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OCTOBER 2014

RI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
GENERAL OFFICERS 2014–15

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MINUTES
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OCTOBER 2014
Rotary International Board of Directors Meeting

The Rotary International Board of Directors held its second meeting of the year on 27–30 October 2014 in Evanston, Illinois, USA.

Present were: President Gary C. K. Huang, President-elect K.R. Ravindran, Vice President Celia Elena Cruz de Giay, Treasurer Holger Knaack, Executive Committee Chairman Larry A. Lunsford, other directors, Safak Alpay, Mary Beth Growney Selene, Robert L. Hall, Per Høyen, Seiji Kita, Julia D. Phelps, Greg E. Podd, P. T. Prabhakar, Steven A. Snyder, Takanori Sugitani, Guiller E. Tumangan, Michael F. Webb, Giuseppe Viale, Sangkoo Yun, and General Secretary John Hewko. Samuel F. Owori attended at trustee liaison.

Andrew McDonald served as secretary of the meeting with assistance from Laura Roel and Matt Hohmann. Other staff present were David Alexander, Michele Berg, Joseph Brownlee, Lori Carlson, Peter Markos, Michele Moiron, John Osterlund, Steve Routburg and Dave Stumpf. Dora Calkins, Taka Hoshino, 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 analyses. 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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25. Minutes of the May and “July” 2014 Board Meetings

Statement: The general secretary distributed the May and “July” 2014 Board meeting minutes to each director.

DECISION: The Board approves the May and “July” 2014 Board meeting minutes as distributed.

26. Decision by Communication

Statement: Since its last meeting, the Board took one decision by communication.

DECISION: The Board notes that it made one decision by communication since its May and “July” 2014 meetings:

Ballot 1: The Board approves all action taken and adopts all decisions approved by the Board at the duly called meeting of the 2014–15 RI directors held in Sydney, Australia, on 6 June 2014, to be effective on 1 July 2014.

27. Ratification of Decisions Made by the President

Statement: As authorized, 2013–14 President Burton and 2014–15 President Huang took several decisions on behalf of the Board.

DECISION: The Board ratifies the decisions shown in Appendix A made on behalf of the Board by President Burton during the period 5 April through 30 June 2014 and President Huang from 1 July through 5 September 2014.

28. 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 5 April through 5 September 2014.
29. Tentative Future Agenda

Statement: The Board reviews at each meeting a tentative agenda for its next meeting.

DECISION: The Board receives the tentative agenda for its January 2015 meeting.

30. Report of the President

Statement: President Huang reported on his activities, accomplishments, and concerns since the “July” 2014 Board meeting.

DECISION: The Board thanks President Huang for his report.

31. Presidential Goals for 2015–16

Statement: President-elect Ravindran presented the Board his goals while in office: 1) Stronger and more effective clubs; 2) Greater impact; 3) Greater visibility and influence.

DECISION: The Board approves President-elect Ravindran’s goals for 2015–16 as presented at this meeting.

32. Report of the General Secretary

Statement: The general secretary reported on the work at the Secretariat since the Board’s “July” 2014 meeting and progress on Secretariat initiatives during 2014–15.

DECISION: The Board receives the general secretary’s report on the activities at the Secretariat.

33. Report of the Treasurer

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 Knaack for his report.

34. Communications from the Trustees

Statement: At their June and October 2014 meetings, the Rotary Foundation Trustees took several decisions of interest to the Board.

DECISION: The Board

1. notes the following decisions from the June 2014 Trustees meeting:

126. Communications from the RI Board
141. Annual Fund Goal for 2014–15
143. Role of Alumni at RI Conventions
144. Impact of Expanded Alumni Definition
151. Budget for Operating Expenses in 2014–15

2. notes the following decisions from the October 2014 Trustees meeting:

5. Communications from the RI Board
7. Election of Officers for 2015–16
9. Foundation Priorities and Goals
10. TRF Centennial Logo
14. Proposed Reorganization of Joint Committee on Partnerships
16. Rotary Foundation Strategic Planning
17. Revised Strategic Plan Priorities, Goals, and Measures
40. Annual Report on Partnerships
41. Joint Committee on Partnerships Report
44. Project Enhancement Process Pilot Evaluation
45. Joint Committee on Alumni Relations
46. Alumni Non-Rotarian Registration Rate at RI Convention
50. Ebola Virus Disease Relief
55. Report of the Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers
57. Investment Committee Report

3. concurs with the Trustees reappointment of NEPC to provide investment consulting services for the five-year period commencing 1 December 2014;

4. agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation a proposed resolution recognizing the centennial anniversary of The Rotary Foundation, as shown in Appendix C;

5. does not agree to the reorganization of the Joint Committee on Partnerships as approved by the Trustees in their decision 14, October 2014, and requests the Trustees to approve the changes shown in Appendix D;

6. recommends to Rotary Institute conveners that an adjunct training and recruitment session for the Rotary Foundation cadre of technical advisers be added to the agenda at all Rotary institutes;
7. request the president to appoint a working group to review the results of the general secretary’s consultation with Rotarians in the areas affected by Ebola outbreak in West Africa, regarding the possible ways for Rotarians to contribute to the relief efforts;

8. amends Rotary Code of Policies section 35.010. as follows:

**35.010. General Guidelines**

[text omitted]

The Joint Committee on Partnerships, or in its absence the general secretary shall provide an annual report on all partnerships to the Board and the Trustees at their second meetings each year.

**35. Election of Foundation Trustees**

*Statement:* Rotary Code of Policies section 29.010.5. requires the president-elect to submit to the Board for election, no later than at its second meeting each year, the names of individuals he nominates as Rotary Foundation Trustees.

**DECISION:** The Board, following the nomination by President-elect Ravindran, elects Ron D. Burton, Örşcelik Balkan, Mario César de Camargo, and Thomas M. Thorfínsson to be Trustees of The Rotary Foundation, beginning 1 July 2015.

**36. Petition to the Board: District 7430 (USA—Pennsylvania)**

*Statement:* The Board received a petition from District 7430 requesting the Board to consider the reinstatement of the Planning Guide for Effective Rotary Clubs.

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

**37. Petition to the Board: Rotary Club of Lawrenceburg, TN, USA**

*Statement:* The Board received a petition from the Rotary Club of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee, USA, requesting the Board to consider an addition to Rotary’s visual identity system.

**DECISION:** The Board requests the general secretary to follow-through on the petition received at this meeting in accordance with discussion at this meeting.

**38. 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 by the Board 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 decisions taken by the Board at its May and “July” 2014 meetings.

**DECISION:** The Board, to record the decisions taken at its May and “July” 2014 meetings and previously, amends the Rotary Code of Policies as found in Appendix E, filed only with the official copy of these minutes.

**39. Proposed RI Committee Structure for 2015–16**

*Statement:* Rotary Code of Policies section 30.040.4. requests the president-elect to submit the proposed RI committee structure for the following Rotary year to the Board for review at its second meeting.

**DECISION:** The Board thanks President-elect Ravindran for review of his 2015–16 RI Committee recommendations.

**40. Committee Selection and Evaluation**

*Statement:* President-elect Ravindran requested the Board to consider establishing appointment criteria and evaluation metrics for membership on RI’s standing committees.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. requests the president to appoint a committee of three current directors and the president-nominee to establish appointment criteria and evaluation metrics for the members of RI’s standing committees;

2. requests the committee to meet by correspondence, electronically, or at the International Assembly and present a preliminary report to the Board at its January 2015 meeting.
41. **Board Meetings in 2015–16**

*Statement:* The Rotary Code of Policies requires the Board at its second meeting to review and determine the dates and places of Board meetings for the following Rotary year. President-elect Ravindran presented his proposed schedule for Board meetings in 2014–15.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. agrees that it shall meet during 2015–16 as follows:
   - **11–13 June 2015,** São Paulo, Brazil  
     (directors and spouses)
   - **12–14 October 2015,** Evanston, IL, USA  
     (directors only)
   - **24–26 January 2016,** San Diego, CA, USA  
     (directors and spouses)
   - **16–18 April 2016,** Evanston, IL, USA  
     (directors and directors-elect only)
   - **28 May 2016,** Seoul, Korea  
     (directors, directors-elect, and spouses)

2. authorizes the 2015–16 president to adjust the above dates and sites if circumstances require.

**42. Director-elect Training and Orientation Update**

*Statement:* President-elect Ravindran asked the Board to consider inviting a Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management faculty member to a January directors-elect training session to help educate directors-elect on best practices for serving on a not-for-profit Board. He also suggested that directors-elect participate in the Regional Leaders Training Institute in March 2015 as the second half of their training. With the adoption of this new directors-elect training schedule, it was noted that a previously-approved director-nominee training was no longer necessary.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. agrees to hold a training seminar for directors and directors-elect led by a faculty member of Northwestern University’s Kellogg School of Management in conjunction with the Board’s January 2015 meeting and approves a 2014–15 budget variance of US$25,000 for this purpose;

2. agrees with the president-elect’s proposal to hold a director-elect orientation in March 2015 in conjunction with the Regional Leaders Training Institute and approves a 2014–15 budget variance of $15,550 for this purpose;

3. rescinds its decision 200, June 2013, providing for directors-nominee training.

**DECISIONS 43–44**

**Operations Review Committee Report**

The Operations Review Committee met on 20–22 August 2014 in Evanston, Illinois, USA and made several recommendations to the Board.

**43. Role as Compensation Advisory Committee**

*Statement:* In decision 117, May 2014 the Board agreed that the Operations Review Committee should serve as an advisory compensation committee to the Board’s Executive Committee. The committee discussed a timeline and other strategies for implementing this new responsibility and suggested an amendment to the Executive Committee’s terms of reference.

**DECISION:** The Board receives the recommendations of the Operations Review Committee regarding its new role as an advisory compensation committee to the Executive Committee of the Board and

1. agrees with the proposed timeline and process the Operations Review Committee will use in serving as the Executive Committee’s compensation advisory committee as shown in Appendix F;

2. so as to implement the proposed process in the current Rotary year and to provide a review of the staff compensation methodology to the Board’s January 2015 meeting, approves an additional meeting of the 2014–15 Operations Review Committee and authorizes a budget variance of US$32,000 for this purpose;

3. amends the Executive Committee’s terms of reference by adding the following point 4. to Rotary Code of Policies section 30.060.4.g) as follows:

   4. Review annually Rotary’s employee compensation strategy as recommended by the Operations Review Committee.

44. **Support Structure for Membership Efforts**

*Statement:* Noting that membership development and retention is RI’s most important internal issue, the
Operations Review Committee reviewed RI’s governance structure supporting membership development and retention efforts over the last 20 years. The committee suggested several strategies for strengthening this governance structure.

**DECISION:** The Board receives the Operations Review Committee’s recommendations regarding the governance support structure for Rotary’s membership development and retention efforts and:

1. acknowledges the urgency of membership development and retention to the future of Rotary and the need for a stable governance support structure to support these initiatives;

2. requests the president to appoint a committee of three to five directors to study the following membership support-related proposals for report to the Board at its May 2015 meeting:
   a. the creation of a new volunteer leadership team to focus on membership development and retention issues that provides for the possibility of continuity of membership on the leadership team, such group to serve as clearing house for all membership development and retention proposals that come from Rotary committees;
   b. to ensure continuity of leadership at the district level, modified terms of reference for the district membership chair to provide for a three-year term in manner similar to the district Rotary Foundation committee chair;
   c. an enhanced volunteer structure at the local level to support membership development and retention initiatives;
   d. the development of a pilot program in select areas of the world that would provide for local and regional staff to assist clubs and districts in implementing membership development and retention initiatives.

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45. **Election Review Committee Report**

**Statement:** In accordance with Board policy, the Election Review Committee reviewed election complaints received at the Secretariat since the Board’s May 2014 meeting and made its recommendations to the Board.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. receives the complaint of the Rotary Club of Moradabad (East) Utt. Pr., India, concerning the election of the 2016 Council on Legislation representative of District 3100 and
   a. does not find any reasonable grounds for overturning the decision of the zone-level election review panel;
   b. dismisses the complaint of the Rotary Club of Moradabad (East) and confirms the zone-level election review panel’s decision that a new ballot should be conducted to select the 2016 Council on Legislation representative of District 3100;

2. receives the complaint of the Rotary Club of Weonju-Jeil, Gangweon, Korea, concerning the 2016–17 governor election in District 3730 and
   a. finds that the election procedures adopted for the election of the 2016–17 governor were in violation of RI Bylaws requirements;
   b. upholds the complaint of the Rotary Club of Weonju-Jeil, voids the selection of Rotarian Jae Yeol Jeong, and requests the governor to conduct a mail ballot between the seven candidates suggested to the nominating committee by using the single transferable ballot system as set forth in RI Bylaws section 13.040.;

3. receives the complaint of the Rotary Club of Cavite East, Cavite, Philippines, concerning the election of the 2016–17 governor from District 3810 and
   a. finds that the governor conducted the election in accordance with RI’s policies and procedures;
   b. finds no evidence that Rotarian Ernesto Yuyek engaged in any conduct in violation of the RI Bylaws’ rules on campaigning, canvassing, and electioneering;
   c. dismisses the complaint filed by the Rotary Club of Cavite East and affirms the selection of Rotarian Ernesto Yuyek as the 2016–17 governor of District 3810;

4. receives the election complaint of the Rotary Club of San Pedro de Tlaquepaque, Jal., Mexico,
concerning the election of the 2016–17 governor of District 4150 and

a. finds numerous election violations in the selection process, including:
   - the ballot-by-mail process was not taken to its conclusion;
   - the composition of the nominating committee was suspect with regard to RI’s requirements and the reasons for the variations therefrom are not valid;
   - representatives of the district assembly do not have the authority to disqualify candidates;
   - the origins of the alleged accusations of campaigning against one of the candidates were not identified and lacked club support;

b. given the election violations itemized above, upholds the complaint of the Rotary Club of San Pedro de Tlaquepaque, voids the election of Rotarian Carlos Vazquez, and requests the governor to carry out a new election in strict compliance with the RI Bylaws;

5. receives the election complaint of the Rotary Club of Independencia-Huarez, Ancash, Peru, concerning the election of the 2015–16 governor of District 4465 and

a. finds that the counting and verification of the ballots was conducted in a transparent manner agreed to by the candidates’ representatives;

b. finds no evidence to support the claim of election violations;

c. dismisses the complaint filed by the Rotary Club of Independencia-Huarez, and affirms the selection of Rotarian Germán Lizarzaburo as the 2015–16 governor of District 4465.

6. receives the complaint of the Rotary Club of Saint-Paul-Baie, Réunion, concerning the election of the 2016–17 governor from District 9220 and

a. finds that the evidence indicates that the Rotary Club Saint-Paul-Baie properly filed its challenge in accordance with the RI Bylaws;

b. upholds the complaint and requests the governor to allow the challenge filed by the Rotary Club of Saint-Paul-Baie and proceed to a mail ballot between Rotarians Razafindrakoto and Pota to select the 2016–17 governor of District 9220;

7. thanks the Election Review Committee for their review of the above-referenced complaints;

8. notes that the regional election complaint panels in Zones 4, 5, and 6A have taken decisions concerning election complaints regarding the Council on Legislation representatives from Districts 3030 and 3291 since the last Board meeting.

46. Complaint from Rotary Club of Moradabad Midtown

Statement: The Election Review Committee reviewed the Rotary Club of Moradabad Midtown’s appeal to their complaint regarding the election of the 2016–17 governor of District 3100.

