassin 5 March–30 June 2019

<u>Rotarian Name</u>	<u>Club Name</u>	<u>District</u>
Ásdís Helga Bjarnadóttir	Egilsstaðir, Iceland	1360
Jane Mejlbj Buhl-Olsen	Aarhus Sydvestre, Denmark	1450
Lucien Lumbroso	Grenoble-Belledonne, Isère, France	1780
Anna Mohlén Lauridsen	Falsterbo-Skytts, Sweden	2340

President Maloney 1 July–6 September 2019

<u>Rotarian Name</u>	<u>Club Name</u>	<u>District</u>
Ichiro Kuwazawa	Chino, Japan	2600

#### 2. Vacancy in the Office of Governor or Governor-elect

*Statement:* Under the Board's terms of delegation of authority (Rotary Code of Policies section 27.040), the president is authorized to act on the Board's behalf in electing a Rotarian to fill a vacancy in the office of governor or governor-elect where such action is required by the RI Bylaws. The Board has requested the president to consult with the current director where the vacancy has occurred before making the selection.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 12.090. or 16.060. appoints the following Rotarians to serve as governor or governor-elect in their district, assuming all authority and responsibilities of the office:

<u>Rotarian Name</u>	<u>Club Name</u>	<u>District</u>
Gudde Södergren	Maribo-Rødby, Denmark	1480

#### 3. Appointment of Member to the 2019–20 Nominating Committee for President from Zone 21

*Statement:* RI Bylaws section 10.030.1. requires that those past directors who wish to be considered for membership on the Nominating Committee for President must advise the general secretary before 15 April. As of that date, the general secretary had not been notified of any potential candidate from Zone 21. RI Bylaws section 10.020.5. provides that where there is no past director available for election or appointment from a particular zone, "a past governor shall be eligible for such election or appointment provided that such past governor has served for at least one year as a member of a committee provided for in Article 17 or as a trustee of The Rotary Foundation. Past Governor Bernhard Baumgartner from the Rotary Club of Kitzbühel, Austria has indicated his willingness to serve on this committee.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, appoints Past Governor Bernhard Baumgartner from the Rotary Club of Kitzbühel, Austria as the member of the 2019–20 Nominating Committee for President from Zone 21.

## APPENDIX B

### RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE GENERAL SECRETARY (Decision 18)

*Statement:* The general secretary reported that, in accordance with instruction and authorization from the Board, he made the following decisions on behalf of the Board during the period 7 May 2019 through 6 September 2019.

#### 1. Admission of Clubs

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may approve provisional clubs' applications for membership in RI in accordance with established procedure and policy.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, approves admission of the following Rotary clubs to membership in RI:

##### Zone 1

Chattogram Harbour, Bangladesh  
Chittagong Green View, Bangladesh  
Chittagong Hill City, Bangladesh  
Chittagong Peace, Bangladesh  
Chittagong Victory, Bangladesh  
Cumilla Shine, Bangladesh  
Dhaka Pallabi, Bangladesh  
Dhaka Udayan, Bangladesh  
Greater Cumilla, Bangladesh  
Gulshan Tigers, Bangladesh  
Karachi Coastal City, Sindh, Pakistan  
Lahore Corporate, Punjab, Pakistan  
Lahore Royals, Punjab, Pakistan  
Narsingdi City, Bangladesh  
Pakpattan Sharif City, Punjab, Pakistan  
Palu, Indonesia  
Surabaya Persada, Indonesia  
Sylhet Tea City, Bangladesh

##### Zone 2

E-Club of Ibaraki, Ibaraki, Japan

##### Zone 3

Kagoshima Reiwa, Kagoshima, Japan

##### Zone 4

Amritsar Rising, Punjab, India  
Barara, Haryana, India  
Bhiwani DOWNTOWN, Haryana, India  
Delhi Down Town, Delhi, India  
Delhi Elite, Delhi, India  
Delhi Khubsurat, Delhi, India  
Delhi Okhla City, Delhi, India  
Delhi Youth, Delhi, India  
Dharamkot Stars, Punjab, India

##### Zone 4 (cont.)

Dharamshala City, Himachal Pradesh, India  
Dombivli Diamonds, Maharashtra, India  
Faridabad Tulips, Haryana, India  
Ghaziabad Classic, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Ghaziabad Pride, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Indore United, Madhya Pradesh, India  
Indore Vinayakam, Madhya Pradesh, India  
Jammu Trikuta, Jammu & Kashmir, India  
Karnal Central, Haryana, India  
Kashmir, Jammu & Kashmir, India  
Kota Divine, Rajasthan, India  
Ludhiana Pink, Punjab, India  
Merta Meera, Rajasthan, India  
Mumbai Champions, Maharashtra, India  
Mumbai Kanjurmarg, Maharashtra, India  
Mumbai Lower Parel, Maharashtra, India  
Mumbai Wadala East, Maharashtra, India  
Mumbai West End, Maharashtra, India  
Mumbai Worldwide, Maharashtra, India  
Navi Mumbai APMC, Maharashtra, India  
Palwal Sanskar, Haryana, India  
Thane Aces, Maharashtra, India  
Thane Perfects, Maharashtra, India  
Vasai, Maharashtra, India  
Virar, Maharashtra, India  
Zirakpur, Punjab, India

##### Zone 5

Chennai Amethyst, Tamil Nadu, India  
Chennai Harmony, Tamil Nadu, India  
Chennai Kotturpuram, Tamil Nadu, India  
Chennai Metrozone, Tamil Nadu, India  
Chennai North, Tamil Nadu, India  
Chennai South, Tamil Nadu, India  
Chennai Trident, Tamil Nadu, India  
Cochin Lakeside, Kerala, India  
Coimbatore Meridian, Tamil Nadu, India  
Desur, Tamil Nadu, India  
Gampaha, Western Province, Sri Lanka  
Kanchi Infinity, Tamil Nadu, India  
Kunnicoode Royals, Kerala, India  
Mannar, Sri Lanka  
Nagercoil Royals, Tamil Nadu, India  
Tirupur Anandham, Tamil Nadu, India  
Trichy DownTown, Tamil Nadu, India  
Trichy Heritage, Tamil Nadu, India  
Trichy Periyar Arch, Tamil Nadu, India  
Trivandrum Metropolis, Kerala, India  
Vellore Bagayam, Tamil Nadu, India  
Vellore Sathuvachari, Tamil Nadu, India  
Vellore Sun City, Tamil Nadu, India



#### **Zone 6**

Agra Sapphire, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Aligarh Aura, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Aligarh Platinum, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Azimabad Patna, Bihar, India  
Bahjoi Sambhal, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Bareilly Friends, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Bareilly Industrial, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Bareilly Smart City, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Bareilly Vision, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Bareilly Youngsters, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Bhilai Pinnacle, Chhattisgarh, India  
Bilaspur Royal, Chhattisgarh, India  
Boudha, Nepal  
Burtibang Dhorpatan, Nepal  
Calcutta Diamond, West Bengal, India  
Calcutta Newtown Circle, West Bengal, India  
Calcutta South Circle, West Bengal, India  
Hariharpara Murshidabad, West Bengal, India  
Hathras Diamond, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Hathras Icon, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Hathras Platinum, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Jajpur Road, Odisha, India  
Kashipur Industrial, Uttarakhand, India  
Kolkata Temple City, West Bengal, India  
Kuchinda Greater, Odisha, India  
Kushinagar, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Lucknow Prime, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Maharajganj, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Majhola Pilibhit, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Mathura Gokul, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Myagdi, Nepal  
Pilibhit Tigers, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Puri Sagar, Odisha, India  
Raipur Socials, Chhattisgarh, India  
Sakhi Shahjahanpur City, Uttar Pradesh, India  
Shillong Heritage, Meghalaya, India  
Sindri, Jharkhand, India  
Subarnnarekha Raibania, Odisha, India

#### **Zone 7**

Ahmednagar Integrity, Maharashtra, India  
Akiwat, Maharashtra, India  
Alair, Telangana, India  
Bangalore Oasis, Karnataka, India  
Gulbarga Sakhi, Karnataka, India  
Hyderabad Elite, Telangana, India  
Karwar Paschim, Karnataka, India  
Kolhapur Evolve, Maharashtra, India  
Malleshwara Alur Siddapura, Karnataka, India  
Pernem, Goa, India  
Pune Symphony, Maharashtra, India  
Sangama Kudige, Karnataka, India  
Siripuri Proddatur, Andhra Pradesh, India  
Uppal, Telangana, India  
Varkute Pomegranate Village, Maharashtra, India

#### **Zone 8**

Brisbane Water, New South Wales, Australia  
Gold Coast Passport, Queensland, Australia  
Macedon Ranges, Victoria, Australia  
Tarawa, Kiribati

#### **Zone 9**

Ability Hong Kong, Hong Kong  
Baruunzam, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia  
Beijing East, People's Republic of China  
Chongqing Mandarin, People's Republic of China  
Feng Xin, Taiwan  
Hemei, Taiwan  
Hong Kong North Point, Hong Kong  
Kunming, People's Republic of China  
Kwai Tsing, Hong Kong  
Miao-Li Tung Flower, Taiwan  
Neoteric Hong Kong, Hong Kong  
Puxin, Taiwan  
Taipei Chang Qing, Taiwan  
Taipei Da Shih Dai, Taiwan  
Taipei Financial, Taiwan  
Taipei Nanpo, Taiwan  
Taipei Silicon Valley, Taiwan  
Taipei Tagala, Taipei, Taiwan  
Taipei West Town, Taiwan  
Taipei Wonder Food, Taiwan  
Taoyuan Zhide, Taiwan

#### **Zone 10**

Alabang Corporate Centre, Muntinlupa City, Philippines  
Baguio Highlands, Benguet, Philippines  
Bandar Penggaram Mandarin, Malaysia  
Bangkok First, Thailand  
Binalbagan-East, Negros Occidental, Philippines  
Bukit Bendera, Malaysia  
El Nido, Palawan, Philippines  
Klang Valley, Malaysia  
Las Pinas Moonwalk, Las Pinas City, Philippines  
Las Piñas Uptown, Las Piñas City, Philippines  
Legazpi North, Albay, Philippines  
Makati HV Dela Costa, Makati City, Philippines  
Muntinlupa Pearls, Muntinlupa City, Philippines  
Panay 18, Quezon City, Philippines  
Phnom Penh Central, Cambodia  
Puerto Princesa Uptown, Palawan, Philippines  
San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, Philippines  
Tondo Metro, Manila, Philippines  
Uptown Butuan, Agusan del Norte, Philippines

#### **Zone 11**

Anseong Jukju, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of  
Boryeong, Chungcheongnam, Korea, Republic of  
Goyang Garosu, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of  
Hongcheon Huimang, Gangwon, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Chungjahwa, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Haesi, Seoul, Korea, Republic of

**Zone 11 (cont.)**

Seoul Happy Senior Planners, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Heart, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul HYLC, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Inyeji, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Kook-An, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Myungryun, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Oi-Kyung, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Seolbong, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Unkwangmoon, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Young Leaders Musical, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Young Leaders Press, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Yunsungjae, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Yunyunkeuk, Seoul, Korea, Republic of  
Seoul Yuseng, Seoul, Korea, Republic of

**Zone 12**

Daegu-Eunsong, Daegu, Korea, Republic of  
Daejeon Deamyung, Daejeon, Korea, Republic of  
Gwangju Haeyul, Gwangju, Korea, Republic of  
Jeonju-Huimang, Jeonrabug, Korea, Republic of  
Naju Ewha, Jeonranam, Korea, Republic of  
Ulsan Thenew, Ulsan, Korea, Republic of

**Zone 13**

Cancale Pays de la Baie, Ille-et-Vilaine, France  
Merelbeke-Melle, Belgium  
Paris 20ème Service & Industrie, France  
Paris International, France (E-club of)  
Pau Pyrénées, Pyrénées-Atlantiques, France  
Roeselare RSL, Belgium  
Tours Plumereau, Indre-et-Loire, France

**Zone 14**

Cirò, Italy  
E-Club of Calabria International, Italy  
E-club of Millennials D2050, Italy  
Melito di Porto Salvo "Area Greca - Capo Sud", Italy  
Novara Antonelli, Italy  
Riccione Perla Verde, Italy  
Rocca Imperiale Calabria Nord-Est, Italy  
San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy  
Scicli, Italy  
Terra di San Marco - Orio al Serio, Italy  
Torre Annunziata Oplonti, Italy

**Zone 15**

Hagen im Bremischen, Germany  
Osnabrück Friedensreiter, Germany

**Zone 16**

Schwabach, Germany

**Zone 17**

Jurmala Phoenix, Latvia

**Zone 18**

Vilnius Lituanica International, Lithuania

**Zone 19**

Garth, Wales  
Woburn Sands & District, England

**Zone 20**

Bideford Tarka, England  
Billericay Town, Essex, England  
Calafell - Baix Penedès, Spain  
Castelldefels, Spain  
San Vicente Universidad, Spain  
Sevilla Cartuja, Spain  
Tarragona-Amistad Hispano-Marroquí, Spain

**Zone 21**

Anamur, Turkey  
Arandjelovac, Republic of Serbia  
Ashkelon Tzavta, Israel  
Baghdad, Iraq  
Belgrade Foreigners and Visitors, Republic of Serbia  
Beograd Passport, Republic of Serbia  
Bucuresti Excelsior, Romania  
Cluj-Napoca Hoia, Romania  
Eskişehir Gordion, Turkey  
Fujairah, United Arab Emirates  
Gagauzia, Moldova  
Istanbul Ispartakule, Turkey  
Istanbul Sultanahmet International, Turkey  
Kamenica, Kosovo  
Kifissia-Kastri, Greece  
Osmaniye, Turkey  
Pardes Hanna - Karkur, Israel  
Prešov-Šariš, Slovakia  
Salzburg International, Austria  
Soroca, Republica Moldova  
Suceava Cetate, Romania  
Yesod Hama'ala - Galil, Israel

**Zone 22**

9th Mile Corner, Enugu State, Nigeria  
Alger Cosmopolitan, Algeria  
Alger Méditerranée, Algeria  
Algiers Mosaic, Algeria  
Allada, Benin  
Antananarivo Maroloko, Madagascar  
Arusha Clock Tower, Tanzania  
Bukoba-Uhuru Kagera, Tanzania  
Bungoma Magharibi, Kenya  
Cairo Kings Valley, Egypt  
Cairo Platinum, Egypt  
Dar es Salaam Peninsula, Tanzania  
Djerba, Tunisia  
Enugu Government House, Enugu State, Nigeria  
Gabes-Avenir, Tunisia  
Ibadan Ologuneru, Oyo State, Nigeria  
Ijebu Igbo Metropolitan, Ogun State, Nigeria  
Ikeja Airport, Lagos State, Nigeria  
Karatu, Tanzania  
Kasindi, Democratic Republic of the Congo

**Zone 22 (cont.)**

Kindu-Centre, Democratic Republic of the Congo  
Kiwenda, Uganda  
Lusaka Midtown, Zambia  
Lusaka-Tukunka, Zambia  
Mahdia Cap Afrique, Tunisia  
Maradi, Niger  
Marrakech Atlas, Morocco  
Masaki, Tanzania  
Mgahinga Kisoro, Uganda  
Muyenga Tank-Hill, Uganda  
Nafta-El Baya, Tunisia  
Ng'ambo Moshi, Tanzania  
Ngwo, Enugu State, Nigeria  
Ongata Rongai East, Kenya  
Onitsha Royal, Anambra State, Nigeria  
Oran Santa Cruz, Algeria  
Rabat Ryad, Morocco  
Salé Bab Lamrissa, Morocco  
Sfax-Avenir, Tunisia  
Sheikh Zayed-Sodic West, Egypt  
Tunis Golfe NG Challenge, Tunisia

**Zone 23**

Ariquepay – Arequipa, Arequipa, Peru  
Asiri Lima, Lima, Peru  
Cacequi-Terra dos Caciques, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil  
Canela-Inspiração, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil  
Chapecó-Centro, Santa Catarina, Brazil  
Cidreira-Novo Amanhecer, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil  
E-Club of Distrito 4740-Inspiração  
Humanidad en Los Andes - Huaraz, Ancash, Peru  
Ijuí-Tradição, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil  
La Paz-Illimani, La Paz, Bolivia  
Nueva Era Cusco, Cusco, Peru  
Nuevo Chimbote, Ancash, Peru  
Pelotas-Integração, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil  
Rosário do Sul-Areias Brancas, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil  
São Marcos-Inspiração, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil  
Sauce Jeré, Corrientes, Argentina  
União da Vitória-São Cristóvão, Paraná, Brazil  
Veranópolis-Inspiração, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil

**Zone 24**

Formiga-Areias Brancas Oeste, São Paulo, Brazil  
Formosa-Itiquira, Goiás, Brazil  
Fortaleza-Terra da Luz, Ceará, Brazil  
Franca-Capital do Calçado, São Paulo, Brazil  
Itumbiara-Beira Rio, Goiás, Brazil  
Minaçu-Serra da Mesa, Goiás, Brazil  
Paraibano, Maranhão, Brazil  
Porto da Folha, Sergipe, Brazil  
Santarém-Pérola do Tapajós, Pará, Brazil  
Senador Guimard, Acre, Brazil  
Vianópolis, Goiás, Brazil

**Zone 25**

Bocas del Toro, Panama  
Chihuahua Chuvíscar, Chihuahua, Mexico  
District 5840 Passport, San Antonio, Texas, USA  
E-Club District 5790 International Exchange, Texas, USA  
Empresarial Acuña, Coahuila, Mexico  
Juárez Empeñe, Chihuahua, Mexico  
León Bajío, Guanajuato, Mexico  
Marte México Unido, Mexico City, Mexico  
Nogales Bellotoso, Sonora, Mexico  
Sopó, Cundinamarca, Colombia  
Valle de México, CDMX, Mexico  
Villa Montellano, Puerto Plata, Dominican Republic  
Villa Riva, Duarte, Dominican Republic

