

RESOLUTION 25R-08

To request the RI Board to consider encouraging districts to maintain minutes of nominating committee meetings and to make them available upon request

Proposer(s): District 2680, Japan

1 WHEREAS, both RI Bylaws subsection 12.030.1., Nominating Committee for
2 Governor, and Rotary Code of Policies subsection 19.030.1., Selection of
3 Governor-nominee, provide guidance to districts on the procedure to be used in
4 selecting a governor-nominee:

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6 **Bylaws of Rotary International**

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8 **Article 12 Nominations and Elections for Governors**

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10 **12.030. Nominating Committee Process.**

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12 **12.030.1. Nominating Committee for Governor.**

13 In districts adopting a nominating committee procedure, the committee shall
14 seek out and propose the best qualified candidate for governor-nominee. The
15 terms of reference of the committee, including the method for selecting members,
16 shall be determined in a resolution adopted by the electors present and voting at
17 a district conference. The terms of reference must not be inconsistent with the
18 bylaws.

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20 **Rotary Code of Policies (June 2025)**

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22 **Article 19. District Officers**

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24 **19.030. Governor-Nominee Selection**

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26 19.030.1. Selection of Governor-nominee

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28 The selection by the clubs in a district of a governor-nominee should be
29 conducted in a dignified, responsible manner in harmony with the
30 principles of Rotary. Districts should seek out and nominate for the office
31 of district governor the best qualified person.

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33 WHEREAS, nowhere in either of the above sections is it stated that districts
34 should document or verify the procedure that they have used in making their
35 selection, and

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37 WHEREAS, that being the case, however, it is nevertheless clear that when a
38 district chooses to use a nominating committee it should prepare minutes in

1 order to ensure fairness and verify that the selection was conducted in a
2 dignified, responsible manner in harmony with the principles of Rotary, and
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4 WHEREAS, it is also desirable to make such minutes available upon request,
5 though the privacy of the candidates must be respected
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7 IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary
8 International consider encouraging districts to maintain minutes of nominating
9 committee meetings and to make them available to clubs and their members
10 upon request.

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PURPOSE AND EFFECT

11 Each district should maintain an official record of the meetings of its nominating
12 committee for governor. The maintenance of such meeting minutes will be of
13 significant value to the district, as they serve as a means of certifying the
14 transparency of this process for clubs and their members. Each district should
15 endeavor to make available upon request the minutes of the meetings of its
16 nominating committee for governor.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

17 If implemented, this resolution would have no substantial financial impact on RI.