DECISION: The Board receives the appeal of the complaint from the Rotary Club of Moradabad Midtown, regarding the election of the 2016–17 governor of District 3100, and

a. notes that Section 7, paragraph b of the Governor-Nominee Selection Procedures pilot currently in force in India states that “Any candidate for governor-nominee election in the coming year shall not accept any district assignment(s). Any such candidates will not be eligible for the governor nominee election”;

b. agrees with the findings of the RI Election Review Committee that Rotarian Diwakar Aggarwal accepted the appointment to be the assistant governor project coordinator and finds, therefore, that under the terms of the pilot Rotarian Aggarwal is not eligible to be selected as the 2016–17 governor.

Note: Director Prabhakar and President-elect Ravindran were not present for the discussion or vote on this item.

47. Ballot for Election of Director from Zone 11 (France)

Statement: The convener of the Zone 11 Nominating Committee for RI Director notified the general secretary that after 11 rounds of voting, no candidate had received a 60 percent majority vote as required by the RI Bylaws. The general secretary noted that on previous occasions with similar voting results, the RI Board had authorized
a mail ballot in the zone to select the director. The general secretary further noted that since the bylaws provide no official procedure for this scenario, the Board may wish to propose legislation to the 2016 Council on Legislation that establishes a procedure for instances when no candidate receives a 60 percent majority vote of a director nominating committee.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. finds that the Nominating Committee for RI Director from Zone 11 (France) failed to meet the requirements for selecting a nominee for director as required by RI Bylaws section 12.020.15.;

2. agrees that a ballot-by-mail in accordance with RI Bylaws section 12.030. shall be conducted to select the next director from Zone 11, such ballot to include all candidates originally proposed to the Director Nominating Committee;

3. requests the general secretary to inform the clubs in Zone 11 of this decision;

4. requests the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation for possible submission to the 2016 Council on Legislation that establishes a procedure for instances in which no candidate receives a 60 percent majority vote of the director nominating committee;

5. noting the 31 December 2014 deadline for submission of all legislation, authorizes the president to approve the proposed legislation on its behalf.

**DECISIONS 48–53**

**Constitution and Bylaws Committee Report**

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee met via teleconference on 5 August 2014 to review proposed legislation to the 2016 Council, among other Council-related topics. The committee made several recommendations to the Board.

**48. RI Membership Committee**

**Statement:** In decision 55, October 2013, the Board requested the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation establish a standing committee for membership, to include two directors, that would be responsible for a long-term scope and perspective on membership strategies, plans, training, implementation, and resources, the composition of which must reflect the internationality of Rotary.

**DECISION:** The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

**PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-**

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows:

**Article 16 Committees**

**16.100. Membership Committee.**

The board shall appoint a membership committee to be composed of eight members, four of whom shall serve a four-year term with one of these members appointed every year; two members shall be members of the board appointed for a two-year staggered term, one from each class of directors, and two members shall be members of the trustees of The Rotary Foundation appointed for two-year staggered terms in collaboration with the Trustee chair. No member of the committee shall be a past president. Membership shall be selected so that qualifications provide a balance in membership with Rotarians experienced in membership activity, RI Regional Membership Plans and Rotary Coordinators. The committee shall meet at such times and places and upon such notice as may be determined by the president or the board. The membership committee shall develop, recommend and update a membership strategy and plans for consideration by the board, including new membership concepts to review and make recommendations to the board. Members may be reappointed.

**49. Nominating Committee for President**

**Statement:** In decision 115, May 2014, the Board agreed that the limitation on the number of times a Rotarian can serve on the Nominating Committee for RI President (RI Bylaws section 11.020.5.) is both confusing and impractical in some parts of the Rotary world and therefore requested the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation that would remove this restriction.

**DECISION:** The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

**PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-**
To revise the qualifications for membership on the nominating committee for president

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows:

Article 11 Nominations and Elections for President

11.020. Nominating Committee for President.

11.020.5. Qualifications.
Each member of the nominating committee shall be a past director of RI. A candidate for membership on the committee must be a past director at the time of election, except where there is no past director available for election or appointment as a member of the committee from a particular zone. In such case, 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 sections 16.010., 16.020., and 16.030. or as a trustee of The Rotary Foundation. No Rotarian shall be a member of the nominating committee for president more than three times unless there are no more than two candidates willing to serve on this committee.

50. Strategic Planning Committee

Statement: In decision 122, May 2014, the Board requested the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation regarding revisions to the composition of the Strategic Planning Committee.

DECISION: The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To amend the terms of reference for the Strategic Planning Committee

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows:

Article 16 Committees

16.100. Strategic Planning Committee.
The board shall appoint a strategic planning committee to be composed of six eight members, four of whom shall be neither members of the board nor trustees of The Rotary Foundation, and serve a four-year term for a six-year period with two one of these members appointed every third year and two of whom two members shall be members of the board with one member appointed annually for a two-year term and two members shall be members of the trustees of The Rotary Foundation with one member appointed annually for a two-year term in consultation with the Trustee chair. No member of the committee shall be a past president. Membership shall be selected so that qualifications provide a balance in membership with Rotarians experienced in long-term planning, RI and/or TRF programs and activities, and financial management. The committee shall meet at such times and places and upon such notice as may be determined by the president or the board. The strategic planning committee shall develop, recommend and update a strategic plan for consideration by the board, survey Rotarians and clubs not less than every three years in discharge of its duties to review and make recommendations to the board pertaining to the strategic plan and undertake other duties assigned by the board; it shall take into account studies of the change in the number of potential Rotarians on each continent, including in countries that may open soon to expansion, in order to predict the impact of such change on the membership in each zone. Members may be reappointed.

51. International Assembly Dates

Statement: In decision 138, May 2014, the Board looked with favor on holding the International Assembly between 1 February and 31 March and requested the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation providing for this timeframe. Upon further consideration, and noting various complications this proposed timeframe would cause, the Board agreed not to make changes to the customary dates for the International Assembly at this time.

DECISION: The Board agrees not to propose legislation to hold the International Assembly between 1 February and 31 March and rescinds accordingly its decision 138, May 2014.

52. Selecting the RI President-nominee

Statement: In decision 115, May 2014, the Board requested the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation that would allow for in-person interviews of all the candidates immediately before the convention.
**DECISION:** The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

**PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-**

To amend the rules for selecting the RI president-nominee

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the **BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL** be and hereby are amended as follows:

**Article 11 Nominations and Elections for President**

11.030. **Election of Members to the Nominating Committee for President.**

11.030.1. **Notification to Eligible Candidates.**

The general secretary shall mail a letter to each past director eligible to serve on the nominating committee for the following year. The letter must be mailed between 1 May and 15 May and 1 December and 15 December. The letter will inquire as to whether the past directors desire to be considered for membership on the committee and to advise the general secretary prior to 15 April and 15 January that they wish to have their names listed as being willing and able to serve. Any past director not responding by 15 April and 15 January will be considered unwilling to serve.

11.030.2. **One Eligible Past Director in a Zone.**

Where there is only one eligible past director from a zone willing and able to serve, the president shall declare such past director to be the member of the committee from that zone.

11.030.3.2. **Ballot Specifications.**

The general secretary shall cause a copy of the ballot to be mailed to each club in the zone by 1 May and 15 May and 15 February. The ballot shall include photographs and biographical statements of each past director, including the past director’s name, club, RI offices, and international committee appointments held and year(s) of service. Such ballot shall be mailed with instructions that the completed ballot be returned to the general secretary at the World Headquarters of the Secretariat by 30 June and 31 March.

11.030.5. **Balloting Committee Meeting.**

The president shall appoint a balloting committee which shall meet at a time and place determined by the president to examine and count the ballots. Such meeting shall take place no later than 10 July and 10 April. The balloting committee shall certify its report of the balloting results to the general secretary within five days of the committee’s adjournment.

11.030.7. **Vacancy.**

In the event of a vacancy in the committee from a zone, the most recent past director available who was eligible for membership on the committee from such zone on 1 January shall be the member of the nominating committee.

11.030.8. **Term.**

The term of the committee shall commence on 1 July and 15 April of the calendar year in which its members are elected. The committee shall serve for one year. Any alternate called to serve on the committee shall serve for the unexpired term of the committee.

11.040. **Procedure for Functioning of Committee.**

11.040.3. **Forwarding Names to Committee.**

The general secretary shall, between 1 May and 15 May and 1 and 15 February in each year, mail a letter to all Rotarians who will be eligible to serve as president. The letter will ask if such Rotarians are willing to be considered for nomination for president and will advise them to notify the general secretary prior to 30 June and 31 March whether they wish to have their names listed as being willing and able to serve. Those Rotarians not responding to the general secretary by 30 June and 31 March will not be considered by the nominating committee. The general secretary shall forward the list of those willing to serve to the nominating committee and to Rotarians upon request at least one week prior to the committee meeting.

11.050. **Nomination by the Committee.**

11.050.2. **Committee Meeting.**

The committee shall meet no later than 15 August immediately prior to the annual convention at a time and place determined by the board. All candidates shall be given an opportunity to be interviewed by the committee according to procedures determined by the board.

11.070. **Additional Nomination by Clubs.**

In addition to the nomination made by the committee, challenges may be made in the following manner.

11.070.1. **Candidate Previously Considered and Concurrence.**
Any club may suggest as a challenging candidate the name of a qualified Rotarian who duly notified the general secretary pursuant to subsection 11.040.3. of his or her willingness to be considered for nomination for president. The name of the challenging candidate shall be submitted pursuant to a duly adopted resolution by the club at a regular meeting. The resolution must be supported by a concurrence of at least a majority of the clubs in the district obtained at a district conference or through a ballot-by-mail. The concurrence must be certified to the general secretary by the district’s governor. The resolution must be accompanied by a written statement from the challenging candidate that such candidate is willing to have such candidacy submitted to the clubs for endorsement. The foregoing requirements must be completed by 1 October 15 July of the relevant year.

The general secretary shall notify the clubs of the suggested challenging candidates and provide the clubs with a registered form for use by any club which desires to endorse any such challenging candidate. The general secretary shall provide such notice and forms immediately following 1 October 15 July.

11.070.4. Endorsement of Challenging Candidate.
If on 15 November 1 September, any such challenging candidate has been endorsed by 1 percent of the clubs comprising the membership of RI as of the preceding 1 July, with at least half of the endorsements originating from clubs in zones other than that of the challenging candidate(s), such challenging candidate(s) and the nominee of the committee shall be balloted upon as provided in section 11.100. Where the challenging candidate fails to receive the prescribed endorsements by 15 November 1 September, the president shall declare the nominee of the committee to be the president-nominee.

11.100. Ballot-by-Mail.
The procedure for electing a president pursuant to a ballot-by-mail as provided in section 11.070. shall be by the following procedures.

11.100.3. Mailing of Ballot.
The balloting committee shall cause a copy of the ballot to be mailed to each club no later than the following 15 February 1 November. Such ballot shall be mailed with instructions that the completed ballot be returned to the balloting committee at the World Headquarters of the Secretariat no later than 15 April 1 January. Such ballot shall include photographs and biographical statements of the candidates.

11.100.5. Balloting Committee Meeting.
The balloting committee shall meet at a time and place determined by the president. The committee shall examine and count the ballots. Such meeting must take place no later than 20 April 15 January. The balloting committee shall certify its report of the results of the balloting to the general secretary within five days thereafter.

11.100.7. Announcement of President-elect.
The president shall announce the name of the president-elect no later than 25 April 25 January.

53. Fifth Object of Rotary

Statement: In decision 216, June 2013 the Board agreed to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation a proposed enactment to add a fifth part to the Object of Rotary to include the development of service and leadership in youth. In reviewing this legislation, the Constitution and Bylaws Committee noted that the proposed amendments only included changes to the RI Constitution. Since the Object of Rotary also appears in the Standard Rotary Club Constitution, the committee recommended a revision to the legislation to reflect amendments in both documents.

DECISION: The Board

1. amends its proposal “To add a fifth part to the Object of Rotary to include the development of service and leadership in youth” that it agreed to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation, so that it reads as follows:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To add a fifth part to the Object of Rotary to include the development of service and leadership in youth

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the CONSTITUTION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby is amended as follows:

Article 4 Object
The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:
First. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
Second. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian’s occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
Third. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian’s personal, business, and community life;
Fourth. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service;
Fifth. The empowerment of a new generation of global leaders through service, mentorship, international exchange, and leadership development opportunities.

IT IS FURTHER ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows:

Article 4 Object
The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:
First. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
Second. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian’s occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
Third. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian’s personal, business, and community life;
Fourth. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service;
Fifth. The empowerment of a new generation of global leaders through service, mentorship, international exchange, and leadership development opportunities.

2. requests the general secretary to further review this proposal for report to the Board at its January 2015 meeting.

54. Club Termination Policy

Statement: In decision 121, May 2014, the Board addressed concerns regarding litigation filed against RI that resulted from election disputes by amending the “failure to function” status for a Rotary club to include any club that maintains in its membership individuals who sue RI or any of its related entities. The president-elect suggested the Board take further disciplinary action by submitting legislation to the 2016 Council that would authorize the RI Board to suspend or terminate a club that has as a member a Rotarian who initiates or maintains litigation against RI or TRF before exhausting all applicable remedies.

DECISION: The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To authorize the RI Board to suspend or terminate a club that has as a member a Rotarian who initiates or maintains litigation against RI or TRF prior to exhausting all applicable remedies

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

To amend the BYLAWS of Rotary International as follows:

Article 3 Resignation, Suspension or Termination of Membership in RI

3.030. Board Authority to Discipline, Suspend, or Terminate a Club.

3.030.4. Termination for Legal Action.
The board may suspend or terminate the membership of any club that initiates, maintains, or retains in its membership an individual who initiates or maintains litigation against Rotary International or The Rotary Foundation, including their directors, trustees, officers, and employees, prior to exhausting all remedies required in the constitutional documents.

DECISIONS 55–58

Board Council on Legislation Advisory Committee Report

The Board Council on Legislation Advisory Committee met on 24 August 2014 to review legislation that the Board plans to propose to the 2016 Council, among other Council-related matters. The committee made three recommendations to the Board.
55. RI Audit Committee

Statement: In decision 170, May 2014, the Board agreed to submit legislation amending the terms of reference for the Audit committee. The Board Council on Legislation Advisory Committee suggested additional amendments to this proposed enactment to bring it in line with other provisions found in the constitutional documents.

DECISION: The Board amends its proposal “To amend the terms of reference for the Audit Committee” that it agreed to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation pursuant to its decision 170, May 2014, so that it reads as follows:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To amend the terms of reference for the Audit Committee

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

To amend the BYLAWS of Rotary International as follows:

Article 16 Committees

16.110. Audit Committee.
The board shall appoint an audit committee to be composed of seven members, each of whom shall be independent and financially literate. The members of the committee shall include three current members of the board appointed annually by the board and two current trustees of The Rotary Foundation appointed annually by the trustees. In addition, the committee shall include two four members appointed by the board who shall be neither members of the board nor trustees of The Rotary Foundation, and who shall serve single terms of six years with one member appointed every third year. The audit committee shall review and report to the board as appropriate on RI and Rotary Foundation financial reports, the external audit, the system of internal control, internal audit, and other matters connected therewith. The committee shall meet up to three times per year at such times and places and upon such notice as may be determined by the president, the board, or the chairman of the committee, and, if deemed necessary by the president or the chairman of the committee, additional times during the year at such times and places and upon such notice as may be determined by the president or the chairman of the committee. The chairman of the operations review committee or the chairman’s designee shall serve as a liaison to the committee. The committee, which shall act only in an advisory capacity to the board and trustees, shall function under such terms of reference not in conflict with the provisions of this section, as may be prescribed by the board and trustees.