**Zone 26**

Desert Hot Springs - Valle De Coachella, California, USA  
Gilroy After Hours, California, USA  
Kaka'ako Eco, Hawaii, USA  
Silicon Valley, California, USA

**Zone 27**

Columbia River Passport, Idaho, USA  
Crossroads of Kitsap County, Washington, USA  
District 5080 Passport, Idaho, USA  
Oakley, California, USA  
Park City Twilight, Utah, USA  
Peninsula Starlight-San Mateo County, California, USA

**Zone 28**

YEG Passport in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

**Zone 31**

DeQuincy, Louisiana, USA  
Friends of Scott-Shiloh, IL, USA  
IMPACT Columbia, Missouri, USA  
Little Rock Afterhours, Arkansas, USA  
Steeleville, Illinois, USA

**Zone 32**

District 7255 Passport, Long Island, NY, USA  
Kearny Sunset, New Jersey, USA  
New Voices District 7780, New Hampshire, USA

**Zone 33**

Indian Land Lunch, South Carolina, USA  
New Market, Maryland, USA  
Surf City, North Carolina, USA

**Zone 34**

Camp-Perrin, Haiti  
Grand Bahama, Grand Bahama Island, Bahamas  
Horizon West, Florida, USA  
Key Largo Sunset, Florida, USA  
Lakeland TigerTown, Florida, USA  
Ocala Brick City, Florida, USA  
Siesta Key, Florida, USA  
The Villages Sunset South, Florida, USA

## 2. Amendment of Club Constitution – Change in Name of Clubs

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may amend a club constitution to change the name of the club.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, approves an amendment to the following clubs' constitution whereby the names of the clubs are changed as follows:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Agargaon Dhaka, Bangladesh	Dhaka Abani, Bangladesh	E-Club of Seoul Foto, Seoul, Korea, Republic of	Seoul Young Leaders Bridge, Seoul, Korea, Republic of
Amtala, West Bengal, India	Ankur Kolkata, West Bengal, India	Ferndown, Dorset, England	Ferndown & Parley, Dorset, England
Avranches, Manche, France	Avranches Mont Saint Michel, Manche, France	Flórida-Lobato, Paraná, Brazil	Flórida, Paraná, Brazil
Bangkok First, Thailand	Bangkok Central, Thailand	Fort Mohave Sunrise, Arizona, USA	Mohave Sunrise, Arizona, USA
Bartram Trail-Jacksonville, Florida, USA	Bartram Trail - Julington Creek, Florida, USA	Gimpo Woman, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of	Gimpo Geumbit, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of
Basse Terre Fort Saint Charles, Guadeloupe	Pont de l'Alliance, Guadeloupe	Hwaseong Ladies, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of	Hwaseong Angel, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of
Big Pine & Lower Keys, Florida, USA	The Lower Keys, Florida, USA	Jeju Baeknyeondo, Jeju, Korea, Republic of	Jeju Angel, Jeju, Korea, Republic of
Busan Sinoryun, Busan, Korea, Republic of	Busan-Baekyangsan, Busan, Korea, Republic of	Jeonju Leaders Woman, Jeonrabug, Korea, Republic of	Jeonju Leaders, Jeonrabug, Korea, Republic of
Cefalù, Italy	Cefalù-Madonie, Italy	Kampala City-Makerere, Uganda	Makerere Rainbow Kampala, Uganda
Changhua Genesis, Taiwan	Yuanlin Genesis, Taiwan	Kupang Timor Raya, Indonesia	Kupang Central, Indonesia
Chennai North, Tamil Nadu, India	Chennai Legacy, Tamil Nadu, India	Kyongsan Queens, Gyeongsangbug, Korea, Republic of	Gyeongsan Quinze, Gyeongsangbug, Korea, Republic of
Chennai South, Tamil Nadu, India	Chennai Sagar, Tamil Nadu, India	Lake/Green, Ohio, USA	Lake Township, Ohio, USA
Daegu Womanlife, Daegu, Korea, Republic of	Daegu Life, Daegu, Korea, Republic of	Lamentin Cœur Caraïbes, Martinique	Cœur Caraïbes (Lamentin), Martinique
Daejeon Deamyung, Daejeon, Korea, Republic of	Daejeon Daemyung, Daejeon, Korea, Republic of	Legaspi West, Albay, Philippines	Legazpi West, Albay, Philippines
Dallas North, Texas, USA	Preston Hollow, Texas, USA	Leiden Oost, The Netherlands	Leiden de Burcht, The Netherlands
Dongtan Shindosi, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of	Dongtan, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of	Lexington Sunrise, Kentucky, USA	Lexington After Hours, Kentucky, USA
Dongtan, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of	Dongtan Star, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of	Llangollen Dee Valley, Clwyd, Wales	Hawarden Dee Valley, Clwyd, Wales
Duwamish Southside, Washington, USA	Bellevue Eastside, Washington, USA	Miami Dadeland-Pinecrest, Florida, USA	Rotary Club of Pinecrest, Florida, USA
E-Club del Uruguay D4970, Montevideo, Uruguay	E-Club 4970, Montevideo, Uruguay	Middletown-Odessa, Delaware, USA	Middletown-Odessa-Townsend, Delaware, USA
E-Club of Belgium 1, Belgium	E-Club of Belgium 1 Passport, Belgium	Muggia, Italy	Trieste Alto Adriatico, Italy
E-Club of District 7300, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA	E-Club of District 7305, Pennsylvania, USA	New Kent County, Virginia, USA	New Kent, Virginia, USA
E-Club of District 7530, West Virginia, USA	E-Club of District 7545, West Virginia, USA	Nugegoda, Sri Lanka	PanColombo, Sri Lanka
E-Club of Kanagawa 2780, Kanagawa, Japan	Arcus Shonan, Kanagawa, Japan	Oakhurst Sierra Sunrise, California, USA	Oakhurst Sunrise
		Osan Woojin, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of	Osan Mulhyanggi, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of
		Osnabrück Friedensreiter, Germany	Friedensstadt Osnabrück, Germany
		Pallanza-Stresa, Italy	Pallanza-Stresa del Verbano-Cusio-Ossola, Italy
		Richland Township (Johnstown), Pennsylvania, USA	Johnstown Sunset, Pennsylvania, USA
		Roquebrune-sur-Argens-Le Rocher, Var, France	Roquebrune-sur-Argens / Puget sur Argens "Le Rocher", Var, France

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
San Pedro Huaquilpan (Valle de San Javier), Hidalgo, Mexico	Valle de San Javier, Hidalgo, Mexico
Seawoods Grand Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India	Navi Mumbai Grand, Maharashtra, India
Sendhwa Town, Madhya Pradesh, India	Sendhwa, Madhya Pradesh, India
Sherrill, New York, USA	Vernon-Verona-Sherrill Community, New York, USA
Southern Midlands, Tasmania, Australia	Tasmania Passport, Tasmania, Australia
St. George, Quebec, Canada	St-Georges, Quebec, Canada
Swansea Valley, Wales	Cwmtawe, Wales
Taipei Chang Qing, Taiwan	Taipei Chang Ching, Taiwan
Taliparamba Town, Kerala, India	Taliparamba, Kerala, India
Thane Harbour, Maharashtra, India	Thane Royales, Maharashtra, India
The Greater Heights of Cleveland, Ohio, USA	The Heights of Greater Cleveland, Ohio, USA
Tucumán Ciudadela y Noroeste, Tucumán, Argentina	Jardín del Tucumán, Tucumán, Argentina
Vernon, Eure, France	Vernon-Giverny, Eure, France
Walsum/Niederrhein, Germany	Dinslaken-Walsum, Germany
Walworth-Fonata, Wisconsin, USA	Geneva Lake West, Wisconsin, USA

### 3. Amendment of Club Constitution – Change in Locality

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may approve requests from clubs to amend Article 4 of the club constitution to revise club locality.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, approves amendments to the constitution of the following Rotary clubs, thereby revising their localities:

Ankur Kolkata, West Bengal, India  
Bellevue Eastside, Washington, USA  
Dinslaken-Walsum, Germany  
Jacksonville, Florida, USA  
Miami Dadeland-Pinecrest, Florida, USA  
PanColombo, Sri Lanka  
Sendhwa, Madhya Pradesh, India  
Southern Midlands, Tasmania, Australia  
Trichy Fortune Wings, India  
Trieste Alto Adriatico, Italy  
Valsesia, Italy  
Walworth-Fonata, Wisconsin, USA

### 4. Extension of Deadline for District Governor Allocation Expense Report

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf may, in accordance with Rotary Code of Policies section 32.060.9., approve an extension of the deadline for receipt of a district governor allocation expense report.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, extends the deadline for receipt of expense reports from district governors documenting the use of their Rotary funding to no later than 30 September.

<u>District</u>	<u>Governor</u>
1461	Lars Christian Prytz
1620	Gilbert Denys
1700	Joëlle Cramoix
1780	Christophe Vignon
1910	Ismail Sadek
1912	Janez Lipec
1970	Joaquim Branco
1990	Christian Colquhoun
2000	Markus Hauser
2060	Riccardo De Paola
2080	Patrizia Cardone
2090	Gabrio Filonzi
2203	Jesús Martínez Ortega
2232	Sergii Zavadsky
2451	Abdul Hamid El Awa
2452	Michel Jazzar
2490	Alon Bendet
3250	Kumar Prasad Sinha
3271	Irfan Qureshi
3330	Kanit Jamjuntra
3340	Surapol Thaveesangskulthai
3410	Yusuf Djemat
3450	Yu Cheung Ho
3800	Marilou Co
4060	Roberto Almonte
4195	Edgar Corona
4240	Fransheska Audia
4250	Jose Interiano
4440	Marly de Fátima Ferreira
4455	José Antonio Nakandakari Kanashiro
4490	Mauricio Bezerra Silva
4510	João Evangelista Pereira
4550	Anaci Paim
4650	Herildo Monteiro Filho
4690	José Justiniano
4730	Isis Ribas Busse
4845	Ramón Sosa
4849	Daniel Mayo
4905	Raúl Telesca
4920	Marcelo Oscar Salamanco
4930	Nestor Marcelo Vizgarra
4945	Enrique Van Der Spoel

<u>District</u>	<u>Governor</u>
4980	Gonzalo Fernando Baranda Garcia
5580	Blaine Johnson
6310	Michael Elliott
6490	Arlene Pennie
6600	Maris Brenner
6760	Laquita Stribling
6820	Pamelia Smith
6880	Sam Adams
6910	Bruce Azevedo
7000	Juanita Valentín-Morris
7010	Susan Davidson
7080	John Gilvesy
7090	Melisa Schrock
7120	Mike Slovak
7150	Marvin Joslyn
7190	Tammy Heckenberg
7210	Christine Giangrasso
7230	Krishnan Chittur
7255	Shawn Weis
7475	John Wilson
7490	Niurka Mederos
7505	William Donnelly
7750	Carol Burdette
7780	John LoBosco
7870	Venu Rao
7890	Kathleen Sims
7930	Robert Woods
7950	William Tennant
7980	Larry Gardner
9010	Miloud Belabed
9101	Akiladi Allen
9125	Elvis Chukwu
9210	Hutchson Mthinda
9212	Jeffery C. Bamford
9220	Shelly Oukabay
9370	Gianna Doubell

## 5. Extension of Deadline for District Governor Selection

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary, in accordance with Rotary Code of Policies section 32.050.2., may extend the time limit for the selection of a district governor in cases where the governor states that special circumstances warrant such action. The districts assured the Board that they will comply with RI Bylaws section 12.010. for nomination of all future governors.

*DECISION:* The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, extends the time limit for the selection of the following district governors serving in 2021–22:

Districts  
1462 (Lithuania), 1560, 1590 (the Netherlands), 1640 (France), 2520, 2540, 2560, 2570, 2600, 2720, 2840 (Japan), 3420 (Indonesia)

## 6. Incorporation of Rotary Clubs

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may approve all applications for incorporation that are in conformity with the general provisions for articles of incorporation.

*DECISION:* The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, offers no objection to the incorporation of the following Rotary clubs under the proposed articles of incorporation as submitted by those clubs:

Brisbane Water, New South Wales, Australia  
Coquitlam, British Columbia, Canada  
Fernie, British Columbia, Canada  
Griffith Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia  
Pointe-A-Pierre, Trinidad and Tobago

## 7. Incorporation of Rotary Districts

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may approve all applications for incorporation that are in conformity with the general provisions for articles of incorporation.

*DECISION:* The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, offers no objection to the incorporation of the following Rotary districts under the proposed articles of incorporation as submitted by those districts.

2090 (Italy)  
4921 (Argentina)  
6740 (USA)

## 8. Merger of Clubs

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may approve the application of two or more Rotary clubs to merge into a single new club, in accordance with established procedure and policy.

*DECISION:* The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, approves the merging of the following Rotary clubs in RI:

<u>Clubs</u>	<u>New Club</u>	<u>New Charter Date</u>
Akashi West, Hyogo, Japan	Akashi East, Hyogo, Japan	15 April 1963
Akashi South, Hyogo, Japan		
Baruta, Miranda, Venezuela	Baruta/Las Mercedes,	17 June 1993
Las Mercedes, Caracas, Venezuela	Caracas, Venezuela	

<u>Clubs</u>	<u>New Club</u>	<u>New Charter Date</u>	<u>Clubs</u>	<u>New Club</u>	<u>New Charter Date</u>
Beijing Mandarin, People's Republic of China	Beijing Mandarin, People's Republic of China	26 February 2016	Hamilton, Ontario, Canada	Hamilton, Ontario, Canada	1 August 1913
Beijing Chaoyang, People's Republic of China			Hamilton Mountain (Hamilton South), Ontario, Canada		
Bijapur Monumental City, Karnataka, India	Vijayapura Monumental Heritage City	3 May 2006	Holbaek, Denmark	Holbaek, Denmark	1 June 1931
Bijapur Heritage, Karnataka, India			Holbaek Østre, Denmark		
Busan-Baekyang, Busan, Korea, Republic of	Busan Giantbaekyang, Busan, Korea, Republic of	9 August 2018	Ipatinga-Ribeirão Ipanema, Minas Gerais, Brazil	Ipatinga-Ribeirão Ipanema, Minas Gerais, Brazil	2 February 1992
Busan-Giant, Busan, Korea, Republic of			Ipatinga-Archimedes Theodoro, Minas Gerais, Brazil		
Ciudadela Tucumán, Tucumán, Argentina	Tucumán Ciudadela y Noreste, Tucumán, Argentina	29 January 1960	Kobe West, Hyogo, Japan	Kobe West, Hyogo, Japan	2 November 1955
Tucumán Noreste, Tucumán, Argentina			Kobe North, Hyogo, Japan		
Delhi Vasant Kunj, Delhi, India	Delhi Vasant Kunj, Delhi, India	10 June 1991	Kristianstad, Sweden	Kristianstad, Sweden	20 June 1945
Delhi Ummeed, Delhi, India			Kristianstad Vä, Sweden		
Des Plaines, Illinois, USA	River Cities-Greater Mount Prospect Area, Illinois, USA	14 January 1963	Las Heras Aconcagua, Mendoza, Argentina	Mendoza Cerro Aconcagua, Mendoza, Argentina	28 June 2000
Mount Prospect/Prospect Heights, Illinois, USA			Mendoza Los Cerros, Mendoza, Argentina		
East Sacramento, California, USA	East Sacramento, California, USA	9 September 1965	Little Rock Midtown, Arkansas, USA	West Little Rock, AR, USA	24 October 1958
Sacramento Breakfast, California, USA			West Little Rock, Arkansas, USA		
Eskilstuna Kloster, Sweden	Eskilstuna Kloster	19 February 1958	Livingston, New Jersey, USA	Livingston, New Jersey, USA	5 April 1950
Eskilstuna Munktellstaden, Sweden	Eskilstuna Munktell, Sweden		Livingston Sunrise, New Jersey, USA		
Fairview Heights, Illinois, USA	Fairview Heights, Illinois, USA	14 December 1970	Marseille, Bouches-du-Rhône, France	Marseille, Bouches-du-Rhône, France	4 May 1926
Fairview Heights Midday, Illinois, USA			Marseille Chaîne de l'Etoile, Bouches-du-Rhône, France		
Frederiksberg, Denmark	Frederiksberg, Denmark	28 February 1934	Paju-Gyoha, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of	Gyoha Saimdang, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of	21 June 2006
København Vesterbro, Denmark			Paju Saimdang, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of		
Guwahati, Assam, India	Guwahati, India	1 August 1955	Panamá Sur, Panama	Pacífico-Ciudad de Panamá, Panama	7 June 1971
Guwahati East, Assam, India			Panamá Oeste, Panama		
			Piracicaba-Cidade Alta, São Paulo, Brazil	Piracicaba-Engenho, São Paulo, Brazil	15 March 1967
			Piracicaba-Vila Rezende, São Paulo, Brazil		

<u>Clubs</u>	<u>New Club</u>	<u>New Charter Date</u>
Rajahmundry River City, Andhra Pradesh, India	Rajahmundry River City, Andhra Pradesh, India	23 October 2002
Kovvur, Andhra Pradesh, India		
São Paulo-Noroeste, São Paulo, Brazil	São Paulo-Noroeste	30 August 1972
São Paulo-Freguesia do Ó, São Paulo, Brazil	Freguesia do Ó, São Paulo, Brazil	
São Paulo-Pacaembu, São Paulo, Brazil	São Paulo-Pacaembu Bom Retiro, São Paulo, Brazil	23 April 1967
São Paulo-Bom Retiro, São Paulo, Brazil		
Shenandoah, Pennsylvania, USA	Northern Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, USA	1 June 1922
Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania, USA		
Shiki, Saitama, Japan	Shiki, Saitama, Japan	2 February 1972
Shiki Yanasegawa, Saitama, Japan		
St. Clair County (West), Illinois, USA	Belle Clair, Illinois, USA	1 March 1917
Belleville, Illinois, USA		
Toulon-Levant, Var, France	Toulon Levant Liberté, Var, France	31 October 1969
Toulon-Liberté, Var, France		
Traverse Bay Sunrise, Michigan, USA	Traverse Bay Sunrise, Michigan, USA	27 May 1999
Traverse Bay Twilight, Michigan, USA		
Tromsø Syd, Norway	Tromsø Syd, Norway	14 December 1970
Tromsø Øst, Norway		

## 9. Modification of District Boundaries – No Transfer of Clubs

*Statement:* The boundary change moves one county in District 5400 (USA – ID, OR) to the boundary description for District 5440 (USA – CO, NE, WY). A club formed in District 5440 includes communities in what is currently a county in District 5400. This change clarifies the area District 5440 represents. As a result of this correction, the new boundary descriptions for the two districts are:

**District 5400:** IDAHO, that portion lying south of the Salmon River, south of the northern border of the county of Lemhi and south of a line extended due west from the confluence of the Salmon River and the Little Salmon River (Riggins), excluding the county of Teton;

OREGON, the county of Baker and that portion east of the western boundary of the county of Malheur. NEVADA, the northeast corner of Elko County lying 30 miles south of the Idaho/Nevada border and 40 miles west of the Nevada/Utah border.