Interim Provision Relating to Subsection 16.110.
From the effective date of 1 July 2016, one additional non-director/non-trustee member shall serve a six-year term, beginning 1 July 2017 and one additional non-director/non-trustee shall serve a six-year term, beginning 1 July 2018.

56. Proposed Legislation

Statement: The Board Council on Legislation Advisory Committee suggested that the Board submit three additional items of legislation to the 2016 Council regarding operations of the Council.

DECISION: The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following, as shown in Appendix G:

a. To revise the publication requirement for legislation
b. To define the term of office for Council on Legislation representatives
c. To provide for a second vice chairman of the Council on Legislation

57. Membership of Alumnus

Statement: Noting the new definition of Rotary alumni, the Board Council on Legislation Advisory Committee suggested that the Board submit legislation that addresses this change.

DECISION: The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To make technical amendments to the provisions regarding membership of alumnus in clubs

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

To amend the CONSTITUTION of Rotary International as follows:

Article 5 Membership

Section 2 — Composition of Clubs.
A club shall be composed of active members each of whom shall be an adult person of good character and good business, professional and/or community reputation,
(1) engaged as a proprietor, partner, corporate officer, or manager of any worthy and recognized business or profession; or
(2) holding any important position in any worthy and recognized business or profession or any branch or agency thereof and have executive capacity with discretionary authority; or
(3) having retired from any position listed in sub-subsection (1) or (2) of this subsection; or
(4) being a community leader who has demonstrated through personal involvement in community affairs a commitment to service and the Object of Rotary; or
(5) having the status of Rotary Foundation alumnus as defined by the board; or
(6) having interrupted employment or having never worked in order to care for children or to assist the spouse in their work

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having his or her place of business or residence located in the locality of the club or the surrounding area. An active member moving from the locality of the club or the surrounding area may retain membership in the club where the member’s board grants such permission and said active member continues to meet all conditions of club membership.

Each club shall have a well-balanced membership in which no one business, profession or type of community service predominates. The club shall not elect a person to active membership from a classification if the club already has five or more members from that classification, unless the club has more than 50 members, in which case, the club may elect a person to active membership in a classification so long as it will not result in the classification making up more than 10 percent of the club’s active membership. Members who are retired shall not be included in the total number of members in a classification. The classification of a transferring or former member of a club, or a Rotary Foundation alumnus as defined by the board of directors of RI, shall not preclude election to active membership even if the election results in club membership temporarily exceeding the above limitations. If a member changes classification, the club may continue the member’s membership under the new classification notwithstanding these limitations.

And to amend the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION as follows:

Article 8 Classifications

Section 2 — Limitations. This club shall not elect a person to active membership from a classification if the club already has five or more members from that classification, unless the club has more than 50 members, in which case, the club may elect a person to active membership in a classification so long as it will not result in the classification making up more than 10 percent of the club’s active membership. Members who are retired shall not be included in the total number of members in a classification. The classification of a transferring or former member of a club, or a Rotary Foundation alumnus as defined by the board of directors of RI, shall not preclude election to active membership even if the election results in club membership temporarily exceeding the above limitations. If a member changes classification, the club may continue the member’s membership under the new classification notwithstanding these limitations.

58. RI President Authorization

Statement: Noting that the deadline to submit legislation for the 2016 Council is 31 December 2014 and that the next Board meeting is after that date, the Board Council on Legislation Advisory Committee suggested that the Board authorize the president (with the consent of the Board Council on Legislation Advisory Committee chairman) to act on its behalf regarding all Council matters until the Board’s January 2015 meeting.

DECISION: The Board authorizes the 2014–15 president, with the consent of the Board Council on Legislation Advisory Committee chairman, to act on its behalf until the January 2015 meeting with respect to all matters relating to the Council on Legislation, including submitting statements of purpose and effect for items submitted at this meeting and legislation proposed on the Board’s behalf.

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59. **Strategic Planning Committee Report**

**Statement:** The Strategic Planning Committee met on 22–23 September 2014 in Evanston, IL, USA and discussed the status of enterprise projects, the refined organizational measurers for ensuring Rotary stays on track to reach its strategic objectives, a strategic plan communications update, results from external research on Rotary’s image among non-Rotarians, membership concerns, and the possible need for developing an RI vision statement, among other topics.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. agrees to adopt the framework of measures and indexes as shown in Appendix H, filed only with the official copy of these minutes;

2. requests the general secretary to work with the Strategic Planning Committee to prepare an interim report of these measures to the Board at its May 2015 meeting and a full report of the indexes at its October 2015 meeting, based on data collected in 2014–15;

3. requests the Strategic Planning Committee to develop an RI vision statement for consideration by the Board at its May 2015 meeting.

60. **Member Benefit Program**

**Statement:** In decision 18, “July” 2014, the Board agreed that a member benefit card program could provide tangible, direct benefits to members and requested the general secretary to prepare a comprehensive report on the feasibility of such a program at this meeting. The general secretary presented different options for the Board’s consideration, including opportunities and challenges for each option and their staffing and resource requirements.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. requests the general secretary to
   a. offer a member benefit program to Rotarians by negotiating trade discounts for members with reputable companies;
   b. manage the member benefit program;
   c. encourage districts to implement grassroots, district member benefit programs based on the experience of District 3450 (Hong Kong, Macau, Mongolia), as shown in Appendix I;
   d. launch the member benefit program by 1 July 2015, if possible;

2. agrees as part of the member benefit program to offer at no cost to Rotarians a virtual membership card to those that wish to participate;

3. recognizing that the quality of Rotary’s membership data is limited, requests the general secretary to explore cost-effective ways of improving the overall quality of this data to help better attract member benefit corporate partners;

4. approves the expenditure of US$241,000 in 2014–15 from the funds approved by the Board in its decision 22, July 2014, for initial expenses of the member benefit program;

5. requests the general secretary to budget up to US$432,000 in 2015–16 to fund this program;

6. requests the president-elect to appoint a three-person committee to assist the general secretary in launching this initiative;

7. requests the general secretary to provide an update on this initiative, including what impact implementing such a member benefit program has on other Secretariat projects, at its January 2015 meeting;

8. amends the Rotary Code of Policies as shown in Appendix J.

61. **Clarification of Criteria for Exceptions for Use of “Rotary” Name**

**Statement:** In decision 133, May 2014, the Board agreed to a policy exception regarding use of the “Rotary” name to allow Australian Rotary Health (ARH)—a non-Rotary entity—to use the “Rotary” trademark in its name, provided it enter into an agreement with RI. The general secretary noted that since this decision, ARH had not signed the agreement and that this policy exception created some confusion among Australian Rotarians regarding the correct use of the “Rotary” name. The general secretary suggested amendments to the Rotary Code to clarify the policy for any entity seeking an exception to RI’s policy for use of the “Rotary” name.

**DECISION:** The Board
1. amends Rotary Code of Policies section 33.040.8. as shown in Appendix K;

2. reaffirms its decision 133, May 2014 to allow for an exception to policy for the use of the “Rotary” trademark by Australian Rotary Health, provided an agreement is entered into between Australian Rotary Health and RI according to the terms previously set forth, and requests Australian Rotary Health to sign the agreement without further delay;

3. requests the general secretary to respond on behalf of the Board to the request from the District Governors in Australia concerning Australian Rotary Health, as shown in Appendix L, filed only with the official copy of these minutes;

4. requests the general secretary to continue ongoing review of existing projects and activities to bring them in compliance with current trademark policy.

62. Information Technology Status Report

Statement: The general secretary provides a semi-annual update to the Board on Secretariat plans related to information technology projects and initiatives. The general secretary reported on completed and ongoing IT projects, including the projects’ goals and status toward completion. The general secretary also suggested that while the Board should continue to receive a semi-annual report, it need not be an agenda item at future Board meetings.

DECISION: The Board

1. receives the general secretary’s information technology and enterprise projects status report;

2. agrees that future IT reports are not required meeting agenda items, provided that the Board continue to receive the reports semi-annually via email and on the Board portal, and rescinds its decision 156, February 2006, accordingly.

63. Status of Litigation

Statement: The general secretary provides a report at each Board meeting regarding ongoing litigation affecting RI. In reviewing this report, the Executive Committee expressed concern about the resources RI has spent defending pending litigation in India.

DECISION: The Board

1. receives the general secretary’s report on litigation;

2. expresses concern that the total amount spent by RI on attorneys’ fees since January 2013 in defending pending litigation in India arising out of election disputes and stewardship issues exceeds US$50,000;

3. requests the general secretary, in consultation with the Rotary leadership in India, to consider ways to reduce election- and stewardship-related litigation, for report to the Board at its January 2015 meeting.

64. Joint Committee on Partnerships Report

Statement: The Joint Committee on Partnerships met on 11–12 September 2014 in Evanston, Illinois, USA. The committee discussed the status of current partnerships, a 16-step process for formalizing strategic partnerships, a review of an affinity program with telecommunications company Sprint, a possible member benefit program, results of research that looked into the perception of Rotary among Rotary’s partners and potential partners, and the potential alignment of strategic partners with RI’s six areas of a focus, among other topics. The committee made several recommendations to the Board.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the Joint Committee on Partnerships for its report;

2. notes that the Trustees and the Board have recognized that developing relations with partners requires time and have restructured the Joint Committee on Partnerships recommending members for multi-year terms;

3. looks favorably on the list of potential strategic partners (Appendix M) and requests the general secretary to add these organizations to the Coordinated Contact List;

4. adopts the 16-step process for formalizing partnerships, as shown in Appendix N;

5. looks favorably on an affinity relationship with Sprint targeting Rotarians in the United States as a two-year pilot to raise funds for The Rotary Foundation;

6. requests the general secretary to work on a one-year extension of the current agreement with UNESCO-IHE (cohort of 2015–17) and further negotiate the
terms of the partnership, for report to the Board at its January 2015 meeting;

7. looks favorably on the list of potential resourcing partners as shown in Appendix O, and requests that these organizations be added to the coordinated contact list maintained by the general secretary;

8. agrees to extend the Memorandum of Understanding with the Peace Corps for three years through 3 May 2018;

9. agrees to extend the agreement with ShelterBox for one year through 31 March 2016;

10. agree to renew the Memorandum of Understanding with:

   a. Dollywood for three years through 31 December 2017;
   b. Global FoodBanking Network for three years through 31 March 2018;
   c. Youth Service America (YSA) for three years through 31 March 2018;

11. discontinue the relationship with the International Reading Association, but encourage interested Rotary clubs and IRA councils to continue working together at a local level;

12. requests the general secretary to explore how the work of obtaining event sponsorships may be outsourced;

13. requests the Communications Committee to provide a recommendation on the promotion of Rotarian Action Groups, and to consider whether an annual listing of action groups should be included in the mandatory content for the Rotary World Press;

14. requests the general secretary to inform the International PolioPlus Committee that UNICEF is on the potential strategic partner list.

65. Joint Committee on Alumni Relations

Statement: The Joint Committee on Alumni Relations met on 25–26 September 2014 in Evanston, Illinois, USA. The committee discussed strategies for implementing the new definition of alumni that the Board had adopted at its January 2014 meeting, results of an alumni survey, findings from three alumni focus groups conducted at the Sydney convention, alumni and Rotary membership, the status of an alumni database migration project at the Secretariat, alumni involvement at RI conventions, and other alumni engagement strategies, among other topics. The committee made several recommendations to the Board.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. reaffirms the responsibility of the Joint Committee on Alumni Relations to coordinate a cohesive approach to alumni relations for Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation;

2. request future RI presidents and trustee chairs to

   a. appoint committee members on staggered, three-year terms, in an effort to build continuity in the committee;

   b. give special consideration to young alumni when selecting members to serve on the Joint Committee on Alumni Relations;

3. affirms its support of studying the alternative models for Rotary membership proposed by the Membership Development and Retention Committee;

4. accepts the draft engagement strategies as outlined in Appendix P and request the committee to complete them, for report at the May 2015 meeting;

5. adopts a new Rotary Code of Policies section on alumni awards as adopted by the Trustees at their October 2014 meeting, and shown in Appendix Q.

66. Alumni Non-Rotarian Registration Rate at RI Convention

Statement: In decision 159, May 2014, the Board requested the general secretary to study the budgetary implications of offering a discounted registration rate to all non-Rotarian alumni, regardless of program participation year. The general secretary noted that this could result in more non-Rotarian alumni attending the annual convention and that such a model did not raise budgetary concerns.

**DECISION:** The Board agrees to set a single RI Convention registration fee for all non-Rotarian Rotary alumni—regardless of their year of participation—that is the same as the registration fee for Rotaractors and requests the general secretary to include this in the proposed 2016 RI (Seoul) Convention budget being considered by the Board at its January 2015 meeting.
67. 2016 RI (Seoul) Convention Committee Report

Statement: The 2016 RI (Seoul) Convention Committee met on 17–19 August in Seoul, Korea. The committee discussed the draft convention program, convention luncheons, convention logo and tagline, the projected attendance and corresponding budget requirements, sponsorship and promotion ideas, a convention mobile app, transportation and housing at the convention, and host organization committee responsibilities, among other topics. The committee made several recommendations to the Board.

DECISION: The Board

1. receives the draft program of events and activities for the 2016 Seoul convention, as shown in Appendix R, filed only with the official copy of these minutes, and authorizes the president-elect, convention co-chairs, and the general secretary to continue to develop the program with regular reports to the Board;

2. approves a budgeted attendance of 27,500 for the 2016 RI (Seoul) Convention;

3. agrees to consider allowing the HOC to pursue an alcoholic beverage company sponsorship for the Seoul convention. If there is a merchandising component to such a sponsorship, whether for giveaway or sale, and whether or not for fundraising purposes, then:
   a. the label on the alcoholic beverage shall not contain the Rotary emblem, and
   b. asks the general secretary to work on a suitable substitute design for approval by the president-elect;

4. agrees to consider allowing the HOC to pursue a gambling industry/casino sponsorship for the 2016 convention;

5. agrees to an exception to Rotary Code of Policies, section 22.010.7., regarding district conference timeframe, to allow for select Korean Rotary districts to hold their district conferences at the same time as the International Convention on-site at KINTEX;

6. agrees to an exception to Rotary Code of Policies, section 57.120.9., regarding reserved seating at the RI Convention, to allow Korean delegates from those districts holding their district conference at the time of the convention to sit together within the main plenary hall;

7. approves a new convention registration category for non-Rotarian alumni, regardless of year of participation;

8. agrees that attendees of 2016 preconvention meetings may register for stand-alone pre-convention meetings without registering for the convention itself;

9. accepts the proposal from the districts in Korea to host the 2016 Rotary International Convention on 28 May–1 June 2016 in Seoul, Korea with KINTEX as the primary venue.

68. Possible Host Cities for 2019, 2021, and 2022 RI Convention

Statement: In decision 87, January 2014, the Board requested the general secretary to solicit proposals from a select list of 15 cities to host the RI Convention in 2019, 2021, and 2022, for report at this meeting. Using RI convention site selection criteria provided in Rotary Code of Policies section 57.040, the general secretary reviewed proposals from several cities.

DECISION: The Board

1. requests the general secretary to proceed to inspect Hamburg, Germany; Hong Kong/Macau, People’s Republic of China; Houston, Texas, USA; and Taipei City, Taiwan;

2. requests the general secretary to contact the Rotarians and tourism offices in Boston, MA, USA; Cape Town, South Africa; Madrid, Spain; Manila, Philippines; Montpellier, France; Orlando, Florida, USA; and Rome, Italy to thank them for their proposals and to inform them of the Board’s decision regarding future RI Conventions;

3. requests the general secretary to report to the Board at its October 2015 meeting regarding site selection recommendations for the 2019, 2021, and 2022 RI Conventions.