**District 5440:** WYOMING; IDAHO, the county of Teton; NEBRASKA, the county of Scottsbluff; and COLORADO, the counties of Moffat, Routt, Larimer, Logan, Phillips, Sedgwick, and Weld (excluding the extreme southern part of Weld County made up of the area south of an east-west line drawn straight through where Weld County Road 36 runs and would run, if continuous, from the Boulder County line east to a north-south line drawn straight through to the border of Morgan County).

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf in accordance with Rotary Code of Policies section 17.010.5., approves the district boundary change for District 5440.

## 10. Modification of District Boundaries – Transfer of Clubs

*Statement:* The Rotary Club of San Andres de General San Martin in District 4905 (Argentina) reported that through their service, they maintain a closer Rotary relationship with the clubs in District 4895 (Argentina). As a result of this transfer, the new boundary descriptions for the two districts are:

**District 4905:** ARGENTINA—Alberti, Almirante Brown, Avellaneda, Bragado, Chascomus; Cañuelas, Carlos Casares, Chivilcoy, Esteban Echeverría General Belgrano, General Las Heras, General Rodríguez, General Paz; General San Martín, General Sarmiento, La Matanza, Lanus, Lobos, Lomas De Zamora, Luján, Merlo, Mercedes, Monte, Moron, Moreno, Máximo Paz, Navarro, 9 de Julio, Roque Pérez, Saladillo, Suipacha, 3 de Febrero, and 25 de Mayo, excluding the community of San Andrés de General San Martín.

**District 4895:** ARGENTINA, that portion including the FEDERAL CAPITAL, in the Province of Buenos Aires, north of the southern boundaries of Partidos Vicente López, San Isidro, Tigre, Pilar, Exaltación De La Cruz, San Antonio De Areco, Capitán Sarmiento, Salto, Rojas Colón, Junín, General Arenales, General Villegas, América, General Pinto, Chacabuco, Carmen De Areco, San Andrés De Giles, General Viamonte, part of General San Martin, and part of Malvinas Argentinas, including the community of San Andrés de General San Martín.



**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf in accordance with Rotary Code of Policies section 17.010.5., approves the transfer of the Rotary Club of San Andres de General San Martin, Buenos Aires, Argentina from District 4905 to District 4895, effective 1 July 2019.

## 11. Modification of District Boundaries – Transfer of Clubs

*Statement:* The Rotary Club of Union County requested a district transfer, stating that such a transfer to the neighboring district would facilitate greater member participation in district trainings and events because this would position them differently in the district. As a result of this transfer, the new boundary descriptions for the two districts are:

**District 6670:** USA – OHIO, that portion south of the southern boundaries of the counties of Marion, Hardin, Auglaize, and Mercer and west of the eastern boundaries of the counties of Logan, Champaign, Madison, Fayette, Highland, and Adams.

**District 6690:** USA – OHIO, that portion south of the southern boundaries of the counties of Jefferson, Harrison, Tuscarawas, Holmes, Ashland, Richland, Morrow, and Marion and east of the eastern boundaries of the counties of Logan, Champaign, Madison, Fayette, Highland, and Adams."

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf in accordance with Rotary Code of Policies section 17.010.5., approves the transfer of the Rotary Club of Union Country, Ohio, USA, from District 6670 to District 6690, effective 1 July 2019.

## 12. Resignation of Membership in Rotary International

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may cancel a club's charter under the recommendation of the governor if the club has ceased to exist.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, accepts the resignation of the following clubs and declares the charters issued to these clubs to be null and void:

<u>District</u>	<u>Club Name</u>
1010	Carnoustie, Tayside, Scotland
1030	Newcastle-upon-Tyne West, Tyne & Wear, England

<u>District</u>	<u>Club Name</u>
1040	Leeds Phoenix, Leeds, England
1040	Ackworth & Districe, England
1080	Dereham, Norfolk, England
1080	Mildenhall, Suffolk, England
1080	Broadlands, Norfolk, England
1090	Woodstock & Kidlington, Oxon, England
1110	Southampton AM Connect, Hampshire, England
1110	Parley, Dorset, England
1120	Wadhurst and the High Weald, East Sussex, England
1145	Brighton & Hove South Downs, East Sussex, England
1145	Steyning & Henfield, West Sussex, England
1150	Briton Ferry, Wales
1150	Abercarn & Newbridge, Gwent, Wales
1150	Cardiff-Cit of Llandaff, Wales
1190	Blackpool South, Lancaster, England
1230	Kilwinning, Strathclyde, Scotland
1240	Southend-on-Sea, Essex, England
1240	Harlow, Essex, England
1285	Ashton-In-Makerfield with Haydock, Wigan, England
1285	Manchester Trailblazers, Greater Manchester, England
1380	Korsholm-Mustasaari, Finland
1380	Kokkola-Tankar, Finland
1400	Pudasjärvi, Finland
1410	Vehmaa, Finland
1510	Doué la Fontaine-Montreuil Bellay-Vihiers, France
1640	Roumois, Eure, France
1640	Barneville-Carteret en Côte des Isles, Manche, France
1640	Dieppe Ivoire, France
1690	Pons, Charente-Martime, France
1710	Chauffailles et La Clayette, Saône-et-Loire, France
1730	Toulon-Cap Brun, France
1740	Périgueux Est, Dordogne, France
1770	Savigny-Val d'Orge, Essonne, France
2041	San Donato Milanese, Italy
2080	E-Club of Amatrice
2100	Cirò Marina-Terra degli Enotri, Italy
2260	Vestby, Norway
2275	Vadsø, Norway
2340	Hallsberg, Sweden
2350	Solna-Råsunda, Sweden
2360	Borås Västra, Sweden
2370	Flen-Malmköping, Sweden
2390	Svedala-Sturup, Sweden
2452	Batumi International, Georgia
2520	Yumoto, Iwate, Japan
2550	Nasu, Tochigi, Japan
2590	Yokohama Totsuka East, Kanagawa, Japan
2660	Osaka-Naniwa, Osaka, Japan
2740	Shiroishi, Saga, Japan
2750	Tokyo Oi, Tokyo, Japan

<u>District</u>	<u>Club Name</u>
2790	Mobara-Higashi, Chiba, Japan
3053	Gwalior Mahalgaon, Madhya Pradesh, India
3053	Ladnun, Rajasthan, India
3080	New Chandigarh, Chandigarh, India
3131	Panvel Swaymsiddha, Maharashtra, India
3150	Markapur Central, Andhra Pradesh, India
3201	Cochin Sunrise, Kerala, India
3211	Trivandrum City, Kerala, India
3250	Patna Ashok, Bihar, India
3291	Dum Dum Metropolis, West Bengal, India
3360	E-Club of Chiang Mai Cyber, Thailand
3521	Taipei Tien Chen, Taiwan
3620	E-Club of Jisan, Chungcheongnam, Korea, Republic of
3650	Seoul-Pukak, Seoul, Korea, Republic of
3661	Busan Myeongji, Busan, Korea, Republic of
3670	Jeonju-Nammoon, Jeonrabug, Korea, Republic of
3700	Daegu-Dongbang, Daegu, Korea, Republic of
3721	Ulsan-Haesong, Ulsan, Korea, Republic of
3800	E-Club of San Juan Central D3800, Philippines
4310	Pardinho, São Paulo, Brazil
4340	Alameda, Santiago, Chile
4355	Laja-Dr. Carlos Zurita Cárcamo, Biobío, Chile
4380	San Felipe, Yaracuy, Venezuela
4400	Quito Mitad de Mundo, Pichincha, Ecuador
4420	Santo André-João Ramalho, São Paulo, Brazil
4430	Aruja, São Paulo, Brazil
4500	Recife-Derby, Pernambuco, Brazil
4550	E-Club do Distrito 4550, Brazil
4550	Teixeira de Freitas-Bela Vista, Bahia, Brazil
4570	Rio de Janeiro-Taquara, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
4670	Porto Alegre-Farrapos, Rio Grande do Sul, Brasil
4680	Porto Alegre-Sudeste, São Paulo, Brazil
4815	Piedras Moras Almafuerte, Córdoba, Argentina
4895	San Nicolás de Bari, Buenos Aires, Argentina
4905	Temperley, Buenos Aires, Argentina
4945	Rosario Ribera, Argentina
4975	Zonamérica, Montevideo, Uruguay
5080	Hayden Lake, Idaho, USA
5110	Shasta Valley (Yreka), California, USA
5180	Twin Rivers Sacramento, California, USA
5180	Loomis Sunset, California, USA
5220	Riverbank, California, USA
5240	Morro Bay Sunset, California, USA
5300	West Covina Sunrise, California, USA
5300	Las Vegas-Central, Nevada, USA
5340	San Diego Uptown Sunrise, California, USA
5360	Lethbridge Urban Spirits, Alberta, Canada
5495	Springerville, Arizona, USA
5650	Avoca, Iowa, USA
5810	Fair Park (Dallas), Texas, USA
5870	Austin Centennial, Texas, USA

<u>District</u>	<u>Club Name</u>
6420	Harvard, Illinois, USA
6420	Erie, Illinois, USA
6440	Rolling Meadows, Illinois, USA
6450	Oak Lawn, Illinois, USA
6490	Shelbyville, Illinois, USA
6690	Lewis Center/Polaris, Ohio, USA
6860	Reform, Alabama, USA
6960	Naples Collier, Florida, USA
6970	Ocala Southwest, Florida, USA
6990	Miami-Granada, Florida, USA
7080	Mississauga North Breakfast, Ontario, Canada
7080	Mississauga South, Ontario, Canada
7210	Clarkstown Sunrise, New York, USA
7255	E-Club of District 7255, New York, USA
7255	Huntington Station, New York, USA
7360	Renovo, Pennsylvania, USA
7390	New Oxford-Conewago Valley, Pennsylvania, USA
7450	Central Delaware County, Pennsylvania, USA
7610	Caroline County, Virginia, USA
7610	Dulles South, Virginia, USA
7620	Crofton, Maryland, USA
7630	Hockessin-Greenville, Delaware, USA
7680	Charlotte-Evening, North Carolina, USA
7690	East Davie, North Carolina, USA
7720	Neuse Sunrise (Bridgeton), North Carolina, USA
7750	Greater Greer, South Carolina, USA
9400	Soweto, South Africa
9455	Bay View Claremont, Australia
9465	Mandurah City, Western Australia, Australia
9550	Thursday Island - Torres Strait, Australia
9600	Albion, Queensland, Australia
9675	Sylvania, NSW, Australia
9700	Lockhart, NSW, Australia
9820	Sale Central, Victoria, Australia
9830	Queenstown, Tasmania, Australia
9910	Kaitaia, New Zealand

### 13. Suspension of Services in Rotary International

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may suspend services of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation to a club that has not paid its district per capita dues or levy for more than six months until such time as the club has satisfied all of its past due indebtedness to the district for per capita dues and/or levies.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 3.020.1. suspends all services of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation to the following clubs until such time as it has satisfied all of their past indebtedness for per capita district dues and/or levies:

<u>District</u>	<u>Club Name</u>
2080	Roma Aniene, Italy
3600	Baekam, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of
3600	Hanam-Geomdan, Gyeonggi, Korea, Rep. of
3600	Namyangju Suseok, Gyeonggi, Korea, Rep. of
3600	Noble County, Gyeonggi, Korea, Rep. of
3600	Sooji-Sujeong, Gyeonggi, Korea, Rep. of
3600	Yangpyeong, Gyeonggi, Korea, Rep. of
4110	Meoqui San Pablo, Chihuahua, Mexico
4540	Miguelópolis, São Paulo, Brazil
4600	Barra Mansa-Alvorada, São Paulo, Brazil
4650	Pouso Redondo, Santa Catarina, Brazil
4851	Malargüe, Mendoza, Argentina

#### 14. Termination of Membership in Rotary International – Disbanded

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may terminate the charters of clubs where further effort to rehabilitate the club is futile.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary action on its behalf, terminates the membership in RI of the following Rotary clubs:

<u>District</u>	<u>Club Name</u>
1030	Billingham, England
1100	Hereford Marches, Herefordshire, England
1100	Worcester South, Worcester, England
1120	Sittingbourne & Milton, Kent, England
1145	West Worthing, West Sussex, England
2050	E-Club of Arte-Distretto 2050, Italy
2231	Jelenia Góra-Cieplce, Poland
3040	Ujjain Central, Madhya Pradesh, India
3040	Bhopal Kolar, Madhya Pradesh, India
3053	Shivpuri Royal, Madhya Pradesh, India
3053	Sridungargarh, Rajasthan, India
3054	E-Club of Jaipur Yuva, Rajasthan, India
3100	Moradabad City, Uttar Pradesh, India
3220	Jaffna City, Sri Lanka
3501	Hsinchu Chufong, Hsinchu, Taiwan
3590	Namhae-Geumsan, Gyeongsangnam, Korea, Republic of
3661	Busan-Seongji, Busan, Korea, Republic of
3710	Gwangju Gukhwa, Gwangju, Korea, Republic of
3721	Ulsan Haengun, Ulsan, Korea, Republic of
3721	Ulsan Mirinae, Ulsan, Korea, Republic of
3750	Dongtan Neulchan, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of
4240	Rohrmoser, Costa Rica
4271	Cúcuta Sin Fronteras, Norte de Santander, Colombia
4540	Santa Rosa de Viterbo, São Paulo, Brazil
4851	Villa Luján-Tucumán, Tucumán, Argentina
4905	Lomas del Mirador, Buenos Aires, Argentina

<u>District</u>	<u>Club Name</u>
5020	Parksville, British Columbia, Canada
5730	Spearman, Texas, USA
5960	North Branch, Minnesota, USA
6490	Gilman, Illinois, USA
6670	Trotwood, Ohio, USA
6890	Lutz, Florida, USA
7090	Ancaster, Ontario, Canada
7305	New Stanton-Youngwood, Pennsylvania, USA
7475	Fairfield, New Jersey, USA
7490	Ringwood/Wanaque, New Jersey, USA
7570	Christiansburg, Virginia, USA
7620	Towson, Maryland, USA
7790	La Tuque, Quebec, Canada
9010	Agadir Sable d'Or, Morocco
9940	Pukekura Breakfast, New Zealand

#### 15. Termination of Membership in Rotary International – Failure to Function

*Statement:* Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may terminate the charters of clubs where further effort to rehabilitate the club is futile.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 3.030.3., terminates the membership in RI of the following Rotary clubs:

<u>District</u>	<u>Club Name</u>	<u>Admitted</u>	<u>Terminated</u>
Non-districted	Nakhodka, Russian Federation	15 February 1996	30 June 2019
3190	Bengaluru BTM, Karnataka, India	6 June 2016	14 May 2019
4380	Punto Fijo Península de Paraguaná, Falcón, Venezuela	23 October 2013	30 April 2019
4380	Puerto Cabello, Carabobo, Venezuela	11 December 1942	30 April 2019
7020	Morant Bay, Jamaica	24 October 2011	19 June 2019

#### 16. Change of Name of a Rotarian Action Group

*Statement:* Under the Board's delegation of authority terms, the general secretary may approve changes to the official name of any Global Networking Group, provided that the name is in accordance with RI policy.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, approves the change of name of the Rotarian

Action Group Rotarians Eliminating Malaria (REMaRAG) – A Rotarian Action Group to Rotarians Against Malaria – Global, Rotarian Action Group.

**17. Request to Join Rotaract Multidistrict Information Organization—Districts 4355, 4400 and 4690**

*Statement:* In accordance with the policy established by the Board with respect to multidistrict activities, the governors and Rotaract representatives of Districts 4355, 4400 and 4690 requested the Board's approval to participate in Rotaract activities on a multidistrict level.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with established policy concerning multidistrict activities, authorizes the governors and Rotaract clubs in Districts 4355, 4400 and 4690 to participate in Agencia Informativa de Rotaract Andina Centro (AIRAC) Multidistrict Information Organization representing Districts 4320, 4340, 4355, 4400, 4455, 4465 and 4690 subject to the activities being organized and conducted in accordance with RI policy.

**18. Request to Join Rotaract Multidistrict Information Organization—District 3232**

*Statement:* In accordance with the policy established by the Board with respect to multidistrict activities, the governors and Rotaract representatives of District 3232 requested the Board's approval to participate in Rotaract activities on a multidistrict level.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with established policy concerning multidistrict activities, authorizes the governor and Rotaract clubs in District 3232 to participate in Rotaract South Asia Multidistrict Information Organization Representing Districts 2981, 2982, 3000, 3011, 3012, 3020, 3030, 3053, 3060, 3070, 3080, 3090, 3110, 3120, 3131, 3132, 3141, 3142, 3150, 3160, 3170, 3181, 3182, 3190, 3201, 3202, 3211, 3212, 3220, 3232, 3240, 3250, 3261, 3262, 3271, 3272, 3281, 3282, 3291 3292, subject to the activities being organized and conducted in accordance with RI policy.

**19. Request to Join Rotaract Multidistrict Information Organization—District 5150**

*Statement:* In accordance with the policy established by the Board with respect to multidistrict activities, the governors and Rotaract representatives of District 5150 (USA – CA) requested the Board's approval to participate in Rotaract activities on a multidistrict level.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with established policy concerning multidistrict activities, authorizes the governor and Rotaract clubs in District 5150 to participate in Big West Rotaract Multidistrict Information Organization Representing Districts 5000, 5010, 5020, 5030, 5050, 5060, 5100, 5110, 5130, 5150, 5170, 5180, 5220, 5240, 5280, 5300, 5320, 5330, 5340, 5495, 5500, subject to the activities being organized and conducted in accordance with RI policy.

**20. Request to Disband a Youth Exchange Multidistrict Organization – EXPRO/BRAZIL**

*Statement:* In accordance with the policy established by the Board with respect to multidistrict activities, the governors of Districts 4430 and 4590 (Brazil) requested the Board's approval to disband a Youth Exchange Multidistrict Organization.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with established policy concerning multidistrict activities, disbands the EXPRO/BRAZIL Multidistrict Youth Exchange Program representing Districts 4430 and 4590.

**21. Request to Disband a Youth Exchange Multidistrict Organization – NORBEX**

*Statement:* In accordance with the policy established by the Board with respect to multidistrict activities, the governors of Districts 4391 and 4500 (Brazil) requested the Board's approval to disband a Youth Exchange Multidistrict Organization.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with policy concerning multidistrict activities, disbands the Associação NORBEX Brasil Programa De Intercambio Do Rotary (NORBEX BRASIL) multidistrict organization representing Districts 4391 and 4500.

**22. Request to Join Multidistrict Youth Exchange—District 7545**

*Statement:* In accordance with the Multidistrict Youth Exchange Program policies, the 2019–20 District 7545 governor requested the Board's approval to join multidistrict Youth Exchange activities (District 7545 will exist starting 1 July 2019).

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with the Rotary Code of Policies, authorizes the 2019–20 governor and clubs in District 7545 to join activities with the Ohio-Erie Rotary Youth Exchange Program, Inc. multidistrict on 1 July 2019.

## **APPENDIX C**

### **2020–21 ANNUAL GOALS FOR ROTARY INTERNATIONAL AND THE ROTARY FOUNDATION (Decision 23)**

**Together, we see a world where people unite and take action and create lasting change—across the world, in our communities, and in ourselves.**

#### **GOALS FOR PRIORITY 1 – INCREASE OUR IMPACT**

1. Eradicate polio and highlight Rotary's role.
2. Increase contributions to the Annual Fund and PolioPlus while building the Endowment Fund to \$2.025 billion by 2025.
3. Improve the measurable impact of district grants, global grants, PolioPlus and the Rotary Peace Centers.
4. Build new partnerships, including opportunities with government agencies, to enhance the global foot print of humanitarian projects.

#### **GOALS FOR PRIORITY 2 – EXPAND OUR REACH**

5. Increase and diversify participation by starting new and innovative clubs and participant engagement channels, and by attracting new members in our existing clubs.
6. Increase the number of female members, members under 40, and Rotaractors joining Rotary.
7. Build awareness of Rotary and Rotarians as People of Action.

#### **GOALS FOR PRIORITY 3 – ENHANCE PARTICIPANT ENGAGEMENT**

8. Enhance the engagement among Interact, Rotaract and Rotary club members and other Rotary participants.
9. Increase collaboration between all participants, in particular between Rotary clubs and Rotaract clubs.
10. Build new partnerships to enhance the global foot print of our humanitarian projects.

#### **GOALS FOR PRIORITY 4 – INCREASE OUR ABILITY TO ADAPT**

11. Implement adjustment to our volunteer leadership structure.
12. Focus and potentially narrow our program efforts.

## APPENDIX E

### POLICIES RELATING TO THE RI BOARD (Decision 30)

#### Article 28. RI Board of Directors

- 28.005. Policies Relating to the Board
- 28.010. Selection Methods for Directors
- 28.020. Orientation and Governance Training
- 28.030. Meetings
- 28.040. RI Board of Directors Job Description
- 28.050. Appeals of Board Action
- 28.060. Spouse Training and Attendance at Rotary Meetings
- 28.070. Relationship Between Directors and Governors
- 28.080. Relationship Between Directors and Regional Leaders
- 28.090. Conflict of Interest Policy
- 28.100. Code of Ethics
- 28.110. Indemnification of RI Directors and Officers

#### 28.005. Policies Relating to the Board

The Board has adopted the following policies governing its work. These policies should be reviewed annually at the Board's first meeting.

##### A. The Role of the Board of Directors of RI

The Constitution and Bylaws of RI place certain duties and responsibilities on the Board and give the Board certain powers to carry out those duties and responsibilities:

The affairs and funds of RI, shall be under the direction and control of the Board, in conformity with the constitution and bylaws and the Illinois General Not-for-Profit Corporation Act of 1986, and any amendments thereto. (RI Constitution, art. 6, sec. 2).

The Rotary International Board of Directors shall be responsible for doing whatever may be necessary for:

- the furtherance of the purposes of Rotary International
- the attainment of the Object of Rotary
- the study and teaching of its fundamentals
- the preservation of its ideals, its ethics, and its unique features of organization and its extension throughout the world

Article 3 of the RI Constitution provides that the purposes of RI are:

- a. to support the clubs and districts of RI in their pursuit of programs and activities that promote the Object of Rotary;
- b. to encourage, promote, extend and supervise Rotary through the world;
- c. to coordinate and general direct the activities of RI.

To fulfill these purposes, the Board shall adopt a strategic plan, oversee its implementation in each zone, and report on the plan's progress at each Council on Legislation (RI Bylaws section 5.010.3.) The Board shall review the strategic plan regularly.

The Board is responsible for:

- a. establishing policy for the organization;
- b. evaluating implementation of policy by the general secretary;
- c. exercising control and supervision over all officers, officers-elect, and officers-nominee, and RI committees;
- d. exercising other powers conferred by the constitution, by the bylaws, and the Illinois General Not-for-Profit Corporation Act of 1986, and their amendments. (RI Bylaws section 5.010.2.)

The Board elects the general secretary. (RI Bylaws section 6.040.)

The administration of clubs shall be under general supervision of the Board. (RI Constitution, art. 8, sec. 2.)

##### B. Duties and Responsibilities of the Board

1. The Board functions as a policy maker for the association. While the Council on Legislation and Council on Resolutions act as legislative arms of the association, it is the Board that develops and establishes new policy, reviews existing policy, and modifies policy where appropriate.
2. The Board functions as the program planning body for the association. It establishes goals and objectives—both short-range and long-range—and it considers proposals for new programs or changes in current

programs. It may establish new programs, review existing programs, or may discontinue programs that have served their purpose or are no longer viable.

3. The Board controls the finances and adopts the annual budget of the association (with per capita dues being determined by the Council on Legislation).
4. The Board promotes and advocates for the ideals and programs of Rotary. It has a responsibility for promoting and extending the fundamental ideals and object of the association and in gaining acceptance for its programs.
5. The Board and its individual members motivate RI officers and committees, member clubs, and Rotarians in furtherance of Rotary's goals and priorities.
6. The Board identifies problems or trends in Rotary that may warrant Board action.

#### **C. The Board of Directors and the Legislative Process of RI**

As provided in the RI Bylaws, the RI President, President-elect, and one other RI director are non-voting members of the Councils. A director cannot serve at a Council as the representative of the clubs of his district. A director's primary responsibility is as a member of the Board (see section 59.030.1.).

1. The Board may establish a position or organize members of the Board or others to speak in the Council on behalf of the Board for or against pending legislation or resolutions, when:
  - a. items of proposed legislation or resolutions are offered by the Board,
  - b. items are offered by others on matters that the Board considers to be importance to the organization.
5. Director participation in Council deliberations will be on behalf of the Board, not a reflection of individual views. Moreover,
  - a. if the chair of the Council on Legislation or Council on Resolutions feels that an item of proposed legislation or resolution from the Board requires clarification, the president may designate a director to speak on the Board's behalf;
  - b. in the event a criticism of the Board is made during a session of the Council on Legislation or

Council on Resolutions, the Board may reply to such criticism through a designated spokesperson;

- c. in the event the Board withdraws its proposal from consideration by a Council, an explanation of the Board's reasons for such withdrawal may be provided by a designated spokesperson.
6. With respect to proposed legislation or resolutions offered by the Board at the instruction of a Council, the Board shall make clear that it is offering such proposed legislation or resolutions in compliance with such instruction.

#### **D. Criteria for Items Coming to the Board**

The RI Board's primary role is to establish Rotary policy and to evaluate the general secretary's implementation of this policy. The general secretary shall be responsible for policy implementation, management, and administration.

The Board functions most effectively when it is able to devote its time and attention to policy and program matters for the association not on administrative matters or matters where authority has been delegated to the general secretary.

1. Items for consideration by the Board may come from the following sources:
  - a. Current RI general officers, including the general secretary
  - b. Current RI officers
  - c. RI committees
  - d. Any committee of the Board
  - e. Rotary Foundation Trustees
  - f. General Council of RIBI
  - g. Past RI general officers
  - h. Councils on Legislation or Councils on Resolutions
  - i. Rotary institutes for present, past, and incoming officers of RI
  - j. Rotary district conferences
  - k. Individual Rotary clubs (by petition)

Individual Rotarians may not submit items for Board meeting agendas.

2. The Board considers items based on written presentations and background statements, as provided in an advance memorandum. Except in cases where the president determines that a personal presentation will be beneficial to the Board's consideration of a

matter, the Board does not receive groups or individuals who wish to appear personally before the Board.

3. Items for which the president, the Executive Committee, or the general secretary is authorized to act on the Board's behalf shall be reported to the Board.
4. Items included on the Board's agenda shall be limited to those that involve or relate to:
  - a. duties and responsibilities placed on the Board by statute and that have not been delegated to others by the Board;
  - b. establishing, modifying, or terminating policy;
  - c. strategic planning;
  - d. establishing, modifying, or terminating an RI program;
  - e. reviewing and approving the budget and authorizing budget variances;
  - f. a change in RI policy, procedures, or programs that would require Council action;
  - g. programs and expenditures of The Rotary Foundation;
  - h. reviewing Committee reports;
  - i. reviewing the finances of the association;
  - j. considering matters brought to the Board's attention by the general secretary
5. All matters of an administrative nature shall be referred to the general secretary for attention and, as needed, for decision.
6. Program proposals from clubs or individuals requiring Board approval should be referred to appropriate advisory committees for the Board's consideration.

#### **E. Decisions Made by the Board of Directors**

In the consideration of any item before the Board, RI directors may express personal opinions on the matter but once a decision is adopted by the Board, the decision is to be deemed, reported, and discussed as a decision of the entire Board. The vote and discussion of the item shall remain strictly confidential. Staff attending the Board meeting shall also maintain confidentiality as above. A director, however, may have his negative vote recorded in the minutes upon request.

The Board shall use electronic voting on all substantive items on its agenda. Any director can demand an electronic vote on any item without requiring a second or

debate. All decisions, unless specified otherwise, take effect immediately upon the adjournment of the meeting.

#### **F. Consent Items at Board Meetings**

At each meeting of the Board for which an advance memorandum is prepared and which includes a listing of items for consideration at the meeting, the Board may take action on one or more agenda items by general consent, i.e., by agreeing to a draft decision without general discussion on an item.

Adopting items on consent allows the Board to spend more time discussing strategic and transformative topics. Consent items are typically administrative or non-controversial items that can be adopted without full Board discussion.

Shortly before each meeting, the Board will be sent a list of agenda items suggested for adoption on the first consent list. Concerns about any item on consent should first be directed to the staff who drafted the item to see if the concern can be answered (staff contact information is provided on each item). If the director still has concerns or questions about the item on consent or would like the Board to discuss the issue, the item can be removed from the list by the director for full discussion and decision by the Board.

The Board may also consider a second list of consent items from recommended draft decisions from the Board's Committees. Any director may ask to have one or more of the recommended decisions removed from the list for full discussion and decision by the Board.

#### **G. Board Agenda Procedures**

1. On the agenda at each meeting, is an item for the Board to review the draft agenda for its next meeting. Approximately eight weeks before a Board meeting, Corporate Governance staff will send the Board a revised draft agenda that includes any newly added items since the Board's early review. At this time, directors have an opportunity to request new items be added to the agenda.

Agenda items may be suggested by individual directors, the general secretary, and any group or individual listed under paragraph D.1. of Rotary Code section 28.005. A director may place an item on the agenda during the course of a meeting if the matter is of an urgent nature and cannot wait until the Board's next meeting. Such items will be considered during the meeting at the discretion of the chair.



2. All items presented for Board consideration that have any financial impact on RI capital or operating budgets will be submitted to Corporate Finance and Planning for analysis of that impact. (see section 68.010.5.)
3. The general secretary shall establish a deadline for the submission of Board agenda items. The advance memorandum will be made available via Board governance software to each director approximately three weeks in advance of the meeting, except for those items that for good reason could not be prepared earlier but will be provided as soon as they can be available or at the time of the meeting.
4. The president shall refer all items for the Board's consideration to the Administration, Programs, or Executive Committee of the Board, provided that the president may direct that an item be considered only by the full Board. These committees shall function in accordance with section 28.030.4. A Board meeting committee shall make every effort to finish its consideration of its assigned items within the specified time period; items not considered by that time shall go to the full Board without a committee recommendation.
5. The committees shall recommend a draft decision for each item for the Board's consideration. If the recommendation of the committee is less than unanimous, the recommendation shall state the vote of the committee.
6. The president, in consultation with the general secretary, shall establish the order of consideration of agenda items.
7. A director's primary responsibility is to his or her own committee. However, a director is encouraged to attend other committee meetings when the director's interest or expertise on a particular subject would assist the committee in its deliberations.

## APPENDIX F

### AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES REGARDING ROTARY ROLE DESCRIPTIONS (Decision 44)

#### 17.030.2. District Committees

##### K. District Training Committee

###### 1. *Purpose*

The committee is responsible for supporting the governor and governor-elect in training club and district leaders and overseeing the overall training plan for the district.

###### 2. *Additional Qualifications of Members*

Preference should be given to Rotarians with training, education or facilitation experience.

###### 3. *Duties and Responsibilities*

a) ~~The committee must have a clear understanding that it is responsible to~~ Assist the convener, usually the governor or governor-elect, of each training meeting in the district, including Rotary required training.

b) ~~The committee should work with the governor-elect on training needs related to:~~

- 1) ~~PETS~~
- 2) ~~District training assembly~~
- 3) ~~District team training seminar~~
- 4) ~~Assistant Governor Training~~

c) ~~The committee should work with the governor on training needs related to:~~

- 1) ~~Rotaract leadership training~~
- 2) ~~Club level training~~
- 3) ~~Other training events in the district, as appropriate~~

d) ~~The committee may also have secondary responsibility for the district Rotary Foundation seminar and the district membership seminar. These meetings are the primary responsibility of other district committees. The training committee may consult on training related issues.~~

e) Under the direction of the meeting's convener, the committee is responsible for one or more of the following aspects:

- 1) Program content (in accordance with board-recommended curricula)
- 2) Conducting sessions
- 3) Identification of speakers and other volunteers
- 4) Preparing training leaders
- 5) Program evaluation
- 6) Logistics
- 7) Marketing to target audiences

fc) If the district is part of a multidistrict PETS, ~~the governor-elect, work~~ in accordance with the policies and procedures of that multidistrict PETS, ~~will select an individual to develop and conduct training at PETS. This individual should be a member of this committee.~~

#### 20.020.2. Role and Responsibilities of the Governor

To achieve a successful district conference, the governor will

- a) be responsible for the planning, organizing and conducting of the conference
- b) develop a comprehensive and well-balanced program within the Board-recommended guidelines
- c) ensure that hospitality and courtesy appropriate to the RI president is given to the representative of the RI president and his/her partners
- d) ensure maximum representation from every club in the district by involving them in conference programs and activities
- e) encourage the involvement of the local community by conducting a well-planned public image effort - that includes media relations - before, during and after the conference
- f) invite representatives of the local community to participate in the program
- g) make a special effort to have the entire membership of all newly organized clubs attend the conference
- h) appoint an aide to the president's representative, if applicable.