69. Convention Host Area Rebate Policy

Statement: Current policy provides that if a convention host area gets 50 percent of its Rotarians to register for the convention by the first deadline, the Host
Organizing Committee (HOC) receives a 25 percent rebate of registration income from the host area. In decision 102, October 2012, the Board authorized a one-time exception to this policy such that if the Sydney host area registration met 30 percent of the host area’s membership, the Sydney HOC would receive a 10 percent rebate of registration fees from the host area. The Board further requested the general secretary to evaluate whether this exception should be permanently included in convention policy, for report at this meeting. The general secretary noted that in the last 20 years, only two HOCs (Osaka and Bangkok) have met the 50 percent threshold. The Board discussed the value of maintaining a host area rebate policy.

**DECISION:** The Board eliminates its convention host area rebate policy for conventions after 2017.

### 70. International RYLA

**Statement:** In decision 157, January 2013, the Board agreed to review International RYLA and requested the general secretary to provide a report to the Board at this meeting. The general secretary noted that while the International RYLA held in conjunction with an RI Convention provided excellent leadership experience to its participants, the considerable cost of organizing the event for such a small number of participants called into question the event’s true value to RI. RYLA events organized at the club and district level, however, are very successful, and the general secretary noted that the strong commitment among local Rotarian organizers, club-, district-, and multidistrict-level RYLA events will most effectively engage young leaders globally.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. discontinues the three-year International RYLA pilot established in Board decision 275, May 2012;
2. notes that the São Paulo Host Organization Committee will not hold an International RYLA event before the 2015 RI (São Paulo) Convention;
3. recognizing that the strengths of RYLA stem from local innovation and expertise, agrees not to organize, host, or sponsor future International RYLA events in conjunction with the international convention;
4. reaffirms that current policy permits those Rotarians involved in RYLA to organize RYLA events at the multidistrict and/or international levels, as provided in Rotary Code of Policies section 41.050.;
5. requests the general secretary to promote multidistrict or international RYLA events (organized in accordance with RI policies concerning RYLA, youth protection, and youth travel) as an opportunity to engage young leaders;
6. discontinues the RYLA Preconvention, effective immediately, and rescinds Rotary Code of Policies section 41.050.8. accordingly.

### 71. Pre-Convention Young Generation Get Together

**Statement:** In decision 147, May 2014, the Board approved the concept of a pre-convention young generation get together aimed at all Rotary youth program participants at the 2016 Seoul Convention and requested the general secretary to work with Director Yun to develop the concept, for review at this meeting. The general secretary presented a proposal that included participant identification and selection, program design, Rotarian leadership roles for developing the event, and estimated budget and funding requirements.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. looks with favor upon a Young Leaders Summit in conjunction with the 2016 RI (Seoul) Convention at no cost to RI;
2. requests the general secretary to help promote the Seoul HOC volunteer opportunities to Rotaractors and other Rotary Alumni under age 30;
3. requests an update on the Seoul HOC’S plans for this event at the January 2015 Board meeting.

### 72. New Generations Committee Report

**Statement:** The New Generations Committee met on 29–30 September, 2014 in Evanston, Illinois, USA. The committee discussed its role in coordinating youth and young professional initiatives with the Membership Development and Retention Committee, the Rotaract and Interact Committee, and the Joint Committee on Alumni Relations; it also discussed possible cross promotional activities with RI and Foundation programs, New Generations service exchange, Rotaract transitions to Rotary, and alternative Rotary club models that are more attractive to young professionals, among other topics. The committee made several recommendations to the Board.

**DECISION:** The Board
1. thanks the president for facilitating coordination between the New Generations Committee, Membership Development and Retention Committee, the Rotaract and Interact Committee, and the Joint Committee on Alumni Relations and suggests to future presidents that they continue to facilitate coordination between these committees to recommend policies, tactics, and strategies to attract young professionals to Rotary;

2. requests the president-elect to arrange for the New Generations Committee, the Joint Committee on Alumni Relations, and the Rotaract and Interact Committee to meet concurrently in 2015–16;

3. agrees in principle to continue studying the alternative models for Rotary clubs and Rotary membership;

4. requests the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation for possible submission to the 2016 Council on Legislation to provide Rotaractors with a membership status in Rotary International and to allow the Board to collect per capita dues from Rotaractors;

5. noting the 31 December 2014 deadline for submission of all legislation, authorizes the RI president to approve the proposed legislation on its behalf;

6. amends Rotary Code of Policies section 21.060. to strengthen the responsibilities of the district New Generations Committee role and clarify responsibilities as follows:

21.060. District New Generations (Youth Service) Committees

District governors are encouraged to appoint a district New Generations (Youth Service) committee, providing for continuity and leadership development. The committee shall work with district Interact, Rotaract, RYLA, Youth Exchange, and any other committees as determined appropriate by the governor to share expertise across the district, lead cross-promotion between programs, promote service opportunities, and coordinate efforts between district committees. District New Generations (Youth Service) committees are encouraged to facilitate district recognition for clubs and/or individuals who advance the principles of New Generations and empower and engage young people.

7. requests the Leadership Development and Training Committee to meet by correspondence and review making district New Generations (Youth Service) committees mandatory under the District Leadership Plan, for report to the Board at its January 2015 meeting;

8. requests the general secretary to increase coverage of New Generations in The Rotarian and the Rotary World Magazine Press and include New Generations voices that explore the relationship between engaging young professionals and Rotary membership;

9. to engage with young professional constituents more effectively, requests the general secretary to improve online resources for Rotaractors and Rotaract clubs.

73. Proposal for New Generations Assistant Rotary Coordinators

Statement: The Board considered a proposal from Vice President Giay to create a new assistant Rotary coordinator position that focuses specifically on New Generations.

DECISION: The Board

1. recognizes the importance of New Generations as a critical aspect to help create and implement effective programs for youth;

2. encourages all Rotary coordinators and assistant Rotary coordinators to make New Generations a priority and to integrate the topic into their activities to engage youth and support and strengthen Rotary’s youth programs;

3. requests the general secretary to include training on New Generations at the Regional Leaders Training Institute and in ongoing education efforts.

74. Coordinator Groups and Responsibility for Alumni

Statement: In decision 158, May 2014, the Board agreed in concept to a shared responsibility model among the three regional coordinator groups (Rotary coordinators, regional Rotary Foundation coordinators, and Rotary public image coordinators) in support of the new definition of alumni and requested the general secretary to review how the three coordinator groups would share alumni responsibilities, for report at this meeting. The
general secretary noted that Rotary coordinators will engage alumni to build strong clubs and broaden prospective membership base; regional Rotary Foundation coordinator will engage alumni for fundraising and effective Foundation support; and Rotary public image coordinators will engage alumni to highlight alumni’s achievements to further enhance Rotary’s public image.

DECISION: The Board
1. change the responsibilities for Rotary coordinators and Rotary public image coordinators to fit a shared responsibility model for alumni for all regional coordinator groups and amend the Rotary Code of Policies as shown in Appendix S;
2. request the general secretary to inform the Rotary coordinators and Rotary public image of this change.

DECISIONS 75–77
Leadership Development and Training Committee Report

The Leadership Development and Training Committee met on 22–23 September 2014 in Evanston, Illinois, USA and made several recommendations to the Board.

75. Training Cycle Overview

Statement: The Leadership Development and Training Committee noted the lack of a governor-nominee training and a district public image seminar in the official training cycle and suggested that the Board encourage the implementation of these two training needs.

DECISION: The Board
1. reaffirms the importance of governor-nominee training seminars and recommends all institute conveners to offer such seminars;
2. recommends that all governors-nominee attend the governor nominee training seminar offered in their zone;
3. requests institute conveners to select a qualified trainer for the governor-nominee training seminar;
4. agrees that districts should hold a public image seminar to support the RI strategic plan, either as a free-standing event or in conjunction with other seminars;
5. modifies the Leadership Development Training Cycle to include a district public image seminar, as outlined in Appendix T, filed only with the official copy of these minutes.

76. International Assembly Timing

Statement: In decision 138, May 2014 meeting, the Board looked with favor on holding the International Assembly between 1 February and 31 March and requested the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation providing for this timeframe. After a comprehensive review of the training cycle, the Leadership Development and Training Committee noted several challenges of adopting this time frame.

DECISION: The Board rescinds its decision 138, May 2014, regarding dates of the International Assembly:

77. Impact of the New Definition of Rotary Alumni on the District Leadership Plan

Statement: In decision 158, May 2014, the Board requested the Leadership Development and Training Committee to analyze how the new definition of Rotary alumni impacts the District Leadership Plan. The committee agreed that the new definition greatly expands the number of Rotary alumni and that responsibility for this group does not fit with another district committee. The committee noted the need, therefore, to create a new District Alumni Committee that will be responsible for addressing alumni-related issues.

DECISION: The Board
1. noting the impact of the expanded definition of Rotary alumni, approves in concept of a District Alumni Committee;
2. amends the District Leadership Plan to add a District Alumni Committee, as outlined in Appendix U (filed only with the official copy of these minutes), effective July 2015;
3. requests the Trustees to amend The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies to remove alumni from the grants subcommittee chair’s responsibility list;
4. encourages the district alumni chair to work with the Rotary coordinator, Rotary public image
81. Special Observances

Statement: The Board has designated each month with a special observance: October, for example, to align with Vocational Service. President-elect Ravindran suggested that each month instead be designated to one of Rotary’s areas of focus.

DECISION: The Board

1. agrees to modify Rotary’s calendar of special observances to designate specific months highlighting the Areas of Focus and amends Rotary Code of Policies sections 8.020., 19.010.5., and 40.070. as follows:

8.020. Monthly Emphasis on Various Programs
RI has established monthly program emphases as follows: August as “Membership and Extension Month,” September as “New Generations Area of Focus: Basic Education and Literacy Month,” October as “Vocational Service Area of Focus: Economic and Community Development Month,” November as “The Rotary Foundation Month,” December as “Family – Area of Focus: Disease Prevention and Treatment Month,” January as “Rotary Awareness Vocational Service Month,” February as “World Understanding Area of Focus: Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month,” March as “Literacy Area of Focus: Maternal and Child Health Month,” May as “Youth Service Month,” and June as “Rotary Fellowships Month.” Clubs should present one or more weekly programs to promote the appropriate emphasis.

19.010.5. Governors’ Responsibilities to Rotary World Magazine Press
Governors shall remind clubs to pay the subscription costs of their magazine, and use it as a resource tool for public relations and membership, as well as to promote magazine month in April.

40.070. Family and Community
Rotarians, clubs and districts worldwide are encouraged to demonstrate their commitment to family and community through projects, activities and events in celebration of “Family Month” during the month of December each year.

2. requests the general secretary to promote to clubs and districts the internationally recognized days that relate to the Areas of Focus.
82. World Health Fairs Rotarian Action Group Name Change Request

Statement: The World Health Fairs Rotarians Action Group requested the Board to authorize a name change to more accurately reflect the group’s expanded scope of activities. It was suggested that to free up the Board’s agenda to allow for more strategic items, the Board grant the general secretary the authority to act on the its behalf regarding Rotarian Action Group name change requests.

DECISION: The Board

1. agrees to recognize the Rotarian Action Group formerly known as “World Health Fairs Rotarian Action Group” under its new proposed name, “Health Education and Wellness Rotarian Action Group;”

2. authorizes the general secretary to approve future Global Networking Group name changes on the Board’s behalf and adds the following article to the Rotary Code of Policies:

The general secretary is authorized to approve changes to the official name of any Global Networking Group on behalf of the Board, provided that the name is in accordance with RI policy.

83. Membership Trends

Statement: The general secretary provides the Board an annual report on RI membership trends. As of 30 June 2014, membership was 1,207,102 Rotarians and 34,823 clubs. The general secretary reported on membership retention trends, new club vitality, the shrinking average club size, and the regional membership plans.

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

DECISIONS 84–86
Membership Committee Report

The Membership Committee met on 31 July–1 August 2014 in Evanston Illinois, USA and made several recommendations to the Board.

84. Membership Update

Statement: The Membership Committee reviewed current membership statistics, the regional membership plans, results from a membership satisfaction survey, the Innovation and Flexibility pilot, and the membership development business plan, among other topics.

DECISION: The Board

1. requests the general secretary to conduct a focus group of alumni and young professionals to help in the development of a new membership model that appeals to the 25–40 age group;

2. expands the Innovation and Flexibility pilot from 200 to 1,000 clubs, effective 1 July 2015;

3. based on the success of the recent membership pilots, requests the Constitution & Bylaws Committee to draft legislation for possible submission the 2016 Council on Legislation that would allow for global implementation of the provisions of the Meeting Frequency, Corporate Membership, Associate Membership and Satellite Club pilots;

4. noting the 31 December 2014 deadline for submission of all legislation, authorizes the president to approve the proposed legislation on its behalf;

5. requests the Leadership Development & Training Committee to consider the quality and consistency of the president-elect training seminar with respect to membership, and to review the role of Rotary coordinators and assistant Rotary coordinators at president-elect training seminars.

85. To Allow for Flexibility in Club Meetings and Attendance

Statement: In decision 155, May 2014, the Board requested the Membership Committee, working in conjunction with the Constitution and Bylaws committee, to draft legislation for possible submission to the 2016 Council on Legislation to improve flexibility related to membership rules and regulations.

DECISION: The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To allow for flexibility in club meetings and attendance

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors
To amend the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION as follows:

**Article 6 Exceptions to Provisions on Meetings and Attendance**
The bylaws may include rules or requirements inconsistent with Article 7, section 1; Article 10, sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5; and Article 13, section 4, of this constitution. Such rules or requirements shall supersede the rules or requirements of these sections of this constitution.

(Select one Article 6 7)

**Article 6 7 Meetings**

**Section 1 — Regular Meetings.**

(a) **Day and Time.** This club shall hold a regular meeting once each week on the day and at the time provided in the bylaws.

(b) **Change of Meeting.** For good cause, the board may change a regular meeting to any day during the period commencing with the day following the preceding regular meeting and ending with the day preceding the next regular meeting, or to a different hour of the regular day, or to a different place.

(c) **Cancellation.** The board may cancel a regular meeting if it falls on a legal holiday, including a commonly recognized holiday, or in case of the death of a club member, or of an epidemic or of a disaster affecting the whole community, or of an armed conflict in the community which endangers the lives of the club members. The board may cancel not more than four regular meetings in a year for causes not otherwise specified herein provided that this club does not fail to meet for more than three consecutive meetings.

(d) **Satellite Club Meeting (When Applicable).** If provided in the bylaws, a satellite club shall hold regular weekly meetings at a place and at a time and day decided by its members. The day, time and place of the meeting may be changed in a similar way to that provided for the club’s regular meetings in section 1(b) of this article. A satellite club meeting may be cancelled for any of the reasons enumerated in section 1(c) of this article. Voting procedures shall be as provided in the bylaws.

**Section 2 — Annual Meeting.** An annual meeting for the election of officers shall be held not later than 31 December as provided in the bylaws.

(b) A satellite club (when applicable) shall hold an annual meeting of its members before 31 December to elect officers for the general governance of the satellite club.

or

**Article 6 7 Meetings (for e-Clubs)**

**Section 1 — Regular Meetings.**

(a) **Day.** This club shall hold a regular meeting once each week by posting an interactive activity on the club’s website on the day provided in the bylaws. The meeting shall be considered as held on the day that the interactive activity is to be posted on the website.

(b) **Change of Meeting.** For good cause, the board may change a regular meeting to any day during the period commencing with the day following the preceding regular meeting and ending with the day preceding the next regular meeting.