#### 20.030.2. Role of the President's Representative at Conference

In representing the RI president and ~~his spouse partner~~, the president's representative and his/her ~~spouse partner~~ shall, ~~if possible~~

- a) meet personally as many Rotarians and ~~spouses~~ partners as possible
- b) inspire and motivate district conference participants through formal presentations and participation in all aspects of the conference
- c) provide information on the RI president and the annual theme ~~as well as providing continuity to the following year's theme~~
- d) stress the importance of membership attraction, retention and engagement

- e) promote the programs and development of The Rotary Foundation
- f) evaluate the governor, governor-elect, and other Rotarian participants for future responsibilities
- ~~g) evaluate past governors in attendance, who should be considered for future assignments~~
- ~~h) visit Rotary clubs and Rotary service projects before or after district conference, if feasible~~
- i) attend all scheduled district conference meetings
- j) refrain from involvement in district disputes

~~In so performing the above responsibilities, the president's representative and his or her spouse should reflect the dignity and courtesy associated with the highest office in RI.~~

#### 20.030.3. The Role of President's Representatives' Partners

The ~~spouses~~ partners of president's representatives have a responsibility to promote the ideals and programs of Rotary, in addition to supporting the president's representatives ~~in the performance of their duties~~. Involvement in the activities of the conference is required, including attendance at partners' meetings, social gatherings, and plenary sessions.

20.030.5. Expenses of President's Representative  
Rotary International will pay the eligible travel expenses of the president's representative and ~~spouse~~ partner to a district conference. The district conference shall assume the hotel and other conference expenses of the president's representative and ~~spouse~~ partner during their attendance at the conference. ~~The account of the president's representative for expenses incurred in attending a district conference shall not be closed nor shall the representative receive final reimbursement for travel and other expenses in connection to district conference attendance until a final report of the conference is sent to the president.~~

#### ~~20.030.6. President's Representatives' Reports as a Resource for Future Representatives~~

~~President's representatives should be sent copies of the prior three years of reports for the district to which they are assigned, excluding any material related to individuals in the district.~~

#### 29.020.4. Role Responsibilities

RCs understand and effectively communicate Rotary's:

- Strategic plan
- Annual goals and priorities
- Regionally appropriate membership attraction and engagement strategies

- New club and satellite club creation strategies
- Programs
- Focus on alumni importance

RCs lead by example locally and regionally by:

- Inviting at least one candidate to join their Rotary club each year
- Supporting effective member engagement activities in their Rotary club
- Effective use of Rotary's online tools

RCs actively promote:

- Strong, dynamic, flexible and effective clubs
- Attraction of new members
- Engagement of current members
- New club and satellite club development
- Strategic planning at both the club and district level
- Adoption and use of Rotary's online tools
- Participation in Rotary Programs
- Monitoring and responding to club, district and regional membership trends
- Club success stories
- Ways to strengthen alumni connection, engagement, and commitment to Rotary
- ~~--Nominations to Rotary Alumni Global Service Award and the Alumni Association of the Year Award by all Rotarians~~
- ~~--Confer with the RRFC and RPIC regarding annual candidates for the Rotary Alumni Global Service Award and the Alumni Association of the Year Award~~

RCs, working with their assistants and in collaboration with their regional leader team, plan and conduct the following training:

- Regional team training for their assistants
- Governors-elect Training Seminars. Those not invited to serve on the GETS training team, are strongly encouraged to attend GETS to further deepen communication and collaboration with governors-elect and district leadership.
- Regional and other district seminars as needed.

#### 29.030.4. Role Responsibilities

RPICs understand and effectively communicate Rotary's:

- Strategic plan
- Annual goals and priorities
- Coordinated public image building activities in a regionally-appropriate manner
- Need for a consistent and unified Rotary brand and message
- Use of Rotary's visual identity assets, including the Brand Center, etc.
- Value of Rotarians and alumni in telling Rotary's story

RPICs lead by example, locally and regionally by:

- Championing Rotary's public image campaigns in their own club

- Using Rotary's online tools, including the Brand Center, to tell Rotary's story
- Sharing examples of club and district successes and challenges in public image building to help facilitate improvement
- Having a visible and vibrant traditional media and/or social media presence

RPICs actively promote:

- Engagement of clubs and districts in coordinated public image activities as part of strategic planning
- Adoption and use of Rotary's Brand Center and other on-line tools to tell Rotary's story
- Adoption and use of Rotary's brand and other visual identity assets
- Use of a consistent and unified Rotary message
- Clubs and districts telling stories about their community impact, by leveraging various communication channels, including media relations, on-line, social and digital media, local advocacy, community engagement events, thought leadership, speaking engagements, marketing and advertising channels, etc.
- Well-maintained club and district websites
- The need for clubs and districts to have a robust social media presence
- Ways to highlight Rotarian and Rotary alumni stories
- Best practices for marketing Rotary special events and activities in local communities, such as World Polio Day, etc.
- ~~--Promote That all Rotarians may suggest annual candidates for the Rotary Alumni Global Service Award and the Alumni Association of the Year Award; and confer with the RRFC and RC on the selection of winners for these awards~~

RPICs, working with their assistants and in collaboration with their regional leader team, plan and conduct the following training:

- Regional team training for their assistants
- Governors-elect Training Seminars. Those not invited to serve on the GETS training team are strongly encouraged to attend GETS to further deepen their communication and collaboration with governors-elect and district leadership.
- Regional and other district seminars as needed.

#### 43.070.3. Nomination of Candidates

1. Any member of the Rotary community, including Rotarians, alumni, and current program participants can nominate a candidate.
2. Nominations must be made on the prescribed form with a clear description of the candidate's achievements that would qualify him/her for this award;

supplementary documentation or material is highly desirable. Nominations must be received at RI World Headquarters by 15 September.

3. ~~The regional Rotary Foundation coordinator (RRFC) general secretary shall be responsible for the nomination process for their zone/region and should notify district governors of the deadline and procedures. The RRFC will be provided with all nominations received from their zone/region by RI following the 15 September deadline.~~
4. ~~Each RRFC may select one candidate annually from the zone/region for which he or she is responsible for the international competition. All three regional coordinators should be involved in the selection process.~~
5. ~~RRFCs must submit their selection of zone/regional winner to RI World Headquarters by 15 October for the current year's award.~~

#### 43.070.4. Selection Process

1. The general secretary will review all nominations to assure candidates meet the eligibility criteria and forward ~~them~~ the top candidates to the Service Awards Committee and The Rotary Foundation Awards Review Committee for consideration.
2. The Service Awards Committee and The Rotary Foundation Awards Review Committee will review ~~all eligible nominations~~ and recommend one winner and one alternate to the Board and Trustees at their meetings in January for selection.
3. The recipient of the award ~~and the nominating RRFC~~ will be notified about winning the award immediately after the January meetings of directors and trustees. Upon written acceptance of the award (including a commitment to receive the award in person at the Rotary International Convention), the winner will be announced to the other nominators and regional coordinators, and to the general public, as appropriate.
4. Presentation of the award will be made jointly by the trustee chairman and RI president during a plenary session at the Rotary International Convention.

#### 43.080.2. Nomination Procedure

1. Any member of the Rotary community, including Rotarians, alumni, and current program participants can nominate a candidate.

2. Nominations must be made on the prescribed form with a clear description of the candidate's achievements that would qualify the alumni association for this award; supplementary documentation or material is highly desirable. Nominations must be received at RI World Headquarters by 15 September.
3. The ~~regional Rotary Foundation coordinator (RRFC)~~ general secretary shall be responsible for the nomination process for their zone/region and should notify district governors of the deadline and procedures. ~~The RRFC will be provided with all nominations received from their zone/region by RI following the 15 September deadline.~~
4. ~~Each RRFC may select one candidate annually from the zone/region for which he or she is responsible for the international competition. All three regional coordinators should be involved in the selection process.~~
5. ~~RRFCs must submit their selection of zone/regional winner to RI World Headquarters by 15 October for the current year's award.~~

43.080.3. Selection Process

1. The general secretary will review all nominations to assure candidates meet the eligibility criteria and forward ~~them~~ the top candidates to the Service Awards Committee and The Rotary Foundation Awards Review Committee for consideration.
2. The Service Awards Committee and The Rotary Foundation Awards Review Committee will ~~review all eligible nominations and~~ recommend one winner and one alternate winner of the Rotary Alumni Association of the Year Award to be presented to the Board and Trustees at their respective meetings in January for selection.
3. The recipient of the award ~~and the nominating RRFC~~ will be notified about winning the award immediately after the January meetings of directors and trustees. Upon written acceptance of the award, the winner will be announced to the other nominators and regional coordinators, and to the general public, as appropriate.

## APPENDIX G

### AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES REGARDING INTERCOUNTRY COMMITTEES (Decision 45)

#### 41.020. 21.020. Intercountry Committees

~~Intercountry committees promote contact relationships between two or more international districts or two or more countries and clubs in two or more countries and to increase fellowship and intercultural understanding among the people of various nations, foster stronger ties between members, clubs, and districts from different countries, and establish networks across borders, continents, and oceans.~~

~~While only districts may form and join intercountry committees, individual Rotarians, their partners, Rotaractors, and Rotary and Rotaract clubs may participate in their activities. Rotarians are encouraged to create new intercountry committees to foster stronger ties between Rotarians, clubs, and districts from different countries and establish networks across borders, continents, and oceans. Intercountry committees should be promoted at RI, district and club meetings.~~

#### 41.020.1. 21.020.1. Mission Activities of Intercountry Committees

~~The mission of an intercountry committee is to build a force that will encourage Rotarians to~~ Recommended activities for Intercountry Committee participants include, but are not limited to: visiting each other's countries and homes, to strengthening friendships and projects so formed by encouraging clubs and districts to connect with clubs and districts in other countries, and to contribute contributing to world peace.

~~Recommended activities~~ Intercountry Committees may also:

- ~~sponsor~~ exchange best practices for sponsoring new Rotary clubs
- ~~develop a sister or twin club network relationship between clubs in participating countries~~
- ~~conduct Friendship Exchanges between the two countries~~
- ~~initiate or carry out International Service projects~~
- ~~initiate or carry out Vocational Service projects~~

#### 41.020.2. 21.020.2. Establishing an Intercountry Committee

Intercountry Committees can be national or sub-

national relationships between two countries. National intercountry committees require the consensus of all districts in a country. Sub-national intercountry committees require the consensus of all districts participating in the relationship. An established Intercountry Committee shall inform the Executive Council of its formation.

A. Establishing a National Intercountry Committee  
~~Intercountry committees should involve districts in two or more countries and act only in an advisory capacity to the governors. To form an Intercountry Committee between two or more countries, approval from all of the countries' district governors must be obtained. District governors from a given country who wish to delegate decision-making authority for establishing new national Intercountry Committees may do so with unanimous consent of all district governors in the country.~~

Qualified Interested Rotarians in each interested country should form a planning committee to establish an Intercountry Committee. The responsibilities of the planning committee include inviting district governors from each district in the country to participate, obtaining approval to organize an Intercountry Committee from each district's governor, electing an Intercountry Committee chair to lead the relationship, identifying potential projects, and activities for the ICC participants to undertake, and organizing a planning meeting. After the planning committee has completed these tasks, a national section should be developed in each participating country with the approval of the national coordinator and at least one district governor. The name of an intercountry committee shall be taken from the names of the participating countries. Should a district decide to leave the relationship, the relationship shall evolve into a subnational Intercountry Committee.

#### B. Establishing a subnational Intercountry Committee

To form a subnational Intercountry Committee between two or more districts, approval from all of the district governors must be obtained.

Interested Rotarians in each district should form a planning committee to establish a district-level Intercountry Committee. The responsibilities of the planning committee include obtaining approval to organize a subnational Intercountry Committee from each participating district governor, electing an Intercountry Committee chair to lead the relationship, inviting club presidents from each district to participate, identifying potential projects and activities for ICC participants to undertake, and organizing a planning meeting. The name of a subnational Intercountry Committee shall be taken from the names of the participating districts. Should a district decide to leave the relationship, the name of the ICC shall be updated to reflect the remaining participants.

41.020.3; 21.020.3. National Sections Governance  
An Intercountry Committee is led by an Intercountry Committee chair, elected from participating districts for a three-year term is comprised of the national sections that represent the districts in each participating country. National sections coordinate the activities and projects of the intercountry committee within one country. Representatives from each national section should meet during a general assembly to be held once a year, alternating from country to country. Leadership of the intercountry committee should rotate among the national section chairs on an annual basis. Intercountry Committees National sections must abide by the rules governing organizations in their country and ~~should~~ shall have officers including a chair, secretary, and treasurer. The chair of national sections should serve for three years while the other leaders should rotate on an annual basis.

~~While only districts may form and join intercountry committees, individual Rotarians, their spouses, Rotaractors, and Rotary clubs may participate in their activities.~~

#### 41.020.4. National Section Chair

~~The national section chair must be a Rotarian, preferably a past district governor, and shall be selected by the governor or group of governors representing the districts located in that country. In an advisory role to participating districts, the national section chair should assist the governor(s) in supervising and promoting the activity and projects of the committee, including the arrangement of contacts between clubs and districts in the partner countries. The national section chair appointment~~

~~term should be three years to ensure continuity in the work of the intercountry committees.~~

#### 41.020.5. National Coordinator

~~In countries that participate in more than one intercountry committee, a national coordinator should be appointed to oversee these activities and the individual national section chairs. The national coordinator collects reports from each national section chair in the country to forward the executive council each year. The national coordinator must be a Rotarian, preferably a past district governor, and shall be selected by the governor or group of governors representing the districts located in that country. The national coordinator appointment term should be three years to ensure continuity in the work of the intercountry committees.~~

#### 41.020.6; 21.020.4. Relationships with Districts

~~Intercountry Committees shall function under the direction and with the close cooperation of the respective governors. Districts participating in intercountry committees should appoint a Rotarian to serve as the district liaison to the national section chair are encouraged to collaborate with the district governors of participating districts as well as their district international service committees, if one is appointed.~~

#### 41.020.8; 21.020.5. ICC Executive Council

~~The ICC Executive Council is a resource for districts and countries wishing to form a new Intercountry Committee. The Executive Council collects and shares best practices for forming Intercountry Committees and subsequent projects and activities. The Executive Council maintains a list of Intercountry Committee Chairs and active Intercountry Committees, made available through its website.~~

~~An executive council is comprised of national coordinators representing each country that participates in intercountry committees. The president, two vice presidents, secretary and treasurer of the executive council should be elected by the national coordinator members. The Executive Council is led by a president, secretary and treasurer, elected by reported Intercountry Committee chairs. The president of the executive councils serves a three year term. The president of the Executive Council serves acts as the liaison between intercountry committees and Rotary International and should submit an annual report to RI in July each year, that~~

~~provides~~ The annual report shall include contact information for national coordinators, a list of participating districts in each national section, Intercountry Committee chairs, a list of Intercountry Committee relationships, and a summary of major projects and activities. Failure to submit an annual report by 1 August will result in termination of the president's term and will require the Executive Council members to elect a new president. The Executive Council may collect modest optional fees from established ICCs to cover website expenses. The Executive Council may not create additional governance or leadership positions for individual Intercountry Committees, nor does it have authority to approve or decline the formation of new ICCs.

~~41.020.9.~~ 21.020.6. Relationship with Rotary International

~~The organization and functioning of intercountry committees is the independent activity of individual districts and is not a part of the program of RI. Clubs and districts are encouraged to use established intercountry committee relationships to enhance their participation in Rotary Foundation programs, especially in the development of grants.~~

~~Activities of and information about intercountry committees will be published on the RI website and in *The Rotarian* magazine and the licensed regional magazines.~~

Establishing an Intercountry Committee in no way implies legal, financial or other obligation or responsibility on the part of RI, or any district or club. An Intercountry Committee may not act on behalf of RI, or represent or imply that it has authority to act on behalf of RI. An Intercountry Committee is not an agency of RI. Intercountry Committees must be self-sustaining financially, administratively, and otherwise. Intercountry Committees may not exist or function in any country in violation of the laws of such country.

~~41.020.7.~~ 21.020.7. Finances

Intercountry Committees shall function without financial support from Rotary International. Modest optional fees may be collected from participating districts to cover operating costs of the an Intercountry Committee. Participating districts should fund the costs of national sections and intercountry committee activities in their district. The fees may be used for administrative purposes or to support humanitarian projects and cannot be used

to offset travel or other expenses incurred by an individual as a result of participating in activities organized by an Intercountry Committee or the Executive Council. If an Intercountry Committee or the Executive Council elects to collect fees, the Intercountry Committee's leadership or Executive Council's leadership shall prepare a budget of estimated income and estimated expenditures for the year at the beginning of each fiscal year. All bills shall be paid by the treasurer, or other authorized officer, only after approval by two other officers. An annual financial review by a qualified person shall be made of all the Intercountry Committee's and Executive Council's financial transactions and be shared with all participating districts.



## APPENDIX H

### AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES REGARDING ADULT HARASSMENT (Decision 48)

#### **2.010. Membership of Clubs in RI**

RI is an association of member Rotary clubs, each of which has a direct relationship and common responsibility to the association with no national or other grouping of clubs intervening in the administration and functioning of the clubs as members of RI. Every member club of RI is expected to comply with the provisions of the constitutional documents which provide for the organizational structure and functioning of the club.

##### **2.010.1. Failure to Function**

In accordance with the RI Bylaws, the RI Board is responsible for ensuring that all member clubs of the association are functioning, and defines a functioning club as

[text omitted]

##### **8. Complying with requests from the RI Board to terminate a Rotarian's membership who admits to, is convicted of or is otherwise found to have engaged in harassment as defined in the Rotary Code of Policies.**

#### **~~7.020. Conducting Club/District/Zone Meetings~~**

~~Recognizing that clubs include members who have many beliefs and values, club, district and zone leaders should use good judgment in conducting meetings, events and other activities in a manner that reflects Rotary's basic principles of tolerance, providing a harassment free environment to all participants, and focus on humanitarian service projects.~~

##### ~~7.020.1. Decorum of Club/District/Zone Meetings~~

~~Any conduct, story, stunt, joke, or entertainment, whether verbal or physical, that denigrates, insults or offends a person or group based on any characteristic (age, ethnicity, race, color, abilities, religion, socioeconomic status, culture, sex, sexual orientations, or gender identity) is not appropriate for a Rotary club/district/zone meeting, event or activity.~~

#### **26.120. Harassment-free Environment at Meetings, Events, or Activities**

Rotary is committed to maintaining an environment that is free of ~~any form of~~ harassment. Harassment is broadly defined as any conduct, verbal or physical, that denigrates, insults or offends a person or group based on any characteristic (age, ethnicity, race, color, abilities, religion, socioeconomic status, culture, sex, sexual orientations, or gender identity).

All members and individuals attending or participating in Rotary meetings, events or activities should expect an environment free of harassment and shall help maintain an environment that promotes safety, courtesy, dignity, and respect to all. ~~Members and Rotary participants shall maintain an environment that promotes safety, courtesy, dignity, and respect to all.~~ Adults who work with youth are subject to policies outlined in Rotary Code of Policies section 2.120.

~~Harassment is broadly defined as any conduct, verbal or physical, that denigrates, insults or offends a person or group based on any characteristic (age, ethnicity, race, color, abilities, religion, socioeconomic status, culture, sex, sexual orientations, or gender identity).~~

All allegations of criminal activity should be referred to appropriate local law enforcement authorities.

The club board, district, or zone ~~event~~ leadership shall promptly address allegations of ~~inappropriate behavior, including~~ harassment and shall not retaliate against those making the allegation. ~~All allegations of criminal behavior must be referred to local law enforcement.~~

At the club level, allegations of harassment at Rotary meetings, events or activities shall be reviewed by the club board and responded to within a reasonable timeframe, typically one ~~week~~ month. If the alleged offender is a member of the club board, he or she must recuse himself or herself from the discussion. The review and/or investigation shall be dependent on the circumstances including the severity and pervasiveness

of the behavior. Concerns that ~~Failure to adequately address~~ allegations of harassment ~~were not adequately addressed by the club,~~ may be referred with appropriate documentation to the district governor.

At the district level, allegations of harassment at Rotary events or activities shall be reviewed by the governor, or a committee appointed by the governor for this purpose, and responded to within a reasonable time-frame, typically one ~~week~~ month. If the district governor is the alleged offender, the immediate past district governor (or most recent past governor), directly or by appointment of a committee for this purpose, shall review and respond to the allegation. ~~Rotary's~~ The general secretary shall be informed within two weeks of any allegations of harassment by district governors, governors-elect, and governors-nominee. The review and/or investigation shall be dependent on the circumstances including the severity and pervasiveness of the behavior. ~~Failure to adequately address~~ Concerns that allegations of harassment were not adequately addressed by the district, may be referred with appropriate documentation to the RI director.

At the zone level, allegations of harassment at Rotary meetings, events or activities shall be reviewed by the RI Director, or a committee appointed by the RI Director for this purpose, and responded to within a reasonable time-frame, typically one ~~week~~ month. If the RI Director is the alleged offender, ~~the immediate past RI Director (or most recent past~~ either another current or past RI Director as appointed by the RI President ~~directly or by appointment of a committee for this purpose,~~ shall review and respond to the allegation.

The RI president shall be informed within two weeks of any allegations of harassment by RI directors, directors-elect, and directors-nominee. ~~Failure to adequately address~~ Concerns that allegations of harassment were not adequately addressed by the zone, may be referred with appropriate documentation to the RI president.

Club, District and Zone leaders must report severe and pervasive harassment and any resulting membership terminations to the general secretary. If a club or district fails to adequately address findings of harassment, the RI director shall notify the RI Board for appropriate action. Such action may include club termination or other appropriate sanctions.

## APPENDIX I

### PROPOSED LEGISLATION FOR THE 2022 COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION (Decision 51)

#### PROPOSED ENACTMENT 22-

To extend the term of directors to three years

**Proposer(s):** Board of Directors of RI

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

*in article 5 (page 20 MOP)*

#### **Article 5 Board of Directors**

##### **5.080. Terms and Qualifications of Directors.**

###### **5.080.1. Terms.**

Directors serve a term of ~~two~~ three years, beginning 1 July in the year next following their election, or until their successors are elected.

###### Interim Provision Relating to Subsection 5.080.1.

Amendments to subsection 5.080.1. adopted by the 2022 Council on Legislation pursuant to Council Enactment 22- shall be implemented by the board in a manner it deems appropriate beginning with the class of directors elected in 2022-23.

*and in article 6 (page 21 MOP)*

#### **Article 6 Officers**

##### **6.030. Selection of Vice-President and Treasurer.**

The vice-president and treasurer are selected by the incoming president at the board's first meeting from among the ~~second-year~~ second or third-year directors for a one-year term beginning on 1 July.

##### **6.090. Vacancy in the Office of Vice-President or Treasurer.**

For a vacancy in the office of vice-president or treasurer, the president shall select a ~~second-year~~ second or third-year director to fill the unexpired term.

*and in article 11 (page 32 MOP)*

#### **Article 11 Nominations and Elections for Directors**

##### **11.010. Nominations for Directors by Zones.**

###### **11.010.2. Schedule of Nominations.**

Each zone shall nominate a director from its clubs' membership every ~~fourth~~ sixth year according to a schedule established by the board.

###### Interim Provision Relating to Subsection 11.010.2.

Amendments to subsection 11.010.2. adopted by the 2022 Council on Legislation pursuant to Council Enactment 22- shall be implemented by the board in a manner it deems appropriate beginning with the class of directors elected in 2022-23.

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## APPENDIX J

### PROPOSED LEGISLATION FOR THE 2022 COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION (Decision 51)

#### PROPOSED ENACTMENT 22-

To amend the provisions regarding standing committees

**Proposer(s):** Board of Directors of RI

To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows (page ## MOP)

#### Article 17 Committees

##### **17.010. Standing Committees.**

The board shall establish the following standing committees ~~on~~:

- (a) audit
- (b) constitution and bylaws
- (c) districting
- (d) election review
- (e) finance
- (f) membership
- (g) operations review
- (h) strategic planning

- ~~(a) communications with six members, two appointed each year for three year terms;~~
- ~~(b) constitution and bylaws with three members, one appointed each year for a three year term, except that in the year of the council on legislation there shall be four members, with the most recent past member serving a fourth year;~~
- ~~(c) conventions with six members, including the chair of the host organization for the convention. The president may appoint as chair a Rotarian who previously served for two years as a member of a conventions committee but not as chair. In addition to the chair of a convention committee, one other member may be a person who previously served on a convention committee;~~
- ~~(d) districting with three members, one appointed each year from the board for a three year term;~~
- ~~(e) election review with six members, two appointed each year for three year terms;~~
- ~~(f) finance with eight members, six serving three-year terms with two members appointed each year, plus the RI treasurer and one board member appointed by the board, both serving one year terms as non-voting members; and~~

- ~~(g) Rotaract with three members, one appointed each year for a three year term, plus three Rotaractors, with the committee co chaired by one member and one Rotaractor.~~

##### **17.020. Standing and Other Committees.**

The board may establish other committees, as needed. ~~and For standing and other committees, the board shall, in accordance with the provisions of section 17.050., determine, subject to the provisions of section 17.100.;~~

- (a) the number of members;
- (b) the terms of members;
- (c) the qualification of members;
- ~~(e)~~ (d) the duties and authority; and
- ~~(d)~~ (e) the continuity of members from year to year.

For those committees that serve RI and TRF, the Board and Trustees shall jointly determine the number, terms, qualifications, duties, and continuity of members from year to year.

##### **17.030. Special Committees Exceptions.**

The provisions of sections 17.010., 17.020., 17.080., and 17.090. 17.040., and 17.050. do not apply to any nominating committees or any committee formed under sections 17.040. 17.070.

##### **17.040. Membership Committee.**

The board shall appoint a membership committee composed of at least eight members appointed for at least three year terms on a staggered basis and eligible for reappointment.

##### **17.050. Strategic Planning Committee.**

The board and the TRF trustees shall appoint a strategic planning committee with eight members. Two members shall be appointed each year, one by the board and one by the trustees, for four year terms. No member shall be a board member, a TRF trustee, or a past president. The chair and vice chair shall be jointly appointed by the RI president and the TRF chair. Members who served fewer than three years may be reappointed. Members shall be selected to balance experience in long term planning, RI or TRF programs and activities, and financial management. The committee shall meet as decided by the president, the board, the TRF chair, or the TRF trustees.

**17.060. Audit Committee.**

~~The board shall appoint an audit committee with seven members, each of whom shall be independent and financially literate. The committee shall include two board members appointed annually by the board and one trustee appointed annually by the TRF trustees. In addition, the committee shall include four members appointed by the board, who are not board members or trustees, for single terms of six years. The committee shall review and report to the board as appropriate on RI and TRF financial reports, the external audit, the system of internal control, internal audit, and related matters. The committee advises the board and trustees under terms of reference not in conflict with this section, prescribed by the board and trustees. The committee shall meet up to three times per year. The president, the board, or the committee chair shall determine the time, place, manner, and notice of regular meetings. For additional meetings, the president or committee chair may determine the time, place, manner, and notice. The chair of the operations review committee (or the chair's designee) shall serve as a liaison to the audit committee.~~

**17.070. Operations Review Committee.**

~~The board shall appoint an operations review committee with six members, for single terms up to six years, with one member appointed each year as appropriate to maintain six members. No member shall be a past president, current board member, or current TRF trustee. Members shall be selected to balance experience in management, leadership development, and financial management. The president or the board shall determine the time, place, manner, and notice of meetings. As deemed necessary by the board or the president, the operations review committee may review operational matters, including, but not limited to, the effectiveness and efficiency of operations, administrative procedures, and standards of conduct. The committee reports directly to the board under terms of reference not in conflict with this section, prescribed by the board.~~

**17.080. 17.030. Membership on Committees.**

Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, the president shall appoint the members of the committees and any subcommittees after consulting the board. The president shall designate the chair of each committee and subcommittee and serve as an ex officio member of all RI committees.

**17.090. 17.040. Meetings.**

Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, the president shall determine the time, place, manner, and notice of all meetings of committees and subcommittees. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum, and

the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting with a quorum shall be the act of the committee or subcommittee.

**17.100. 17.050. Term of Service.**

Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, no person may serve on the same RI committee for more than ~~three years~~ one term. No person who has served on a committee for ~~three years~~ a full term is eligible for later appointment to the same committee. This section does not apply to ad hoc committees or ex officio members.

**17.060. Committees Exceptions.**

The provisions of sections 17.010., 17.020., 17.030., 17.040., and 17.050. do not apply to any nominating committees.

**17.110. 17.070. Secretary of Committees.**

The general secretary is the secretary of all committees, unless the board otherwise provides. The general secretary may appoint another person to serve as secretary.

**17.120. 17.080. Quorum.**

A majority of all committee members is a quorum for a meeting, unless otherwise provided in the bylaws or by the board.

**17.130. 17.090. Manner of Conducting Business.**

A committee may conduct business by any manner of communication under rules of procedure prescribed by the board, unless contrary to the bylaws.

**17.140. 17.100. Authority over Committees.**

All committees are subject to board control and supervision pursuant to subsection 5.010.2.(c). All committee actions and decisions are subject to board approval, except the decision of the nominating committee for president in selecting a president-nominee. However, the board has jurisdiction over all actions and decisions that are in violation of article 13.

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## APPENDIX K

### INTERNATIONAL ASSEMBLY GUIDELINES AND TEMPLATE (Decision 55)

#### Guidelines

##### Purpose

To prepare governors-elect to assume the role of governor and serve as an effective leader in their district.

##### Desired Outcomes

After the International Assembly, participants will:

- Understand and support Rotary's organizational priorities and strategic plan
- Feel prepared to assume the role of governor and lead their district
- Appreciate the internationality of Rotary and recognize opportunities for personal and professional connection

##### Program

- The program should be designed to increase understanding and support of Rotary's current strategic plan
- Organizational priorities and the role of the governor should be included
- Each day should have different session formats to ensure engagement through variety

- Evenings should be a mix of programming to build the team through social events and free time for participants to reenergize
- Speakers and leaders for the event should reflect geographic diversity
- Speakers and leaders for the event should have no more than 60 percent of one gender represented
- All elements of the program need to fit within the approved International Assembly budget
- The partner program should complement the governor-elect program

##### Schedule

- All elements of the assembly must be scheduled within the parameters of the current venue contract
- Three meals per day will be offered to the participants
- Programming shouldn't begin before 8:30 a.m. and should end by 6:00 p.m. each day (this does not include meals or evening social events)
- All breaks will be 30 minutes to allow for transit and networking
- Lunch break will be 1 hour 45 minutes to allow for special PE meals, networking, and rest

International Assembly Template						
Date	Sunday, Major Arrival Day	Monday, Day 1	Tuesday, Day 2	Wednesday, Day 3	Thursday, Day 4	Friday, Departure Day (No activities)
Breakfast						
Morning Block 1						
Morning Block 2						
Lunch						
Afternoon Block 1						
Afternoon Block 2						
Dinner / Evening Event						

## APPENDIX M

### AMENDMENTS TO THE STANDARD ROTARACT CLUB CONSTITUTION AND THE RECOMMENDED ROTARACT CLUB BYLAWS

(Decision 57)

#### STANDARD ROTARACT CLUB CONSTITUTION

##### Article 1 — Name

The name of this organization shall be the Rotaract Club of \_\_\_\_\_.

This organization shall be sponsored by the Rotary Club(s) of \_\_\_\_\_.

##### Article 2 — Purpose

The purposes of this club are for:

Rotary members to recognize the positive change implemented by youth and young adults as the fifth Avenue of Service, Youth Service, through an active and personal commitment to empower young adults and young professionals to take action through community and international service, develop leadership skills through professional development, and gain a global perspective that fosters world peace and cultural understanding as partners in service; and for

Students and young professionals to take action through community and international service that creates sustainable solutions to local and global challenges, connect with the global community of Rotary to expand professional networks, exchange ideas with leaders, and cultivate lifelong friendship around the world, develop skills to become community and global leaders, make friends locally and globally, and have fun while recognizing the importance of *Service Above Self*.

##### Article 3 — Sponsorship

1. The ~~Rotary club~~ sponsor(s) of this Rotaract club, through a joint committee of ~~Rotarians~~, the number of members which shall be determined by the club, shall provide guidance and support to this Rotaract club.
2. This club is not a part of, and neither this club nor its members have any rights or privileges with respect to, the sponsor ~~Rotary~~ club(s).
3. This club is a non-political, non-sectarian organization.
4. This Rotaract may be university-based\* or community-based. Where the Rotaract club is university-based, control and counsel by the sponsor ~~Rotary~~ club(s) shall be exercised in full cooperation

with university authorities, with the understanding that such clubs are subject to the same regulations and policies established by the university authorities for all student organizations and extracurricular activities of the university.

5. To maintain active certified status from RI, this club's president shall update club and membership information to RI each year no later than 30 June. Failure to submit updated club and membership information to RI ~~in a two-year period~~ annually will result in termination.
6. ~~This Rotaract club depends upon the continued active personal participation of the sponsor Rotary club(s). In the event that the sponsor Rotary club is terminated, the governor of the Rotary district must install another sponsor Rotary club; if one cannot be found and reported to RI within 180 days, the Rotaract club will be terminated.~~

*\*As used in this constitution, the term "university" is intended to include all institutions of higher education.*

##### Article 4 — Membership

1. Eligible members should be students and young professionals of good character and leadership potential aged 18 and over ~~to 30~~.
2. The method of admitting new members to this club, as provided in the bylaws, shall be determined by this club in consultation with the sponsor ~~Rotary~~ club(s). The method of admitting new members of university-based Rotaract clubs shall have the approval of the appropriate university authorities.
3. Membership shall automatically terminate (a) ~~upon reaching 31 years of age, without contradicting regulations and policies established by the university authorities for university based clubs; or (b)~~ upon termination of the club; or (e) upon failure to meet attendance requirements unless excused by the board of directors of this club for good and sufficient reason.
4. Membership may be terminated for cause, as determined by this club by vote of not less than 2/3 of all the members in good standing.

##### Article 5 — Meetings

1. The club shall meet as provided in the bylaws, at a time and place suited to the convenience of the members.

2. Attendance may be in person, through online meetings, or using online connections for members whose attendance otherwise would be precluded.
3. The board of directors shall meet as provided in the bylaws.
4. Meetings of the club and of the board of directors may be cancelled during holiday or vacation periods or for cause at the discretion of the board of directors.

#### **Article 6 — Committees**

The president, with the approval of the board, may appoint standing or special committees as necessary or convenient for the administration of the club, citing their duties at the time of appointment. All special committees shall lapse upon the completion of their duties or upon discharge by the president.

#### **Article 7 — Officers and Directors**

1. The officers of this club shall be a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and such additional officer(s) as provided in the bylaws.
2. The governing body of this club shall be a board of directors composed of the president, immediate past president (if available), vice president, secretary, treasurer, and additional directors whose number shall be determined by this club, all to be elected from among the members in good standing. All decisions, policies, and actions of the board and of the club shall be subject to the provisions of this constitution and policy established by Rotary International. If university-based, this club shall be subject to the same regulations and policies established by the appropriate authorities for all student organizations and extracurricular activities of the university. The board of directors shall have general control over all officers and committees and may, for good cause, declare any office vacant. It shall constitute a board of appeals from the rulings of all officers and actions of all committees.
3. Elections of officers and directors shall be held annually by methods compatible with local customs and procedures, as provided in the bylaws, but in no case shall more than simple majority of the members present and in good standing be required for elections. The term of office of all officers and directors shall be one year, unless a shorter term is provided in the bylaws.
4. All incoming Rotaract club officers, directors, and committee chairs shall be provided with leadership training from the district Rotaract committee.