(c) **Cancellation.** The board may cancel a regular meeting if it falls on a legal holiday, including a commonly recognized holiday, or in case of the death of a club member, or of an epidemic or of a disaster affecting the whole community, or of an armed conflict in the community which endangers the lives of the club members. The board may cancel not more than four regular meetings in a year for causes not otherwise specified herein provided that this club does not fail to meet for more than three consecutive meetings.

**Section 2 — Annual Meeting.** An annual meeting for the election of officers shall be held not later than 31 December as provided in the bylaws.

Note: Directors Høyen, Kita, and Ravindran requested that their negative votes be recorded.

86. **To Allow for Flexibility in Membership**

**Statement:** In decision 155, May 2014, the Board requested the Membership Committee, working in conjunction with the Constitution and Bylaws committee, to draft legislation for possible submission to the 2016 Council on Legislation to improve flexibility related to membership rules and regulations.

**DECISION:** The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-
To allow for flexibility in membership

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

To amend the CONSTITUTION of Rotary International as follows:

**Article 5  Membership**

**Section 3 — Ratification of Constitution and Bylaws.**
Every club granted a certificate of membership in RI and accepting the same thereby accepts, ratifies, and agrees to be bound in all things, not contrary to law, by this constitution and the bylaws of RI, and amendments thereto, and to faithfully observe the provisions thereof. A club may adopt rules or requirements regarding membership that are inconsistent with Article 5, sections 2(a) and (b) of this constitution. Such rules or requirements shall supersede the rules or requirements of these sections of this constitution.

And to amend the BYLAWS of Rotary International as follows:

**Article 4  Membership in Clubs**

A club may adopt rules or requirements inconsistent with 4.010. - 4.070. of these bylaws. Such rules or requirements shall supersede the rules or requirements of these sections of these bylaws.

And to amend the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION as follows:

**Article 10  Directors and Officers**

**Section 3 — Exceptions to Provisions on Membership.**
The bylaws may include rules or requirements inconsistent with Articles 7 and 8 of this constitution. Such rules or requirements shall supersede the rules or requirements of these sections of this constitution.

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87. Membership Development Staffing

Statement: In decision 154, May 2014, the Board requested the general secretary to investigate the feasibility of providing staff support for membership development in a manner consistent with the fund development structure, including a staffing model with geographic assignments, to support district membership chairs and Rotary coordinators.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. based on the success of the regional staffing model for the Secretariat’s Fund Development area, agrees to a three year pilot to test a regional staffing model for the Secretariat’s Membership area;

2. requests the general secretary to budget for appropriate staffing in 2015–16.

88. Districting Committee Report

Statement: The Districting Committee met on 19 August 2014 in Evanston, Illinois and reviewed three districting proposals, the status of districts with policy exemptions that expire on 1 July 2014, and the status of districts with membership of 1,150 Rotarians or fewer.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. reorganizes the clubs in District 3180 (India) into two new districts, effective 1 July 2016, as follows:

   **District 3181**
   INDIA—Revenue districts of Chamarajanagar, Mysore, Kodagu, and Dakshina Kannada.

   **District 3182**
   INDIA—Revenue districts of Udupi, Shimoga, Chikmagalur, and Hassan.

   and requests the general secretary to notify District 3180 of this decision;

2. reorganizes the clubs in District 3140 (India) into two new districts, effective 1 July 2016, as follows:

   **District 3141**
   INDIA—Revenue districts of Greater Mumbai including suburbs.

   **District 3142**
   INDIA—Revenue districts of Thane and Navi Mumbai.

   and requests the general secretary to notify District 3140 of this decision;

3. noting that exemptions expired for Districts 2540 (Japan), 5670 (USA), and 7510 (USA), requests the district leadership to grow their membership, fully participate in their regional membership plan, and for each district to submit a report of their continued
4. noting that districts under 1,100 members include 1380 (Finland), 4310, 4410, 4580, 4610, 4651, 4680, 4710, 4720, 4740, and 4750 (Brazil), 4815, 4855, and 4920 (Argentina), 5510, 7000, 7300, and 7410 (USA), and 9550 and 9570 (Australia), requests district leadership to grow their membership, fully participate in their regional membership plan, and for each district to submit a report of their continued membership efforts by 15 March 2015;

5. noting that districts with between 1,100 and 1,150 members include Districts 4690 (Bolivia), 4970 and 4980 (Uruguay), 7530 and 7640 (USA), 9700 (Australia) and 9910 (New Caledonia, New Zealand, Norfolk Island, and Vanuatu), congratulates each district on their growth to over 1,100 members and notifies each that the Districting Committee will continue to watch for continued positive growth trends in the districts.

89. Reorganization of Clubs in District 3010 (India)

Statement: The Districting Committee reviewed a districting proposal from District 3010 (India). Due to the large geographic area the district covers and the dense populations of members, the committee looked favorably upon the proposal to split.

DECISION: The Board reorganizes the clubs in District 3010 (India) into two new districts, effective 1 July 2015, as follows:

District 3011
INDIA—Areas south, west, and central to Delhi that comprise the revenue districts of Bahadurgarh, Faridabad, Gurgaon, Rewari, Mahindergarh, and Rohtak in southern Haryana.

District 3012
INDIA—Areas north, east, and central to Delhi that comprise the revenue districts of Ghaziabad, Gautam Budh Nagar, and Sonipat in the states of Uttar Pradesh and northern Haryana.

and requests the general secretary to notify District 3010 of this decision.

Note: Directors Høyen, Growney Selene, and Webb requested that their negative votes be recorded.

90. District Placement of Afghani Rotary Clubs

Statement: In decision 92, January 2014, the Board agreed to remove Rotary clubs in Afghanistan from District 3272 (Afghanistan and Pakistan) and temporarily place them into non-districted status until a new suitable district could be found. The Board further requested the general secretary to investigate nearby districts that could be capable of absorbing, supporting, and growing the clubs in Afghanistan, over the long term, for report at this meeting. Special Representative to Afghanistan, Stephen Brown reported on the status of the three clubs in Afghanistan (including a fourth in formation) and on the challenges of placing these clubs into a suitable district.

DECISION: The Board

1. receives Special Representative to Afghanistan, Past Trustee Stephen Brown’s report on district placement of Afghani Rotary clubs;

2. requests a further update at its October 2015 meeting.

91. Rezoning Proposals

Statement: Three districts petitioned the general secretary to have their zone assignments moved.

DECISION: The Board

1. reassigns District 2060 (Italy) to Zone 12, effective 1 July 2015;

2. defers consideration of the reassignment of District 2232 (Belarus and Ukraine) from Zone 16B to Zone 19 to its January 2015 meeting;

3. does not approve the request to transfer District 9010 (Algeria, Mauritania, Morocco, and Tunisia) from Zone 20B to Zone 11.

92. Rotary in China

Statement: In decision 20, July 2014, the Board approved the formation new expatriate-only Rotary clubs in China in accordance with a specific review and approval process. The Board requested a status report at this meeting. The general secretary reported that since the Board’s July decision the new Rotary Club of Chengdu was chartered, and several new fellowship groups were formed.
DECISION: The Board receives the report on recent Rotary activities in China and requests a further update at its June 2015 meeting.

93. Official Translation of Documents in Mandarin Chinese

Statement: Noting the potential for membership growth in China and Taiwan, President Huang suggested the Board approve adding Mandarin Chinese to the list of languages in which RI provides translation of essential club and district information and further to provide interpretation services in Mandarin Chinese when necessary at RI Board and Trustee meetings.

DECISION: The Board

1. congratulates the Rotarians in Taiwan for their membership growth efforts in reaching 31,376 members and for their continued financial support of Rotary and its Foundation;

2. reaffirms Rotary Code of Policies sections 48.010. and 48.020. providing that English is the only official language of RI and that Rotary provides translations of essential club and district information in French, German, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Spanish, and Swedish;

3. amends Rotary Code of Policies section 48.020. to include Mandarin Chinese with the understanding that the level of support will be determined by need and available Rotary resources, as determined by the general secretary;

4. recommends that additional staff and resources be dedicated to Mandarin Chinese to ensure adequate translation services, and requests the general secretary to budget US$80,000 in 2015–16 for this purpose;

5. recommends that resources be allocated to provide interpretation services for Board, Trustee and committee meetings as needed and requested, understanding that interpretation at an RI Convention is determined by the number of registered attendees;

6. recognizes the desire to build a national website for Taiwan (domain name to be owned by RI and maintained at RI’s costs), in compliance with Rotary’s digital guidelines, and with its content subject to RI review and approval.

94. Communications Committee Report

Statement: The Communications Committee met on 10–11 September 2014 and discussed research and feedback on recently launched online tools, how best to reach Rotarians with RI’s messages at the club level, branding issues with various program logos, a communications plan, and RI publications audit, the Rotary World Magazine Press, and the status of the public image grants program, among other topics.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the Communications Committee for its report;

2. approves a 2014–15 budget variance of US$45,000 for an additional meeting of the Communications Committee in 2014–15;

3. requests the Communications Committee to review the request from Districts 4970 and 4980 (Uruguay) regarding their regional magazine subscription, for report to the Board at its January 2015 meeting.

DECISIONS 95–103

Finance Committee Report

The RI Finance Committee met jointly with the Rotary Foundation Finance Committee on 15–17 October 2014 in Evanston, Illinois and made several recommendations to the Board.

95. Council on Legislation—Fully Costing

Statement: The RI Bylaws provide that clubs shall annually pay to RI for each of its members additional per capita dues of US$1.00 or such other amount as determined by the Board, sufficient to pay for the projected expenses of the next scheduled Council on Legislation. The Finance Committee noted that this amount is insufficient to cover costs of the 2016 Council and suggested that the Board raise this levy.

DECISION: The Board

1. approves a change in the “additional per capita dues” provided for in RI Bylaws section 17.030.2. to pay for the projected expenses of the Council on Legislation from US$1.00 to $1.50, effective 1 July 2015;
2. requests the RI Finance Committee to review RI Bylaw section 17.030.2. pertaining to “additional per capita dues” at least every three years.

Note: Director Sugitani requested that his negative vote be recorded.

96. International Convention—Fully Costing

Statement: The Finance Committee discussed expenses for the international convention and agreed that staff expenses directly related to the event should be funded by the convention budget, and further requested a review of convention event planning and budgeting.

DECISION: The Board

1. approves the cost of direct support staff who spend a significant proportion of their time for the international convention, to be funded by registration fees, effective for the 2016 RI (Seoul) Convention;

2. requests the RI Finance Committee to review the proposed convention budget before being submitted to the Board and to provide the Board with financial recommendations;

3. requests the general secretary to review the potential impact of outsourcing aspects of RI convention event planning, for report to the RI Finance Committee at its October 2015 meeting.

97. Per Capita Dues for Newly Admitted Clubs

Statement: The Finance Committee noted that current policy regarding per capita dues for newly admitted clubs has resulted in substantial financial loss to RI.

DECISION: The Board amends the Rotary Code of Policies by deleting section 18.040.13. as follows:

18.040.13. Per Capita Dues for Newly Admitted Clubs
Only clubs which have been admitted to membership in RI on or before the immediately preceding 15 May will be asked to certify to their membership on 1 July and pay per capita dues on that date. In like manner, only those clubs which have been admitted on or before the immediately preceding 15 November will be called upon to certify to their membership on 1 January and pay per capita dues as of that date.

98. Investment Policy Changes


DECISION: The Board approves changes to the RI General Fund Investment Policy Statement as shown in Appendix W, filed only with the official copy of these minutes and amends Rotary Code of Policies section 70.010. accordingly.

99. Risk Assessment Statement on Board Decisions

Statement: The Finance Committee suggested that any suggested Board decision with a financial impact greater than US$400,000 include in its background material to the Board a risk assessment.

DECISION: The Board requests the general secretary to include a risk assessment in the background documents of any suggested Board decision with a financial impact greater than US$400,000.

100. General Surplus Fund

Statement: The Finance Committee reviewed RI’s General Surplus Fund policy, including recent and planned use of RI reserves. The committee agreed that the appropriate reserve amount should be based on an annual risk based reserves assessment.

DECISION: The Board

1. requests the RI Finance Committee to evaluate the level of necessary RI financial reserves based on potential risks and the ability to fund strategic endeavors and authorizes a 2014–15 budget variance of up to US$25,000 to conduct an evaluation;

2. agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following proposed enactment, which may be amended after the evaluation is completed:

   PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

   To modify the general surplus fund expenditures requirements

   Proposed by the RI Board of Directors
IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows:

Article XVII Fiscal Matters

17.050. Budget

17.050.6. Expenditures in Excess of Anticipated Revenue; General Surplus Fund.

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17.050.4., if at any time the general surplus fund is greater than 85 percent of the highest level of annual expenses during the most recent three year period, excluding expenditures funded from the general surplus fund and the self-financing expenditures on the annual convention and the council on legislation, the level established based on the annual risk based reserves assessment, the board, by a three-quarters vote, may authorize the expenditure of amounts in excess of anticipated revenues, provided, however, that such expenditure would not cause the general surplus fund to decrease below 100 percent of such 85 percent risk based assessed level. Full details of the excess expenditure and the circumstances leading thereto shall be reported by the president to all officers of RI within 60 days and to the next convention.


Statement: In reviewing options to balance future RI budgets, the Finance Committee suggested increasing per capita dues by $1.00 annually from 2017-18 through 2019-20.

DECISION: The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To increase per capita dues

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows:

Article 17 Fiscal Matters

17.030. Dues.

17.030.1. Per Capita Dues.


Note: Director Sugitani requested that his negative vote be recorded.


Statement: In reviewing options to balance future RI budgets, the Finance Committee suggested that clubs with fewer than 10 members pay per capita dues of 10 members.

DECISION: The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To provide that each club pays dues for a minimum of 10 members

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows:

Article 17 Fiscal Matters

17.030. Dues.

17.030.2. Additional Dues.
Each club shall pay each year to RI for each of its members additional per capita dues of US$1.00 or such other amount, as determined by the board, sufficient to pay for the projected expenses of the next scheduled council on legislation. There shall be no minimum amount payable to RI by any club. If a club has fewer than 10 members, it shall pay additional per capita dues of an amount equal to the amount it would have paid if it had 10 members. In the event an extraordinary meeting of the council is convened, additional per capita dues to pay for its expenses shall be paid as soon as practicable following the meeting. Such additional dues shall be held as a separate fund restricted to provide for the expenses of representatives in attending the council, as well as other administrative expenses of the council, in a manner to be determined by the board. The board shall furnish the clubs an accounting of receipts and expenditures.

103. Council on Legislation Proposal—Rotaractor Dues

Statement: In reviewing options to balance future RI budgets, the Finance Committee suggested that the Board establish per capita dues for Rotaract clubs.

DECISION: The Board agrees to submit to the 2016 Council on Legislation the following:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To provide that Rotaractors shall pay RI per capita dues

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows

Article 17 Fiscal Matters

17.030. Dues.

17.030.1. Per Capita Dues.
Each club shall pay to RI per capita dues for each of its members as follows: US$26.50 per half year in 2013-2014, US$27.00 per half year in 2014-2015, US$27.50 per half year in 2015-2016, and US$28.00 per half year in 2016-2017 and thereafter. Such dues shall remain constant until changed by the council on legislation.

17.030.2. Per Capita Dues for Rotaractor Clubs.
Each Rotaractor club shall pay to RI per capita dues as determined by the Board.

Note: Directors Kita and Sugitani requested that their negative votes be recorded.

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104. Audited Financial Statements and Confirmation of Auditors for 2014–15

Statement: The Audit Committee met on 24–25 September 2014 in Evanston, Illinois, USA and discussed the audited financial statements and the external auditor’s report for 2013–14, confirmation of the independent auditor for 2014–15, and recently completed internal audits. The committee made three recommendations to the Board.