#### **Article 8 — Activities and Projects**

1. This club shall be responsible for planning, organizing, financing, and conducting its own activities

and shall itself supply money, labor, and creative imagination necessary thereto, except in the case of joint projects or activities undertaken in cooperation with other organizations, such responsibility shall be shared with such other organization(s).

2. This club shall undertake among its activities at least two major service projects annually, one designed to serve the community and the other designed to serve the international community, and each shall involve all or most of the members of the club.
3. It is the responsibility of the club to raise the funds necessary to carry out its program. It should not solicit or accept more than occasional or incidental financial assistance from Rotary club(s) or other Rotaract clubs. Sponsor clubs may provide financial support when mutually agreed upon. All funds raised for service projects must be expended for that purpose.

#### **Article 9 — Fees and Dues**

1. All sponsor ~~Rotary~~ club(s) must pay a certification fee to Rotary International, set by the RI Board of Directors, for new or reinstated Rotaract clubs.
2. Fees, dues, or assessments on the membership of the club may be levied for the purpose of meeting the administrative costs of the club. Funds for activities and projects undertaken by the club shall be raised apart from such fees, dues, or assessments and shall be placed into a separate account. A thorough audit by a qualified person shall be made once each year of all the club's financial transactions.
3. Rotaract clubs should establish financial guidelines to ensure that all funds are managed in a responsible and transparent manner, including all monies collected to support service projects, consistent with laws and banking regulations in the country, including plans for disbursement of funds should the Rotaract club disband or be terminated.

#### **Article 10 — Acceptance of Constitution and Bylaws**

Every member of the club, by acceptance of membership, thereby accepts the principles of Rotaract as expressed in its purpose and agrees to comply with the constitution and bylaws of this club, and on these conditions alone is entitled to the privileges of the club. No member shall be absolved from the observance of the constitution and bylaws on the plea that a copy of them has not been received.

#### **Article 11 — Bylaws**

The club shall adopt bylaws, together with such amendments as are not inconsistent with this constitution and which may be deemed necessary or convenient for the governance of the club, provided that such amend-



ments are adopted in accordance with the amendment procedure prescribed in the “Recommended Rotaract Club Bylaws.”

#### Article 12 — Name and logo

The name and logo of Rotaract shall be used exclusively by Rotaract members. Each member of this club shall be entitled to wear or otherwise display the Rotaract name and logo in a dignified and appropriate manner during the period of membership. Such entitlement shall be relinquished upon termination of membership or termination of this club.

#### Article 13 — Duration

This club shall exist so long as it continues to function in accordance with the provisions of this constitution and policy relating to Rotaract established by Rotary International, or until it is terminated:

- a) by Rotary International, with or without the consent, approval or concurrence of the sponsor Rotary club, for:
  - 1) failure to function in accordance with its constitution
  - 2) initiating, or maintaining, or retaining in its membership an individual who initiates or maintains litigation against a Rotary district, Rotary International, or The Rotary Foundation, including their directors, trustees, officers, and employees, or
  - 3) for other cause
- b) by its sponsor ~~Rotary~~ club(s), or
- c) by the Rotaract club itself upon its determination.

Upon termination of this club, all rights and privileges relating to the Rotaract name and logo shall be relinquished by the club and by its members individually and collectively.

#### Article 14 — Administration

This constitution shall be amended only by the Board of Directors of Rotary International, and all amendments to this prescribed “Standard Rotaract Club Constitution” shall be automatically adopted by each Rotaract club.

[END]

#### RECOMMENDED ROTARACT CLUB BYLAWS

*Club bylaws supplement the Standard Rotaract Club Constitution and establish common club practices. The bylaws in this document are recommendations.*

*Customize them to reflect your club’s practices, confirm that they are not in conflict with the Standard Rotaract Club Constitution and the current Rotary Code of Policies. The sponsor-~~Rotary~~ club(s) must approve these bylaws and any amendments where applicable.*

Bylaws of the Rotaract Club of \_\_\_\_\_

Adopted by the Rotaract Club of \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by the ~~Rotary~~ Club(s) of \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_

#### Article 1 — Definitions

1. Board: The club’s board of directors
2. Director: A member of the club’s board of directors
3. Member: A member of the club
4. Quorum: The minimum number of participants who must be present when a vote is taken: majority of the club’s members for club decisions and a majority of the directors for club board decisions
5. RI: Rotary International
6. Year: The 12-month period that begins on 1 July

*Your club may choose how it defines a quorum for voting purposes.*

#### Article 2 — Elections and Terms of Office

1. Election for the offices of president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and directors shall be held annually prior to \_\_\_\_\_. Those elected shall take office on 1 July.
2. One month before elections, nominations for president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and any open director positions may be presented in writing, from the floor, or both. Those candidates receiving a majority of the votes of the members present and in good standing shall be elected.
3. The method of election shall be \_\_\_\_\_
4. If any officer or board member vacates a position, the remaining members of the board will appoint a replacement for the remainder of the term.
5. The terms of office for each role are:

President — one year

Vice President — \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary — \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer — \_\_\_\_\_

Director — \_\_\_\_\_

*The Standard Rotaract Club Constitution requires that your club's bylaws specify an election process, but in no case shall more than simple majority of the members present and in good standing be required for elections.*

### **Article 3 — Duties of Officers**

1. The president presides at all meetings of the club and the board of directors. The president, with the approval of the board, appoints all standing and special committees and fills vacancies in the board of directors by appointment until the next regular election of the club. The president is an ex officio member of all committees. The president maintains regular communication with the sponsor ~~Rotary~~ club(s), the district Rotaract ~~representative leader~~, and Rotary International.
2. The vice president succeeds the office of president in the event of the removal of the latter for whatever cause, and, in the absence of the president, presides at all meetings of the club and of the board.
3. The secretary maintains all club records, records minutes of all the meetings of the club and of the board, and provides copies of such to the sponsor ~~Rotary~~ club(s) upon request.
4. The treasurer oversees all funds and provides an annual accounting of them. The treasurer shall make all disbursements under procedures determined by the board. The treasurer shall make all records available for inspection by any club member upon request.
5. The board of directors shall be the governing body of the club, as provided in the constitution. In the absence of the president or vice president, the board of directors may select an officer or director to preside at the meetings of the club. It shall make an annual report to the club to apprise all members of the club's operations. It shall hold regularly scheduled meetings, which shall be open to the attendance of any club member in good standing. Members attending such meetings, however, shall not address the meeting except with the permission of the board.

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*Additional officer's duties and terms of office may be included here.*

### **Article 4 — Committees**

The president, with the approval of the board of directors, may appoint the following standing committees, additional committees, or special committees as necessary or convenient for the administration of the club, citing their duties at the time of appointment:

1. *International service.* This committee shall identify opportunities in order to plan and implement at least one activity or service project annually designed to create sustainable change that directly benefits the international community, involving all or most of the club membership.
2. *Community service.* This committee shall identify in order to plan and implement at least one activity or service project annually designed to create sustainable change that directly benefits the local or university community, involving all or most of the club membership.
3. *Professional development.* This committee shall develop a comprehensive professional development program designed to expand professional networks, allow members to exchange ideas with other leaders, and build skills through leadership training.
4. *Finance.* This committee shall devise ways to finance any and all club activities requiring funds, in cooperation with the appropriate committee.
5. *Club.* This committee shall be responsible for tracking attendance, developing membership, promoting activities, coordinating public relations, and other matters as appropriate.
6. *Foundation.* This committee shall provide training opportunities, develop fundraising strategies, and share information with the club's members in support of The Rotary Foundation.

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*Additional committees and their duties may be included here.*

### **Article 5 — Meetings**

1. An annual meeting of this club, ~~and~~ the board of directors, and sponsor Rotary club(s) is held no later than \_\_\_\_\_ each year for the purpose of discussing plans and objectives for the year and/or upcoming year, ~~and reaffirming the responsibilities and commitment of the sponsorship relationship.~~
2. This club meets as follows: \_\_\_\_\_. Reasonable notice of any change or cancellation of the regular meeting will be given to all club members.
3. Each member of this club shall attend at least - \_\_\_\_\_% of this club's regularly scheduled meetings.
4. The board meets as follows: \_\_\_\_\_. Special meetings of the board are called with reasonable notice by the president or upon the request of two board members.
5. An annual meeting of this club, the board of directors, and sponsor club(s) is held no later than \_\_\_\_\_ each year for the purpose of reaffirming the responsibilities and commitment of

the sponsorship relationship. One or more members of the sponsor ~~Rotary~~ club(s) shall attend no fewer than \_\_\_\_\_ regular meetings of the club annually, and no fewer than \_\_\_\_\_ regular or special meetings of the board of directors annually.\*

6. Any member absent from a regularly scheduled meeting of the club may make up for an absence in any of the following ways be made up as follows:
  - a) attend a regular meeting of any other another Rotaract club or Rotary club; or
  - b) attend and participate in a club service project or a club-sponsored community event; or
  - c) attend a convention or pre-convention of RI, a Rotary or Rotaract district or multi-district conference or training seminar, or other meeting authorized by the board.
7. A majority of the members in good standing shall constitute a quorum at any regular or special meeting of the club. Any four members of the board, one of whom must be the president or vice president, shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the board.

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*\*For Rotaract clubs that have a Rotary or Rotaract club sponsor it is recommended to plan at least one annual meeting and outline attendance responsibilities at regular meetings to encourage collaboration, communication, and establish clear expectations of the sponsorship relationship.*

#### **Article 6 — Fees and Dues**

1. The admission for the new members shall be \_\_\_\_\_. Annual dues shall be \_\_\_\_\_ per member.
2. All fees and dues must be paid before a member will be considered in good standing.

#### **Article 7 — Method of Admitting Members**

1. A member may propose a candidate, a prospective member may make a request, or another club may propose one of its transferring or former members to join this club. The method of admitting new members of university-based Rotaract clubs shall have the approval of the appropriate school authorities.
2. The club should approve or reject a candidate's membership within \_\_\_\_\_ days and notify the candidate of its decision.

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*Additional qualifications or procedures for admitting new members may also be included here. A process to address objections raised by current members may also be included here.*

#### **Article 8 — Amendments**

1. These bylaws may be amended by majority vote of the members in good standing at any regular or special meeting of the club at which a quorum is present, provided notice of intention to call such a vote is given at least fourteen days earlier at a meeting of the club at which a quorum is present, and provided such amendment is approved by the sponsor Rotary club(s).
2. Changes to these bylaws must be consistent with the Standard Rotaract Club Constitution and the Rotary Code of Policies.

[END]

## APPENDIX N

### AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES REGARDING YOUTH PROTECTION (Decision 58)

#### 2.120. Youth Protection

##### 2.120.1. Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth

Rotary International strives to create and maintain a safe environment for all youth who participate in Rotary activities. To the best of their ability, Rotarians, Rotarians' partners, and other volunteers must safeguard the children and young people with whom they come into contact ~~with~~ and protect them from physical, sexual, and ~~emotional~~ psychological abuse.

##### 2.120.2. Sexual Abuse and Harassment Prevention and Reporting Procedures

~~All Rotarians, clubs and districts should follow the statement of conduct for working with youth and RI guidelines for abuse and harassment prevention established by the general secretary. The guidelines include the following requirements: To uphold the Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth all clubs and districts must ensure the abuse and harassment prevention and reporting requirements are followed as established by the general secretary:~~

1. RI has a zero-tolerance policy against abuse and harassment.
2. All district governors-elect must complete youth protection training before the start of their term as governor, as determined by the general secretary.
3. Districts participating in any youth programs may develop and implement youth protection policies according to local customs. Districts participating in Rotary Youth Exchange must develop and implement youth protection policies as outlined in Rotary Code of Policies Article 41.070 Rotary Youth Exchange.
4. Districts participating in any youth program should appoint youth protection officer. The youth protection officer should advise clubs and the district related to abuse and harassment prevention, assist districts to manage risks and crises that impact the safety of youth, should have professional experience in counseling, social work, law, law enforcement, or child development, and may be a Rotarian or non-Rotarian.

5. All allegations of abuse or harassment shall be reported ~~by the district~~ to RI within 72 hours of ~~the time a district officer learns~~ learning of the incident. ~~Districts must identify a person within the district who will be responsible for reporting to RI. Failure to report incidents to RI within 72 hours may result in suspension of the district's Youth Exchange certification. Upon learning that an individual, club, or district knowingly has failed to timely report an allegation, the RI Board may terminate the club.~~

- 4-6. Any allegation of abuse must be immediately reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency, in accordance with RI's zero-tolerance policy. All law enforcement reviews must be conducted by legal authorities that are not affiliated with Rotary.

- 2-7. In addition to reporting to law enforcement for investigation, Aan independent and thorough investigation must be made by the club and district into any claims of ~~sexual~~ abuse or harassment including a determination for how to prevent a similar situation in the future.

- 3-8. Any ~~adult person~~ involved in a Rotary ~~youth program~~ against whom an allegation of sexual abuse or harassment is made must be removed from all contact with youth until the matter is resolved.

- 6-9. A club must terminate the membership of any ~~Rotarian individual~~ who admits to, is convicted of or is otherwise ~~found known~~ found known to have engaged in sexual abuse or harassment of youth or youth program participants. A ~~non-Rotarian~~ Rotarian or non-Rotary volunteer who admits to, is convicted of, or is otherwise ~~found known~~ found known to have engaged in sexual abuse or sexual harassment or other act of moral turpitude must be prohibited from working with youth in a Rotary context. A club may not grant membership to a person who is known to have engaged in sexual abuse or harassment. (Upon obtaining information that a club has knowingly failed to terminate the membership of such a Rotarian an individual, the RI Board ~~will take steps to have the Rotarian's membership terminated, including action to may~~ will take steps to may terminate the club's ~~charter~~ for failure to comply).

7-10. If an investigation into a claim of sexual abuse or harassment is inconclusive, then, for the safety of youth participants and the protection of the accused, additional safeguards must be put in place to assure the protection of any youth with whom the individual may have future contact. If there are subsequent claims of sexual abuse or harassment, the ~~adult~~ individual shall be permanently prohibited from working with youth in a Rotary context. Regardless of criminal or civil guilt, the continued presence of the adult could be detrimental to the reputation of the organization and could be harmful to youth. ~~It can also benefit the adult in preventing additional accusations from other youth.~~ A person who is accused but later cleared of charges, may apply to be reinstated to participate in youth programs. Reinstatement is not a right, and no guarantee is made that ~~he or she~~ any individual will be reinstated to ~~his or her~~ a former position.

11. Districts must track all individuals prohibited from contact with youth and ensure such prohibitions are implemented consistently throughout the district from year to year.

12. Individuals prohibited from working with youth may not serve as District Interact Chair, Interact Club Adviser, District RYLA Chair, District Youth Exchange Chair, District Youth Protection Officer, or in any other locally-appointed club or district role where there may be contact with youth.

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#### **41.070. Rotary Youth Exchange**

*Rotary Youth Exchange is a program of Rotary International, adopted by the Board in 1974.*

The Rotary Youth Exchange program provides young people with the opportunity to meet individuals from other countries, experience new cultures through life in another country. Host clubs, host families, and communities are enriched ~~by extended, friendly contact with someone~~ through engagement with students from a different cultures. The program instills in young people the concept of international understanding and goodwill and helps develop intercultural competency which is essential to building and sustaining peace.

These policies assist clubs and districts to implement Youth Exchange activities effectively and responsibly, and pertain to both long-term and short-term exchanges, unless otherwise indicated.

Any other provisions consistent with these policies may be adopted by clubs or districts. Districts may reassign some responsibilities specified in these policies from one role to another.

##### **41.070.1. District Governor Authority**

Each governor is responsible for the supervision and control of the Youth Exchange program within the district. The district Youth Exchange officers, or committees, are under the supervision of their respective governors and should report to them.

Governors are required to complete youth protection training as outlined in Rotary Code of Policies section 2.120. and are encouraged to use the period between their nomination and assuming office to learn as much as possible about the Youth Exchange program in the district and the qualifications and skills of those who administer it.

##### **41.070.2. District Certification Program**

The general secretary shall administer a district certification program. All ~~club and~~ district Youth Exchange programs shall comply with RI youth protection policies and other requirements set forth by the general secretary in order to be certified. To participate in the Youth Exchange program ~~a both host and sending~~ districts must be certified by the general secretary.

The certification process requires all district Youth Exchange programs to provide RI with evidence that they have adopted the certification requirements in their Long-term and Short-term exchange programs (including any tours or camps). Failure by individual Rotarians, clubs, or districts to administer the program in accordance with these requirements may result in termination of a district's Youth Exchange certification.

The general secretary may grant waivers to districts that have implemented alternative policy and alternative procedures that meet the intent of RI policy in instances when RI policy or certification requirements are contrary to local law. If local circumstances are such that a district cannot legally meet any of the requirements, districts must provide the general secretary evidence of the specific circumstances that prohibit compliance and a

written explanation of alternative procedures that maintain the intent of the policy or requirements. The general secretary will evaluate and determine whether the alternatives posited by districts meet the intent of the policy, and may bring matters to the Board should circumstances warrant.

Other certification policies include:

A. Certification of Districts for Sending Students Only

Districts that wish to send outbound students without serving as hosts for inbound students, the general secretary may waive certification requirements related to hosting inbound students can apply for outbound-only certification.

B. Certification of Multi-country Districts

In multi-country districts where not all countries within the district wish to participate in the Youth Exchange program, the general secretary ~~may waive~~ will only grant certification to requirements for non-participating countries that meet certification requirements.

41.070.3. Incorporation Legal Entity

Districts must establish a corporation or similar formal legal entity that includes the district Youth Exchange program. This requirement may be met by incorporating the district Youth Exchange program, a group of programs that includes Youth Exchange, or the district as a whole in accordance with *Rotary Code of Policies* 17.020.

Districts may also meet this requirement by affiliation with an incorporated multidistrict Youth Exchange program for the districts' activities that are conducted within the scope of the multidistrict program.

41.070.5. International Travel by Youth

No individual Rotarian, club, or district shall undertake an alternative program structure to send minors abroad that circumvents RI youth protection policies, the foregoing Youth Exchange policy, or the immigration and travel policies of any nation or government.

No individual Rotarian, club, or district shall assist or cooperate in sending a young person abroad on an international travel activity unless careful plans are made in advance covering every aspect of the proposed trip, including approval from the district youth protection officer and district Youth Exchange chair. In districts without a youth protection officer, the district governor

and the district Youth Exchange committee chair must approve the arrangements.

No ~~club~~ district should provide an identification card, letter of introduction, request for assistance or other credential or document intended to identify or introduce a young person to a ~~club or clubs~~ district in another country, unless complete mutual agreement has been reached in advance with respect to the hospitality or assistance to be provided by the host ~~club~~ district.

No ~~club~~ district is obliged to provide hospitality or assistance to any young person from another country, despite any documented or claimed sponsorship of a Rotary club or district, unless the host ~~club~~ district has specifically agreed in advance to provide such hospitality or assistance.

41.070.7. Reporting to Rotary International

~~Districts shall provide to RI student data according to certification requirements determined by the general secretary for each inbound student hosted by the district prior to the beginning of an exchange.~~

All ~~serious~~ incidents, including but not limited to, accidents, death, early returns, ~~and~~ crimes, and any allegations of abuse or harassment shall be reported ~~by the district~~ to RI within 72 hours of ~~the time a district officer learns~~ learning of the incident. ~~Districts must identify a person within the district who will be responsible for reporting to RI.~~ Failure to report incidents to RI within 72 hours may result in suspension of the district's Youth Exchange certification or other measures as determined by the general secretary for failure to comply. Upon learning that an individual, club, or district knowingly has failed to timely report, the RI Board may terminate the club.

Districts shall provide to RI student data according to certification requirements determined by the general secretary.

41.070.8. Types of Exchanges

The Youth Exchange program includes two distinct program types:

A. Long-term Exchange Program

Long-term exchanges should be for one academic year but may be extended to include part or all of the holiday periods immediately preceding and immediately following the academic year. Students are required to attend school in the host country.

Students ~~must~~ should have more than one host family; placement with three successive host families is preferable. In the event that circumstances prevent multiple host family placements, both the sponsor and host district must agree ~~in advance~~ and alert the student's parent or legal guardian in advance. At least one back-up host family must be available.

Parents of outbound students shall not be required to host inbound students. However, parents of outbound students may volunteer to host or may be asked to assist in finding suitable host families.

Host clubs must select individual Rotarian counselors from their clubs with whom each student is to be in regular contact and to serve as a liaison between the student and the club, the student's parents or legal guardians, host family and community at large. Sending clubs and/or districts select an individual Rotarian to serve as a resource to an outbound student. The club counselor must not be in a position of authority over the student's exchange, such as a member of the student's host family, district or club Youth Exchange officer, school principal, etc. and must be trained in responding to any problems or concerns which may arise during the exchange, including the prevention of physical, sexual and ~~emotional~~ psychological abuse.

The host club should provide for all educational expenses, arrange an appropriate academic program, and must provide a program of orientation and continued contacts to familiarize the student with the host community.

The host club or district should provide a monthly allowance for the student in an amount determined by the parties concerned. The monthly allowance shall be sufficient to cover meals eaten at school or elsewhere.

## B. Short-term Exchange Program

Short-term exchanges vary from several days to several weeks or months. They often take place when school is not in session and may not include an academic program. Short-term exchanges generally involve a homestay experience with a family in the host country, but may also be organized as international youth camps or tours.

Host clubs must select individual Rotarian counselors from their clubs with whom each student is to be in regular contact and to serve as a liaison between the student and the club, the student's parents or legal guardians, host family and community at large. Sending clubs and/or districts select an individual Rotarian to serve as a resource to an outbound student. The club

counselor must not be in a position of authority over the student's exchange, such as a member of the student's host family, district or club Youth Exchange officer, school principal, etc. and must be trained in responding to any problems or concerns which may arise during the exchange, including the prevention of physical, sexual and ~~emotional~~ psychological abuse.

### 41.070.9. Eligibility

Participation in Youth Exchange is open to students aged 15 to 19 years at the beginning of the exchange unless the laws and regulations of a specific country deem otherwise. Students 18 years or older may participate by mutual agreement by the participating clubs and districts.

Youth Exchange welcomes any young people who meet the requirements of the program and who are recommended and sponsored by ~~a Rotarian~~, a club, or a district. They should be above average in their schoolwork.

People with disabilities may participate where and when this is possible and agreed upon between the sending and host clubs or districts.

### 41.070.10. Student Application

Candidates must submit a written application and must undergo a selection process including personal interviews with the applicant and the applicant's parents or legal guardians at the club level and at the district level.

Clubs and districts are encouraged to use standard Youth Exchange applications, which are maintained and updated by networks of district and multidistrict Youth Exchange officers.

### 41.070.14. Preparation

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It is not customary for host districts to charge inbound student fees. However, all in-country and optional costs, such as language courses, tours, and insurance, must be outlined and agreed to in advance of the exchange. Sending districts shall provide parents or legal guardians of outbound students with itemized invoices outlining how funds paid to participate in Youth Exchange are used. Copies of these invoices should also be provided to the sending Rotary club.

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### 41.070.16. Student Responsibilities

Students should ~~display comportment at all times reflecting credit on self~~ represent themselves, their home country, and Rotary in ways that reflect Rotary's values.

commitment to Service Above Self, and as peacebuilders in their host community. and They should respect each other and act responsibly, befitting their role in as a representative of the program and of Rotary in the world.

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#### 41.070.18. Volunteer Selection and Screening

Careful selection of all individuals involved in Youth Exchange should be of paramount concern and be done with the utmost care and consideration.

All adults (Rotarian and non-Rotarians) involved in the program, including but not limited to committee members, host family members, club counselors, and others who have significant or unsupervised contact with youth, must be interviewed to determine suitability to work with youth, complete and sign a ~~Yyouth Program~~ Volunteer Application form, and agree to undergo criminal background checks, including law enforcement public record checks and a reference check.

The host club or district must conscientiously screen and select host families on the basis of a written application, criminal background checks for all adults in the home, including law enforcement public record checks and reference checks, personal interview, and home visits which must be both announced and unannounced.

Adult volunteers (both Rotarian and non-Rotarian) who have not complied with program requirements must be permanently removed by the district from involvement with youth in a Rotary context.

#### 41.070.19. Volunteer Training

All adults (Rotarian and non-Rotarians) involved in the program, including but not limited to committee members, host families, club counselors, and others, must receive training that includes information on program administration, ~~and~~ rules, and abuse and harassment awareness and prevention.

#### 41.070.24. Regional Youth Exchange Groups

The Board has no objection to the formation of regional groups for the purpose of disseminating information, facilitating communication, organizing training events or conferences, or sharing best practices between certified districts and multidistricts provided that:

- 1) there is no objection by the governors of each of the districts that may be the intended participants based on the name or geographic location of such a group;

- 2) the group has no decision-making or legislative powers, except for decisions concerning the activities of the group itself;

- 3) the group does not directly undertake any exchange activity and clearly communicates that only certified districts or multidistricts may plan or arrange exchange activities;

- 4) funds needed to implement the organization's activities cannot be made enforceable.

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#### 41.070.2627. District Youth Exchange Committee Chair and Multidistrict Officer List

The general secretary shall publish and maintain a directory of all district Youth Exchange committee chairs, ~~and~~ multidistrict contacts, and regional group contacts.

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#### 57.110.3. Other Activities

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##### b) Youth Exchange Officers Preconvention

The annual Youth Exchange officers preconvention, as part of the official convention program, should occur all day the Friday and Saturday before the convention commences. The preconvention shall be conducted in accordance with RI policy regarding convention operations and procedures. The general secretary is requested to provide staff support for such meeting. The program shall be arranged and implemented by RI ~~and should include discussion of issues identified by the Youth Exchange Committee.~~ The president-elect may appoint a convener to help prepare the content and social activities for the Preconvention. The convener should be a person knowledgeable about the Youth Exchange program from the host district or host country.



## APPENDIX O

### AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES REGARDING ROTARY COMMUNITY CORPS

(Decision 60)

#### 41.050. Rotary Community Corps (RCC)

*Rotary Community Corps is a program of Rotary International, formerly known as the Rotary Village Corps, adopted by the Board in 1986.*

The Rotary Community Corps (RCC) “Statement of Policy” is as follows:

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#### 6. Responsibilities of a sponsor Rotary club

- a) Sponsor Rotary club shall provide ongoing guidance to the Rotary Community Corps and share service-related resources and tools with the corps. The primary sponsor club is responsible for ensuring that activities of the RCC are aligned with RI’s policies and procedures. Sponsor clubs are encouraged to invite RCC members to their meetings and events.
- b) Sponsor Rotary club shall appoint at least one RCC advisor or a RCC committee whose responsibility is to participate in the meetings and activities of the RCC, advise on administrative matters, provide mentorship to the RCC leadership and members, and keep the sponsor club informed about the RCC’s activities. The RCC advisor/committee should notify the district community service chair and RI about the accomplishments of the RCC for inclusion in the district and RI publications/communications.
- c) Sponsor club or the current RCC representative shall provide RI with the contact information of the incoming RCC representative each year no later than 30 June. Failure to report the RCC representative to RI may result in the termination of the RCC.

#### 7. Rotary Community Corps name and visual identity

- a) The name of a Rotary Community Corps shall include the wording “Rotary Community Corps” to show the corps’ affiliation with Rotary. The

name should be one that helps identify its locality, sponsor Rotary club, or type of projects the corps is formed to carry out. The general secretary shall determine if a name is appropriate.

- b) The name and visual identity of the Rotary Community Corps shall be preserved for the exclusive use and benefit of the corps and its members. A corps and its members are entitled to display the name and visual identity in a dignified and appropriate manner. Each member shall give up such entitlement upon termination of membership or termination of the corps.

#### 68. Membership in Rotary Community Corps (RCC)

- a) The membership of each corps ~~should~~ shall consist of non-Rotarian adults with ~~good character~~ and the desire and capacity to contribute toward enhancement of the community, with consideration given to those with leadership potential. Membership shall be open to any person living, working, or studying in or near the Corps’ community.

[text omitted]

#### 79. Rotary Community Corps (RCC) Leadership Group

- a) Rotary Community Corps ~~are encouraged to~~ shall establish a leadership group, in consultation with the sponsoring Rotary club(s), comprised of members in good standing and elected by a simple majority of the corps. The term of office shall be one year unless otherwise determined by the corps and sponsoring club(s).
- b) The leadership group shall elect from amongst themselves one individual to represent the corps (RCC representative) in any business with the sponsoring Rotary club(s) or the public. This representative may appoint such committees as deemed necessary to carry out tasks, which shall exist until completion of duties, discharge by the representative, or upon the end of the representa-

tive's term. Committees for administration, vocational service, community service, and finance are recommended for each corps.

~~810. Governors~~ District community service chairs are ~~expected~~ highly encouraged to appoint a district Rotary Community Corps subcommittee.

The role and responsibilities of this subcommittee are to:

- ~~i-a)~~ Promote understanding of and participation in the RCC program through regular contact with clubs in the district and through district meetings
- ~~ii-b)~~ Assist clubs establishing RCCs
- ~~iii-c)~~ Encourage clubs to seek resources for their RCC projects on Rotary Ideas
- ~~iv-d)~~ Identify successful RCC projects for promotion via the district website, governor's monthly newsletter, and Rotary Showcase
- ~~v-e)~~ Maintain records of RCC status and activities in the district, and report periodically to the governor and Secretariat

11. A Rotary Community Corps may be terminated:

a) By Rotary International, with or without the consent, approval or concurrence of the sponsor Rotary club, for:

- i) failure to function in accordance with RI's policies
- ii) failure to function in accordance with its constitution
- iii) initiating, or maintaining, or retaining in its membership an individual who initiates or maintains litigation against a Rotary district, Rotary International, or The Rotary Foundation, including their directors, trustees, officers, and employees, or
- iv) for other cause

b) By its sponsor Rotary club(s) or

c) By the corps itself upon its own determination

Sponsor club shall notify RI if a RCC is no longer active or does not comply with RI's policies. RI will terminate the RCC upon receiving confirmation from the club president.

41.050.1. RI Secretariat Service to Rotary Community Corps

The general secretary charts new Rotary Community Corps, develops program resources, and distributes

annual communications to all sponsor Rotary clubs and district community service ~~Rotary Community Corps~~ chairs.

41.050.2. RI Certification of Rotary Community Corps

The general secretary processes certification of Rotary Community Corps. The RCC Organization Form requires the signatures of the RCC representative, and the sponsoring Rotary club ~~president, and district governor.~~

## APPENDIX P

### AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES REGARDING GUIDELINES FOR SPONSORSHIP (Decision 61)

#### **37.010. Guidelines for Sponsorship of RI Meetings, Events, Projects and Programs**

The Board, acknowledging that RI meetings, events, projects and programs are supported in part through sponsorships by business entities and governmental agencies, has adopted the following terms for acceptance of sponsorship of RI meetings, events, projects and programs:

[text omitted]

10. All sponsorship proposals, whether obtained by RI or by a local organizing entity, shall require the approval of the general secretary in consultation with the president (when known) who presides over the convention. Such approval shall include but not be limited to the following aspects of each sponsorship proposal:

- a) Appropriateness of the sponsor
- b) Nature of the sponsorship plan
- c) Extent of the sponsorship relationship
- d) Share of the sponsorship revenue between RI and any local organizing entity
- e) Nature of the sponsorship recognition

[text omitted]

13. First aid/medical sponsorships: The specifics and details involved with a medical/first aid sponsor must be approved by the general secretary, in consultation with the president (when known) who presides over the convention, at least three months before the meeting, event, project, or program to ensure that the sponsoring organization can comply with RI's contractual requirements, including but not limited to insurance and indemnification requirements. First aid/medical sponsors sent to the general secretary later than three months before the meeting, event, project, or program will not be considered.

14. Internet sponsorships: The specifics and details involved with an internet sponsor must be approved by the general secretary, in consultation with the president (when known) who presides over the convention, at least three months before the meeting, event, project, or program to ensure that the

sponsoring organization can provide the internet services RI requires at its events and also comply with RI's contractual requirements, including but not limited to insurance and indemnification requirements. Internet sponsors sent to the general secretary later than three months before the meeting, event, project or program will not be considered.

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#### **57.150. Miscellaneous International Convention Matters**

##### **57.150.1. Solicitation of Sponsors for RI Conventions**

The RI Board has authorized the solicitation of sponsors for RI Conventions by both RI and Host Organizations, subject to the approval, on a case by case basis, of the general secretary in consultation with the RI president (when known) who presides over the convention and in compliance with existing Board policy, the "Guidelines for Sponsorship of RI Meetings, Events, Projects and Programs" (Code 36.010.), the "RI and TRF Guidelines for Use of the Rotary Marks by Other Organizations" (Code 33.030.15.), the "Guidelines for Rotary Clubs, Rotary Districts and Other Rotary Entities for Interacting with Other Organizations" (Code 44.020.) and the *RI Manual for Conventions*.

## APPENDIX R

### GROW ROTARY MEMBERSHIP OPERATIONAL PLAN (2020–25) (Decision 67)

An emphasis on growing Rotary is a key element of the RI Strategic Plan. The Grow Rotary Membership operational plan endeavors to align operations and resources to Rotary's strategic priorities to achieve long-term membership sustainability and growth. This plan supports our existing Rotary and Rotaract clubs' efforts to remain relevant and attractive to new members and deliver an experience that engages and retains existing members. The plan also seeks to expand Rotary's reach with innovative models that welcome more participants and gives them meaningful ways to unite and take action.

#### **Priority:** Increase Impact

##### Membership Initiatives:

- Ensure a consistent message that growing Rotary is the highest internal organizational priority of Rotary International while polio eradication remains Rotary's highest program priority.
- Continued and coordinated vision, a unified focus and engagement of RI and TRF Senior Leadership and staff.
- Enhance membership initiatives evaluation and membership reporting and measurement.

#### **Priority:** Expand Reach

##### Membership Initiatives:

- Improve Rotary's overall age, gender, ethnic and vocational diversity based on the existing qualifications for membership.
- Strengthen the collaboration and partnership between Rotary and Rotaract clubs.
- Develop new club types and alternative participant models and additional products that appeal to our target market.
- Leverage Rotary events at all levels as opportunities to better connect with existing and prospective members and participants, including sponsors.
- Increase understanding of Rotary and promote use of Rotary resources.

#### **Priority:** Enhance Participant Engagement

##### Membership Initiatives:

- Improve membership recognition opportunities for effective clubs and members.

- Encourage clubs to offer opportunities that engage participants, personally and professionally.
- Encourage clubs to offer local and international service opportunities, including The Rotary Foundation, to engage current and prospective members and participants.
- Develop indices to measure member engagement and incentivize clubs to maximize their results.
- Increase resources, curriculum, and partnerships focused on leadership and skill-building.

#### **Priority:** Increase Ability to Adapt

##### Membership Initiatives:

- Continue to support surveys of existing, prospective and terminated club members to be able to enhance member value and increase retention.
- Continue to conduct business and technical process reviews and implement improvements as warranted.
- Continue to promote diversity in composition and recommendations of RI Membership Committee.

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