DECISION: The Board

1. accepts the audited financial statements and report on Rotary International’s financial results for 2013–14 as presented to the Audit Committee;

2. requests the general secretary to publish an annual report in accordance with the RI Bylaws;

3. reaffirms its decision 251, June 2013, to appoint Grant Thornton to audit RI’s financial statements for 2014–15.

105. Club Invoicing Project

Statement: In decision 96, January 2014, the Board changed several policies regarding club membership reporting that provided the opportunity to change how RI bills for per capita dues by replacing the semiannual report with a simplified club invoice beginning in
January 2015. The general secretary noted other policy sections that were affected by this change and suggested amendments to align them with the new club invoicing system. The general secretary also noted how these policy changes may affect magazine subscription requirements.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. amends the Rotary Code of Policies regarding club invoicing as shown in Appendix X, effective 1 January 2015;

2. requests the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to draft legislation for possible submission to the 2016 Council on Legislation that would amend policy regarding magazine subscriptions, as follows:

   **20.030.1. Required Subscription**

   Each member of a club not located in the United States or Canada and each member of an e-club shall become a paid subscriber to the official magazine of RI or to a Rotary magazine approved and prescribed for that club by the board. Two Rotarians residing at the same address have the option to subscribe jointly to the official magazine or the Rotary magazine approved by the Board for such club. The members shall maintain such subscriptions for the duration of their membership. Each member shall have the option to receive either a printed copy by mail or an electronic copy via the internet where available.

   **20.030.2. Exceptions to Subscription Requirement**

   A club may be excused by the board from complying with the provisions of this section if its members are not literate in any of the languages of the official magazine or the Rotary magazine approved by the board for such club. Clubs are exempt from the magazine subscription requirement when neither the official magazine nor a relevant regional magazine is offered in the clubs’ meeting language. The general secretary shall maintain a list of countries and regions whose clubs are exempt provided they meet the above criteria. Individual clubs in exempt countries are not exempt from the subscription requirement if their club meeting language is English.

3. noting the 31 December 2014 deadline for submission of all Council legislation, authorizes the RI president to approve the legislation on its behalf.

106. **Modifications to the Budget in 2014–15**

Statement: At the conclusion of each meeting, the Board reviews all actions taken during that meeting affecting their budget.

**DECISION:** The Board

1. notes no modifications to the RI budget for 2014-15, as approved through July 2014, as follows:

   **2014-15 Budget (US$):**

   | Revenues:          | 97,353,000 |
   | Expenses:          | (100,928,000) |
   |
   **Change in net assets:**

   | Convention reserves: | 557,000 |
   | GSF funded expenses:  | 3,388,000 |
   | Additional GSF Spending 2014-15: | 1,630,000 |
   | Total Change in Net Assets (net Resv/GSF): | $2,000,000 |

2. approves budget variances for 2014-15 as indicated below:

   **Expenses:**

   - July 2014 Board Meeting - approved Variances: (8,500)
   - October 2014 Board Meeting:
     - Dec. 43. Operations Review Committee Report: (32,000)
     - Dec. 60. Member Benefits Program: (241,000)
     - Dec. 77. Leadership Development and Training Committee Report: New Definition Alumni: (4,000)
     - Dec. 94. Additional Communications Committee Meeting in Fiscal 2015: (45,000)
     - Dec. 100. Consulting for financial reserves: (GSF funded): (25,000)
     - Dec. 42. Regional Leaders Training Institute Update: (40,550)

   Total October 2014 Board Meeting variances to the 2014-15 budget: (387,550)

   Total FY15 Board Meeting variances to the 2014-15 budget: $(396,050)

   **Total 2014-15 Change in Net Assets (including variances): $1,603,950**
3. notes the following decisions at this meeting impacting future years:

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**Total Revenues**

| 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 |

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**Total Incremental Expenses**

| 1,085,370 | 1,108,796 | 1,099,500 |

**Total financial impact on future years**

| 414,630 | 391,204 | 400,500 |

**Adjournment**
The foregoing is a true record of the proceedings at the October 2014 Rotary International Board of directors meeting.

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Gary C. K. Huang  
President

Andrew McDonald  
Secretary of the Meeting

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**ATTEST:**

John Hewko  
General Secretary, RI
APPENDIX A

RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE PRESIDENT
(Decision 27)

Decisions Made by President Burton

1. Disposition of Ballots Relating to Selection of Director-Nominee (Zone 22)

Statement: A ballot-by-mail was conducted in Zone 22 for the selection of director-nominee to be elected by the 2013–14 Board at its June 2014 meeting. The president appointed a Balloting Committee to examine and count the ballots returned by clubs to the general secretary. The committee met on 7 April 2014, in Evanston, IL, USA and submitted a report to the general secretary, including a recommendation regarding the outcome of the examination and count of ballots from Zone 22. Rotary Code of Policies section 27.030.6. authorizes the president to act on the Board’s behalf upon the Balloting Committee’s recommendation.

DECISION: The Board, the president acting on its behalf, agrees that

a) all ballots received from clubs in Zone 22 for the selection of the director-nominee from that zone will be held by the general secretary;

b) in the event of a formal objection being filed by a club in the zone, concerning the results of the balloting and the report of the Balloting Committee, the matter must be referred to the president for determination of the procedure to be followed;

c) in the absence of any formal objection being filed by a club in the zones as of 30 June 2014, the general secretary be authorize to destroy all ballots received from clubs in the zone.

2. Waiver of Qualifications for Governor-nominee, District 2790 (Japan)

Statement: District 2790 requested that the Board grant a waiver to Rotarian Eiichiroh Sakuragi, a member of the Rotary Club of Chiba, Chiba, Japan, from the qualifications for a governor-nominee set forth in RI Bylaws section 15.070.3. At the time of his selection, Rotarian Sakuragi had not served a full term as club president but was otherwise fully qualified to serve as governor-nominee.

DECISION: The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 15.070.3, excuses Eiichiroh Sakuragi, a member of the Rotary Club of Chiba, Chiba, Japan, from the qualifications for a governor-nominee set forth in RI Bylaws section 15.070.3.

3. Waiver of Qualifications for Governor-nominee, District 2800 (Japan)

Statement: District 2800 requested that the Board grant a waiver to Rotarian Kenji Hasegawa, a member of the Rotary Club of Yamagata, Yamagata, Japan, from the qualifications for a governor-nominee set forth in RI Bylaws section 15.070.3. At the time of his selection, Rotarian Hasegawa had not served a full term as club president but was otherwise fully qualified to serve as governor-nominee.

DECISION: The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 15.070.3, excuses Kenji Hasegawa, a member of the Rotary Club of Yamagata, Yamagata, Japan, from the qualifications for a governor-nominee set forth in RI Bylaws section 15.070.3.

4. Vacancy in the Office of Governor-elect, District 2750 (Japan)

Statement: District 2750 reported that Governor-elect Sadami Ogai passed away. The Council of Past Governors recommended that Past District Governor Toshio Sakamoto, a member of the Rotary club of Tokyo Hachioji South, Tokyo, Japan, be appointed as governor-elect. Director Kita concurred with this recommendation, and Rotarian Sakamoto indicated that he is willing to perform this duty.

DECISION: The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws sections 6.120.1 and 13.070, appoints Past District Governor Toshio Sakamoto, a member of the Rotary Club of Tokyo Hachioji South, Tokyo, to serve as governor-elect of District 2750, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.
5. **Vacancy in the Office of Governor-elect, District 2240 (Slovakia)**

*Statement:* District 2240 reported that Governor-elect Peter Ferenc is unable to perform the duties of office due to health reasons. District Governor Irena Brichta recommended that Vice Governor Jozefa Poláková as governor-elect of District 2240. Director Alpay concurred with this recommendation, and Rotarian Brichta indicated she is willing to perform this duty.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws sections 6.120.1. and 13.070., appoints Jozefa Poláková of the Rotary Club of Kosice, Slovakia, to serve as governor-elect of District 2240, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

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**Decisions Made by President Huang**

6. **Vacancy in the Office Governor, District 6380 (USA)**

*Statement:* District 6380 reported that Governor George Hedgepeth passed away. The Council of Past District Governors recommended Past Governor Don Riddell, a member of the Rotary Club of Troy, Michigan, USA, be appointed as governor. Director Growney Selene concurred with this recommendation, and Rotarian Riddell indicated he is will to perform this duty.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 6.120.1., appoints Past District Governor Don Riddell, a member of the Rotary Club of Troy, Michigan, USA, to serve as acting governor of District 6380, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

7. **Vacancy in the Office Governor, District 6080 (USA)**

*Statement:* District 6080 reported that Governor Michael Beahon passed away. The Council of Past District Governors recommended Joseph Beltz, a member of the Rotary Club of Mountain View, MO, USA, to serve as governor of District 6080, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 6.120.1., appoints Joseph Beltz, a member of the Rotary Club of Mountain View, MO, USA, to serve as governor of District 6080, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

8. **Vacancy in the Office Governor-elect, District 3051 (India)**

*Statement:* District 3051 reported that Governor-elect Hiralal Champalal Parakh was unable to fulfill the duties of the office for health reasons. Governor Patel recommended governor-nominee Lalit Sharma, a member of the Rotary Club of Ahmedabad North, be appointed as governor-elect. Director Prabhakar concurred with this recommendation, and Rotarian Sharma indicated he is willing to perform this duty.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws sections 6.120.1. and 13.070., appoints Lalit Sharma, a member of the Rotary Club of Ahmedabad North, Gujarat, India, to serve as governor-elect of District 3051, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

9. **Vacancy in the Office Governor, District 7010 (Canada)**

*Statement:* District 7010 reported that Governor Gary Traill is unable to perform the duties of the office due to health reasons. The district executive board recommended Past Governor Brian Menton, a member of the Rotary Club of Haliburton, Ontario, Canada, be appointed as governor. Director Phelps concurred with this recommendation, and Rotarian Menton indicated he is willing to perform this duty.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 6.120.1., appoints Brian Menton, a member of the Rotary Club of Haliburton, Ontario, Canada, to serve as acting governor of District 7010, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

10. **Vacancy in the Office Governor, District 1880 (Germany)**

*Statement:* District 1880 reported that Governor Rüdiger Esser is unable to perform the duties of the office due to health concerns. Governor Esser recommended Past District Governor Helmuth Rauscher, a member of the Rotary Club of Nürnberg-Sebald, Germany, be appointed as acting governor. Director Knaack concurred with this recommendation, and
Rotarian Rauscher indicated that he is willing to perform this duty.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with the provisions of RI Bylaws section 6.120.1., appoints Helmuth Rauscher, a member of the Rotary Club of Nürnberg-Sebald, Germany, to serve as governor of District 1880, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

11. Waiver of Qualifications for Governor-nominee, District 2330 (Sweden)

**Statement:** District 2330 requested that the Board grant a waiver to Rotarian Suzan Stenberg, a member of the Rotary Club Åre, Sweden, from the qualifications for a governor-nominee set forth in RI Bylaws section 15.070.3. At the time Rotarian Stenberg would take office, she will not have been a member of a club for seven years as required by the RI Bylaws. She is otherwise fully qualified to serve as governor-nominee.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 15.070., excuses Suzan Stenberg, a member of the Rotary Club of Åre, Sweden, from the qualifications for a governor-nominee set forth in RI Bylaws section 15.070.3.

12. Vacancy in the Office of Governor-elect, District 6150 (USA)

**Statement:** District 6150 has reported that Governor-elect Elizabeth Small is unable to perform the duties of office due to personal reasons. Governor Tim Bruner recommended Governor-nominee Paul R. Ford, a member of the Rotary Club of Searcy, AR, USA, be appointed as acting governor-elect. Director Lunsford concurred with this recommendation and Rotarian Ford has indicated that he is willing to perform this duty.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with the provisions of RI Bylaws sections 6.120.2. and 13.070., appoints Rotarian Paul R. Ford of the Rotary Club of Searcy, Arkansas, USA, to serve as governor-elect of District 6150, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

13. Disposition of Ballots Relating to the Election of Members on the 2014–15 Nominating Committee for RI President

**Statement:** In accordance with RI Bylaws section 11.030.3. ballots-by-mail were conducted in 2013–14 for the election of a member from Zones 16, 18, 26, 30, 32, and 34 to serve on the 2014–15 Nominating Committee for RI President.

As provided in the in the RI Bylaws, a balloting committee was appointed by the president to examine and count the ballots. The committee met on 8 July 2014 and counted those ballots returned by the 30 June deadline, tabulated the results, and submitted a report to the general secretary in accordance with the prescribed procedure. The committee recommended that the general secretary keep all ballots until 31 August 2014. If no formal objection is filed with the secretary by this date, the ballots may be destroyed.

**DECISION:** The Board, the president acting on its behalf agrees that

1. the general secretary should hold all ballots received from clubs in Zones 16, 18, 26, 30, 32, and 34 for the election of a member of the 2014–15 Nominating Committee for President in 2016–17;

2. the president may determine the procedure to be followed in the event that a formal objection concerning the results or reporting of the balloting is filed by a club in one of the above zones;

3. if no formal objection is filed with the general secretary by 31 August 2014, the general secretary is authorized to destroy the ballots.
APPENDIX B

RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE GENERAL SECRETARY
(Decision 28)

Statement: The general secretary reported that, in accordance with instruction and authorization from the Board, he had made the following decisions on behalf of the Board during the period 5 April 2014 through 5 September 2014.

1. Admission of Clubs

Statement: Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, 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
Utsunomiya Satsuki, Tochigi, Japan

Zone 2
Rotary E-club of Aichi, Japan
Rotary E-club of Pago Bay, Guam
Rotary E-club of Tokyo Peace Wing, Japan
Sagamihara Hashimoto, Kanagawa, Japan
Tokyo Daikanyama, Tokyo, Japan
Tokyo Tama Seiseki, Tokyo, Japan (Satellite club)

Zone 3
Kumatori Himawari, Osaka, Japan
Rotary E-club of 2730 Japan Current, Japan
Rotary E-club of Hyogo, Japan
Yamato Mahoroba, Nara, Japan

Zone 4 (continued)
Dondaicha Sunrise, Maharashtra, India
E-Club of Jaipur Malviya Nagar, Rajasthan, India
E-Club of Jaipur Vibgyor, Rajasthan, India
E-Club of Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
E-Club of Poona Youth, Maharashtra, India
E-Club of Thane Digitalcity, Maharashtra, India
Ganj Basande Grande, Madhya Pradesh, India
Green City Pune, Maharashtra, India
Hindoun City, Rajasthan, India
Indore Galaxy, Madhya Pradesh, India
Jaipur Shivaj, Rajasthan, India
Jejuri, Maharashtra, India
Kalyan Diamonds, Maharashtra, India
Kundli Royals, Haryana, India
Kundli, Haryana, India
Kurawar, Madhya Pradesh, India
Malegaon Peace City, Maharashtra, India
Malegaon Peace City, Maharashtra, India
Mumbai Cybercity, Maharashtra, India
Mumbai Metro, Maharashtra, India
Nagpur Black Gold, Maharashtra, India
Nagpur Tiger Capital, Maharashtra, India
Navi Mumbai Garima, Maharashtra, India
Neemuch Diamond, Madhya Pradesh, India
Pawandham, Rajasthan, India
Pune Cosmopolitan, Maharashtra, India
Pune County, Maharashtra, India
Pune Elite, Maharashtra, India
Pune Sahyadri, Maharashtra, India
Pune Vishrantwadi, Maharashtra, India
Purandar, Maharashtra, India
Ringas, Rajasthan, India
Sagar Grande, Madhya Pradesh, India
Sangaria, Rajasthan, India
Satana Devmamaleder, Maharashtra, India
Shahera, Gujarat, India
Sonpet, Maharashtra, India
Thane Premium, Maharashtra, India
Uruli Kanchan, Maharashtra, India

Zone 5
Alleppey Central, Kerala, India
Aluvihara, Central Province, Sri Lanka
Angamaly Greater, Kerala, India
Anur, Tamil Nadu, India
Arni Presidency, Tamil Nadu, India
Aroor Templecity Tiruvur, Tamil Nadu, India
Bangalore Nandini, Karnataka, India
Bangalore Spandana, Karnataka, India
Bhimavaram Central, Andhra Pradesh, India
Bidar Queens, Karnataka, India
Zone 5 (continued)
Calicut Cyber City, Kerala, India
Chatrapatti Bandage City, Tamil Nadu, India
Chennai Chola, Tamil Nadu, India
Chennai Spotlight, Tamil Nadu, India
Cheyur, Tamil Nadu, India
Chunnakam, Northern Prov., Sri Lanka
Cuddalore Coastal City, Tamil Nadu, India
Gudimangalam, Tamil Nadu, India
Kampli, Karnataka, India
Kandy Regency, Central Prov., Sri Lanka
Karaikudi Wonders, Tamil Nadu, India
Kombai Western Ghats, Tamil Nadu, India
Kulanada, Kerala, India
Madurai Sangamam, Tamil Nadu, India
Madurai Star, Tamil Nadu, India
Mahiyanganaya, Uva Province, Sri Lanka
Marthandam Queens, Tamil Nadu, India
Mayiladuthurai, Tamil Nadu, India
Miyapur, Telangana, India
Mukkam, Kerala, India
Nagercoil Queens, Tamil Nadu, India
Quilon Heritage, Kerala, India
River Cauvery Musiri, Tamil Nadu, India
Seethawakapura, Sabaragamuwa Province, Sri Lanka
Tiruchirapalli Elite, Tamil Nadu, India
Tiruchirapalli Pinnacle, Tamil Nadu, India
Trichirappalli Royal, Tamil Nadu, India
Vaibhav Malavalli, Karnataka, India

Zone 6
Aabartan Dhaka, Bangladesh
Aanandadhara Dhaka, Bangladesh
Abhayangan, Bangladesh
Adhunik Dhaka, Bangladesh
Alokito Dhaka, Bangladesh
Amenity Bardhaman, West Bengal, India
Aroma Dhaka, Bangladesh
Balod, Chhattisgarh, India
Bang Pa-In, Ayutthaya, Thailand
Berhampur Bhanjaveer, Orissa, India
Berhampur Old Town, Orissa, India
Berhampur Tejaswini, Orissa, India
Bhadagaon, Nepal
Bhadrapur, Nepal
Bhubaneswar Meadows, Odisha, India
Birtamode Mid-Town, Nepal
Bokaro Midtown Couples, Jharkhand, India
Bolpur Rangamati, West Bengal, India
Calcutta Samaritans, West Bengal, India
Chittagong Lake View, Bangladesh
Chittagong Uptown, Bangladesh
Dhaka Grand, Bangladesh
Dhaka Prime, Bangladesh
Dhaka Radiant, Bangladesh
Dhaka Sadar, Bangladesh
E-Club of Dolphin Pattaya International, Thailand
E-Club of One of D-3271
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Gopalpur-On-Sea, Odisha, India
Greater Chittagong, Bangladesh
Gujrat Kathala, Punjab, Pakistan
Hossaini Dalan Dhaka, Bangladesh
Islamabad Capital Hill, Capital Territory, Pakistan
Jamshedpur Femina, Jharkhand, India
Janjigir-Champa, Chhattisgarh, India
Jhang City, Punjab, Pakistan
Jhang North, Punjab, Pakistan
Kaligonj, Bangladesh
Kalinga Nagar, Odisha, India
Kharsia City, Chhattisgarh, India
Khulna City, Bangladesh
Khulna Mahanagar, Bangladesh
Khulna Pioneer, Bangladesh
Kolkata Pearls, West Bengal, India
Kolkata South End, West Bengal, India
Lahore Bahria Town, Punjab, Pakistan
Lahore Fort, Punjab, Pakistan
Lahore Fortress, Punjab, Pakistan
Lahore Gardens, Punjab, Pakistan
Lahore Ravi, Punjab, Pakistan
Lahore Samanabad, Punjab, Pakistan
Lahore Shadman, Punjab, Pakistan
Lahore Shama, Punjab, Pakistan
Magura, Bangladesh
Mukto Swadesh Dhaka, Bangladesh
Nalbari, Assam, India
Nimapada, Odisha, India
Peshawar Mid City, KPK, Pakistan
Raipur Fem, Chhattisgarh, India
Rajshahi Holy City, Bangladesh
Rourkela Riverside, Odisha, India
Savar Central, Bangladesh
Siliguri Uttorayon, West Bengal, India
Songkhla Nawamindra, Thailand
Subarnapur, Odisha, India
Sylhet Hill Town, Bangladesh
Sylhet Pride, Bangladesh
Sylhet United, Bangladesh
Thereua Trat, Thailand
Thonglo-Ekkamai, Bangkok, Thailand
Ujhani Classic, Uttar Pradesh, India
Yangon, Myanmar

Zone 7
Angeles Skytown, Pampanga, Philippines
Anging Mamiri, South Sulawesi, Indonesia
Auckland South, Auckland, New Zealand
Candelaria, Quezon, Philippines
Central Jasaan, Misamis Oriental, Philippines
Constitution Hill - Bagong Sandigan, Quezon City, Philippines
Jakarta Kemayoran, Indonesia
Jakarta Lenteng Agung, Indonesia
Jakarta Pantai Indah Kapuk, Indonesia
Kupang Timor Raya, Indonesia
### Zone 7 (continued)
- Laoag Sunshine, Ilocos Norte, Philippines
- Makati Magilas, Metro Manila, Philippines
- Manila Bonifacio Drive, Manila, Philippines
- Metro Binan, Laguna, Philippines
- Metro Mlang, North Cotabato, Philippines
- Papua Abeura, Indonesia
- Pasay City Coral Way, Metro Manila, Philippines
- Pasay Metro Sunrise, Pasay City, Philippines
- Pasay Sinagtala, Metro Manila, Philippines
- Quezon City Royale, Quezon City, Philippines
- Quiapo Plaza Miranda, Metro Manila, Philippines
- Sablayan Metro, Occidental Mindoro, Philippines
- San Juan Neopolitan, San Juan City, Philippines
- Silangan Angono, Rizal, Philippines
- Tangerang Selatan, Indonesia
- Whakatane Sunrise, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand

### Zone 8
- Buka, Bougainville, Papua New Guinea
- E-club of NRG, Queensland, Australia
- Eumundi, Queensland, Australia
- Kimbe, Papua New Guinea
- Nondugl, Papua New Guinea
- Vinegar Hill, N.S.W., Australia

### Zone 9
- Anseong Hope, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of
- Asan Sungyung, Chungcheongnam, Korea, Republic of
- Cheongju Garosu, Chungcheongbuk, Korea, Republic of
- Daejeon Chungsoo, Daejeon, Korea, Republic of
- Daejeon Eunhaeng, Daejeon, Korea, Republic of
- Daejeon Saeyeoul, Daejeon, Korea, Republic of
- Goesan Dongjin, Chungcheongbuk, Korea, Republic of
- Hwaseong Ladies, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of
- Incheon Sinsegae, Incheon, Korea, Republic of
- Pocheon Bonguri, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of
- Pohang-Geumhyang, Gyeongsangbuk, Korea, Republic of
- Rotary E-Club of Daegu Dong, Daegu, Korea, Republic of
- Rotary E-Club of Daejeon Saehankook, Daejeon, Korea, Republic of
- Rotary E-Club of Jisan, Chungcheongnam, Korea, Republic of
- Rotary E-Club of Sae East Seoul, Seoul, Korea, Republic of
- Rotary E-Club of Seoul Hannam, Seoul, Korea, Republic of
- Seoul Communication, Seoul, Korea, Republic of
- Seoul Sae Nowon, Seoul, Korea, Republic of
- Seoul Sheldon, Seoul, Korea, Republic of
- Seoul Soccer, Seoul, Korea, Republic of
- Yangpyeong Best, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of
- Yongin Poeun, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of

### Zone 10
- Aberdeen, Hong Kong
- Changwon-Pyeongsan, Gyeongsangnam, Korea, Republic of
- Chengdu, People's Republic of China

### Zone 10 (continued)
- E-Club of Chungli Janenan, Taiwan
- E-Club of Grand Taichung, Taiwan
- E-Club of Miaoli Happy, Taiwan
- E-Club of Pa-Te Hsu-Té, Taiwan
- E-Club of Taipei Gathering Heart, Taiwan
- E-Club of Taipei Young-Ming, Taiwan
- E-Club of Taoyuan Hot Line, Taiwan
- Formosa Happiness, New Taipei City, Taiwan
- Hsinchu Shan-Yu, Taiwan
- Hsinchu Shibo, Taiwan
- Jeju Hanranhoe, Jeju, Korea, Republic of
- Jinju Dream, Gyeongsangnam, Korea, Republic of
- Kaohsiung Excellence, Taiwan
- New Central Taipei, Taiwan
- Pa-Te Mei-Ming, Taiwan
- Pa-Te Yu-Té, Taiwan
- Pingtung Peace, Taiwan
- Rotary E-Club of Busan Mokryeon, Busan, Korea, Republic of
- Rotary E-Club of District 3720, Gyeongsangnam, Korea, Republic of
- Rotary E-Club of Jeju Nanum, Jeju, Korea, Republic of
- Sanhsia Beida Elite, Taiwan
- Taichung Huimin, Taiwan
- Taichung Taihsing, Taiwan
- Taipei Anlien, Taipei, Taiwan
- Taipei Constant, Taiwan
- Taipei Eurasia, Taiwan
- Taipei Excel, Taiwan
- Taipei Hen Yang, Taiwan
- Taipei Joyful East, Taiwan
- Taipei Pegasus, Taiwan
- Taipei Rising Sun, Taiwan
- Taipei Tongsin, Taiwan
- Taipei Wellness, Taiwan
- Taipei YuanSin, Taiwan
- Taoyuan Fu-Fong, Taiwan
- Ulsan Hakseong, Ulsan, Korea, Republic of
- Yeonggwang Dongbaek, Jeonnam, Korea, Republic of

### Zone 11
- Aix en Provence - Eguilles, Bouches-du-Rhône, France
- Aix en Provence Connection, Bouches-du-Rhône, France
- Chartres Henri IV, Eure-et-Loir, France
- Eyguières Aupiho, Bouches-du-Rhône, France
- Marseille Odyssee, Bouches-du-Rhône, France
- Marseille Pharo, B.-du-Rh., France
- Nîmes Carré d’Art, Gard, France
- Orléans Reflets de Loire, Loiret, France
- Paris Montmartre, France
- Paris-Foch, Est, France
- Périgueux Est, Dordogne, France
- Thionville Grande Région, Moselle, France
- Tournefeuille, Haute-Garonne, France
- Uzès Pays d’Uzès, Gard, France

### Zone 12
- Distretto 2072, Italy
Zone 12 (continued)
Esperanto, Italy
Francavilla al Mare, Italy
Gjirokaster, Albania
Mantova Est Nuvolari, Italy
Novara San Gaudenzio, Italy
Orléans Reflets de Loire, Loiret, France
Pavia Est Terre Viscontee, Italy
Pogradec, Albania

Zone 13
Amsterdam - RIO aan de Amstel, Netherlands
Beja Cidade, Portugal
Bern Kirchenfeld, Switzerland
Getxo, Spain
Palma Catedral, Spain
Ponferrada Bierzo, Spain
Rotary E-club del Mediterráneo 2203, Spain
San Lorenzo de El Escorial, Spain
Teruel, Spain

Zone 14
Göttingen-Sternwarte, Germany
Hochheim-Flörsheim Oberer Rheingau, Germany
Ueckermünde-Heide, Germany

Zone 16
Anyksčiai, Lithuania
Kraków Zamek Niepołomice, Poland
Mažeikių Liberta, Lithuania

Zone 17
Weighton Wolds, E. Yorks., England

Zone 18
Dorchester Poundbury, Dorchester, England
E-Club of East Anglia, East Anglia, England
Luxembourg-Hearts, Luxembourg

Zone 19
Bavaria International, Germany
Campia Turzii, Romania
Garching-Ismaning, Germany
Kfar Yassif, Israel
Szeged Dom, Hungary
Zagreb Agram, Croatia
Zagreb Maksimir, Croatia

Zone 20 (continued)
Alger les Jasmis, Algeria
Anthony Metropolitan, Lagos State, Nigeria
Awka Central, Anambra State, Nigeria
Badagry Metropolitan, Lagos State, Nigeria
Beirut Hills, Lebanon
Cairo El Rehab, Egypt
Cairo Heights, Egypt
Casablanca Marina, Morocco
District 2440, Turkey
Dubai Deira, United Arab Emirates
Essaouira-Saint Germain, Tunisia
Farafangana-Agnambahy, Madagascar
Freetown-Sunset, Sierra Leone
Gbarnga, Liberia
Giza Al-Seid, Egypt
Haute Rive, Mauritius
Ilorin GRA, Kwara State, Nigeria
Kampala Munyonyo, Uganda
Kisumu Kit Mikayi, Kenya
Kumba City, Cameroon
Lamia-Thermopiles, Greece
Lubowa, Uganda
Marrakech Majorelle, Morocco
Morondava Baobab, Madagascar
Musoma, Tanzania
Nairobi Lavington, Kenya
Novi Sad-Alma Mons, Rep. of Serbia
Pointe-Noire Ndjindji, Congo
Port Harcourt Airfield, Rivers State, Nigeria
Rabat-Excellence, Morocco
Safranbolu, Turkey
Sofia-Vazrazhdane, Bulgaria
Taroudant, Morocco
Tyre Europa, Lebanon
Yaoundé Sapelli, Cameroon
Yasmine Hammamet, Tunisia

Zone 21
Amatitlán, Jalisco, Mexico
Araure, Portuguesa, Venezuela
Brazos River, Fulshear, Texas, USA
Intibucá La Esperanza, Intibucá, Honduras
Llanos de Apan, Hidalgo, Mexico
Los Altos de Quetzaltenango, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala
Mérida Norte, Yucatán, Mexico
Naguanagua, Carabobo, Venezuela
Playa Coronado, Distrito de Chame, Panamá
Puebla Emprende, Puebla, Mexico
Puerto Peñasco Mar de Cortez, Sonora, Mexico
San Juan de Murcielago Tibás, San José, Costa Rica
Santa Fe Ciudad de Mexico, DF, Mexico
Tepatitlan Solidarios, Jalisco, Mexico
Tijuana Kumiai, BC, Mexico
Timana, Huila, Colombia

Zone 22
Acórizal, Mato Grosso, Brazil
Alcobaça, Bahia, Brazil
Zone 22 (continued)
Amarante, Piauí, Brazil
Aragarças
- Araguaia, Goiás, Brazil
Delfinópolis, Minas Gerais, Brazil
Eusébio, Ceará, Brazil
Jauru, Mato Grosso, Brazil
João Pessoa-Mangabeira, Paraíba, Brazil
Lagoa Seca, Paraíba, Brazil
Malta, Paraíba, Brazil
Nova Ipixuna, Pará, Brazil
Perdizes-Interação, Minas Gerais, Brazil
Pontalina, Goiás, Brazil
Porto Esperidião, Mato Grosso, Brazil
Santa Cruz do Capibaribe, Pernambuco, Brazil
São João Batista do Glória, Minas Gerais, Brazil
São Sebastião do Paraíso-Paraiso dos Ipês, Minas Gerais, Brazil
Serra Branca-Cariri, Paraíba, Brazil
Vieçosa-Cidade Universitária, Minas Gerais, Brazil

Zone 23
Antônio Prado, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil
Araquari, Santa Catarina, Brazil
Asunción Norte, Central, Paraguay
Barbosa Ferraz-Celeiro do Paraná, Parana, Brazil
Blumenau-Flores do Ipê, Santa Catarina, Brazil
Bocaiúva do Sul, Parana, Brazil
Campo Mourão-Raio de Luz, Parana, Brazil
Chapecó-Integração, Santa Catarina, Brazil
Curitiba-Brilhante, Parana, Brazil
E-Club do Distrito 4540, Brazil
E-Club do Distrito 4660-Brasil Sul, Brazil
Flórida-Lobato, Parana, Brazil
Formosa-Gobernador Florencio Gandini, Form., Argentina
Gurupi, Tocantins, Brazil
Juan XXIII de San Borja, Lima, Peru
Lacustre de Pucón, Cañín, Chile
Lages-Catedral, Santa Catarina, Brazil
Lascano M, Rocha, Uruguay
Loja Los Zarzas, Loja, Peru
Peabiru, Parana, Brazil
Plaza Matriz, Mont., Uruguay
Praia Grande-Boqueirão, São Paulo, Brazil
Puno Ciudad de Plata, Puno, Peru
Roldán, S.F., Argentina
Salete-Geração, Santa Catarina, Brazil
San Borja, Beni, Bolivia
San Estanislao, San Pedro, Paraguay
San Juan Retama, S.J., Argentina
San Nicolás de Bari, C.A.B.A., Argentina
San Pedro de Atacama, Atac., Chile
Sancti Spíritu, S.F., Argentina
Santa Cruz Uribó, S.C., Bolivia
Santo Ângelo-Custódio, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil
São Bernardo do Campo-Terra Nova, São Paulo, Brazil
São Gabriel-Carreteiros, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil
São Miguel Arcanjo, São Paulo, Brazil
Tamboara, Parana, Brazil

Zone 23 (continued)
Toledo-Pioneiro, Parana, Brazil
Tunuyán Manantiales, Mend., Argentina

Zone 24
E-Club of District 5010, Alaska-Yukon, Alaska, USA
Hudson and St Lazare, Quebec, Canada
St. Thomas Railway City, Ontario, Canada

Zone 25
San Rafael Evening, California, USA

Zone 26
Cathedral City Evening, California, USA
E-Club of District 5000, Hawaii, USA
Las Vegas Spring Mountains, Nevada, USA
Salinas Santa Lucía, California, USA

Zone 27
Cheyenne After Hours, Wyoming, USA
Platteville, Colorado, USA
Valley West, Utah, USA

Zone 28
Oak Lawn Healthcare, Illinois, USA

Zone 31
Fairview Heights, Illinois, USA

Zone 32
Claremont-Sugar River, New Hampshire, USA
E-Club of New England, Massachusetts, USA
North Brooklyn, New York, USA
Southern Queens, New York, USA

Zone 33
Alexandria West, Virginia, USA
Church Hill (Richmond), Virginia, USA
Huntersville Happy Hour, North Carolina, 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 club’s name.

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:

From
Alpharetta/North Fulton, Georgia, USA
Appin Park, Victoria, Australia
Santo Ângelo-Custódio, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil
São Bernardo do Campo-Terra Nova, São Paulo, Brazil
São Gabriel-Carreteiros, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil
São Miguel Arcanjo, São Paulo, Brazil
Tamboara, Parana, Brazil

To
Alpharetta, Georgia, USA
Appin Park Wangaratta, Victoria, Australia
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3. Amendment of Club Constitution – Change in Locality

Statement: Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, the general Secretary may approve requests from clubs to amend Article III 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:
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4. Extension of Deadline for District Governor Allocation Expense Report

Statement: Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, the general secretary in accordance with Rotary Code of Policies section 68.030.4. may 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 submitting a final expense report to Rotary International until 30 September 2014 for the following districts (all of the governors served in 2013–14):

<table>
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<tr>
<th>District</th>
<th>Governor’s Name</th>
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<tr>
<td>1580</td>
<td>Jan Lucas Ket</td>
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<tr>
<td>1590</td>
<td>Jan Leentvaar</td>
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<tr>
<td>1600</td>
<td>Onno Koerten</td>
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<tr>
<td>1610</td>
<td>S.A. Muller</td>
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<td>1710</td>
<td>Jean-Pierre Rouzet</td>
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<tr>
<td>1760</td>
<td>Frédéric Moline</td>
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<tr>
<td>1780</td>
<td>Maurice Bonaz</td>
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<tr>
<td>2032</td>
<td>Fabio Rossello</td>
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<tr>
<td>2080</td>
<td>Pier Giorgio Poddighe</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2201</td>
<td>Francisco Arcos Gabriel</td>
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<tr>
<td>2202</td>
<td>Manuel Herreros de las Cuevas</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2225</td>
<td>Evgeniy Terekhova</td>
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<tr>
<td>2240</td>
<td>Irena Brichta</td>
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<tr>
<td>2250</td>
<td>Tove Kayser</td>
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<td>2275</td>
<td>Hans Furfjord</td>
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<td>2310</td>
<td>Marianne Smith Magelie</td>
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<td>2350</td>
<td>Staffan Björklund</td>
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<td>2380</td>
<td>Anders Lindberg</td>
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<td>2440</td>
<td>Esat Kardicali</td>
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<td>2451</td>
<td>Yasser Assem</td>
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<tr>
<td>2452</td>
<td>Jamil Mouawad</td>
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<tr>
<td>2490</td>
<td>Shaul D’Angeli</td>
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<td>2560</td>
<td>Kensuke Yamazaki</td>
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<td>2570</td>
<td>Shinichiro Nakai</td>
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<td>2690</td>
<td>Shinichi Morimoto</td>
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<td>2750</td>
<td>Isako Funaki</td>
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<td>2780</td>
<td>Mitsuharu Aizawa</td>
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<td>2840</td>
<td>Hiroki Honda</td>
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<td>3000</td>
<td>Dr. Mohinder Malhotra</td>
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<td>3110</td>
<td>Ghim Bok Chew</td>
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<td>3350</td>
<td>Prawit Rojkajonnapalai</td>
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<td>3360</td>
<td>Suparie Chatkunyarat</td>
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<td>3410</td>
<td>Eva Kurniati</td>
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<td>3420</td>
<td>Imam Muddari</td>
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<td>3770</td>
<td>Benigno Emilio Ramirez</td>
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<td>3780</td>
<td>Francisco Rivera</td>
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<td>3810</td>
<td>Karen Tamayo</td>
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<td>3820</td>
<td>Danilo Ona</td>
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<td>3860</td>
<td>Edgar Chiongbian</td>
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<td>4110</td>
<td>Gilberto Aguilera</td>
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<tr>
<td>4170</td>
<td>César Alvarez</td>
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<td>4200</td>
<td>Julio César Castillo</td>
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<td>4355</td>
<td>Ronald Keith Gaymer</td>
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<td>4390</td>
<td>Carlos Lucena</td>
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<tr>
<td>4500</td>
<td>Alexandre de Andrade Inojosa</td>
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<tr>
<td>4720</td>
<td>João Roberto de Oliveira</td>
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<tr>
<td>4815</td>
<td>Ricardo Carbel</td>
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<tr>
<td>4835</td>
<td>Juan Jose Rodriguez</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5000</td>
<td>Phil Sammer</td>
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<tr>
<td>5010</td>
<td>Peggy Pollen</td>
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</table>
5. Extension of Time Limit for the Selection of District Governor

Statement: Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, the general secretary in accordance Rotary Code of Policies section 31.030.3. 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 it will comply with RI Bylaws section 13.010. 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:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>District</th>
<th>Governor’s Name</th>
<th>Zone</th>
<th>Rotary Year Serving</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>5470</td>
<td>Maxie Houser</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>2016-17</td>
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<tr>
<td>1580</td>
<td>Diann Kirby</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>2016-17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1590</td>
<td>Annaas Balt</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>2016-17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1610</td>
<td>Robert Smith</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>2016-17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2390</td>
<td>Raymond C. Lyda</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>2016-17</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2492</td>
<td>Barry Kroll</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>2016-17</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

6. Incorporation of Rotary Clubs

Statement: Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, 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:

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<tr>
<th>Club Name</th>
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<tr>
<td>Appin Park, Victoria, Australia</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ascot, Western Australia, Australia</td>
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<tr>
<td>Auvelais Basse Sambre, Belgium</td>
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<tr>
<td>Beaufort, Victoria, Australia</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cathedral City Evening, California, USA</td>
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<tr>
<td>Deloraine, Tasmania, Australia</td>
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<td>Derwent Valley, Tasmania, Australia</td>
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<tr>
<td>E-club of NRG, Queensland, Australia</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hamilton North, Victoria, Australia</td>
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<tr>
<td>Howrah, Tasmania, Australia</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ivanhoe, Victoria, Australia</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
7. Incorporation of Rotary Club Activity of Fund

Statement: Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, the general secretary may authorize Rotary clubs to use the name “Rotary” in incorporating club service or charitable foundation in accordance with the Rotary Code of Policies section 33.020.3.

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

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Clubs</th>
<th>New Club</th>
<th>New Charter Date</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Tokyo Fussa, Tokyo, Japan and Tokyo Fussa Chuo, Tokyo, Japan</td>
<td>Tokyo Fussa, Tokyo, Japan</td>
<td>05 Feb. 1969</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tokyo Konan, Tokyo, Japan and Tokyo Marine, Tokyo, Japan</td>
<td>Tokyo Konan Marine, Tokyo, Japan</td>
<td>07 June 1973</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Forster on Wallis, and Forster Old Bar Beach, N.S.W., Australia</td>
<td>Forster Old Bar Beach, N.S.W., Australia</td>
<td>21 Nov. 2013</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Waitaki, New Zealand and Oamaru, New Zealand</td>
<td>Oamaru, New Zealand</td>
<td>12 May 1925</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gangwha, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of and Sae-Gangwha, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of</td>
<td>Incheon, Korea, Republic of</td>
<td>19 Aug. 1991</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Namyangju-Maehwa, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of and Namyangju Wabu, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of</td>
<td>Namyangju-Maehwa, Gyeonggi, Korea, Republic of</td>
<td>15 May 2002</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pusan-Sooyoung, Pusan, Korea, Republic of and Busan Hwamyeong, Busan, Korea, Republic of</td>
<td>Busan Hwamyeong, Busan, Korea, Republic of</td>
<td>11 Jan. 1996</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pusan-West, Pusan, Korea, Republic of and Busan-Hang, Busan, Korea, Republic of</td>
<td>Pusan-West, Pusan, Korea, Republic of</td>
<td>30 Jan. 1969</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Créteil-Est de Paris, Val-de-Marne, France and Boissy Saint Léger Sacy en Brie &quot;Coteaux Briards&quot;, Val-de-Marne, France</td>
<td>Maisons Alfort-Est de Paris-Créteil-Coteaux Briards, Val-de-Marne, France</td>
<td>29 June 1969</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

8. Incorporation of Rotary District

Statement: Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, 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 District 2170 (Belgium) under the proposed articles of incorporation as submitted by the district.

9. 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.
10. Reinstatement of Membership in Rotary International

Statement: Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, the general secretary may reinstate the membership of a club that was terminated for non-payment of financial obligations to RI, if such obligations have been met.
**DECISION:** In accordance with Rotary Code of Policies section 31.030.05. and in view of the fact that the clubs listed below have met the conditions of that policy, the Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, reinstates the following Rotary clubs.

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11. **Resignation of Membership in Rotary International**

**Statement:** Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, the general secretary may cancel a club’s charter upon governor’s recommendation 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 their charters null and void:

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12. Termination of Membership in RI – Disbanded

Statement: Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, 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, terminates the membership in RI of the following Rotary clubs:

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<td>18 Apr. 1923</td>
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<td>Castleford, West Yorkshire, England</td>
<td>5 Feb. 1924</td>
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<td>31 Aug. 1959</td>
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<td>1090</td>
<td>Caversham, Berkshire, England</td>
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<td>Maimón, Monseñor Nouel, Dominican Republic</td>
<td>21 June 2011</td>
<td>30 June 2014</td>
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<td>4271</td>
<td>Aguachica Buturama, César, Colombia</td>
<td>1 May 2007</td>
<td>7 July 2014</td>
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<td>Churuguara, Falcón, Venezuela</td>
<td>16 June 1994</td>
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<td>4420</td>
<td>Santos-José Bonifácio, São Paulo, Brazil</td>
<td>18 May 2006</td>
<td>31 July 2014</td>
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<td>6080</td>
<td>Pettis County, Missouri, USA</td>
<td>21 June 2001</td>
<td>20 May 2014</td>
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<td>6150</td>
<td>Trumann, Arizona, USA</td>
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<td>South Gateway-South Bend, Indiana, USA</td>
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<td>3 May 1968</td>
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<td>Ashburnham/Westminster, Massachusetts, USA</td>
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### 13. Termination of Membership in RI – Failure to Function

**Statement:** Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, 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 3.030.2., terminates the membership in RI of the following Rotary clubs:

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<td>Southall, Middlesex, England</td>
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<td>Grenoble-Grésivaudan, Isère, France</td>
<td>19 Feb 2008</td>
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<td>2220</td>
<td>Moscow-Pokrovka, Russian Federation</td>
<td>15 Sep. 2009</td>
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<td>Yaroslavl, Russian Federation</td>
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<td>Pedregal Xitle, D.F., Mexico</td>
<td>6 June 1988</td>
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<td>9370</td>
<td>Durban Kingsmead, South Africa</td>
<td>28 Oct. 2011</td>
<td>30 June 2014</td>
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<td>9370</td>
<td>Despatch, South Africa</td>
<td>18 Jun 2012</td>
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<td>9370</td>
<td>Kwa Mashu, South Africa</td>
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**Statement:** Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, the general secretary may authorize a governor to hold a ballot-by-mail instead of convening a nominating committee to select the representative and alternate representative to serve on the 2016 Council of Legislation.

**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, authorizes Districts 5050 (Canada) and 7230 (Bermuda; USA) to conduct a ballot-by-mail to select
their representative (and alternate) to serve on the 2016 Council on Legislation.

15. Modification of District Boundaries – Transfer of Clubs

Statement: Due to local administration changes, the municipality of Novafeltria, and part of the region Montefeltro, are now belonging to the province of Rimini. As the province of Rimini is part of the new District 2072, the Rotary Club of Novafeltria-Alto Montefeltro requested the transfer from District 2090 to District 2072. As a result of this transfer, the new boundary descriptions for the two districts are:

District 2090
ITALY—That portion including the provinces of Pesaro e Urbino, Ancona, Perugia, Terni, Macerata, Ascoli Piceno, Teramo, L’Aquila, Pescara, Chieti, Campobasso, Isernia and Fermo.

District 2072
ITALY—EMILIA ROMAGNA (Provinces of: Bologna, Ferrara, Forlì Cesena, Modena, Parma, Ravenna, Reggio Emilia, Rimini) and the REPUBBLICA DI SAN MARINO.

DECISION: The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf in accordance Rotary Code of Policies section 17.010.4., approves the transfer of the Rotary Club of Novafeltria-Alto Montefeltro, Italy from District 2090 to District 2072, effective 1 July 2014.

16. Excusing Club Indebtedness

Statement: Under the terms of the Board’s delegation of authority, the general secretary may, in duly justified cases, excuse clubs from payment of all indebtedness to RI when, in the general secretary’s judgment, the recommendation of the governor and other circumstances in the case, warrant such action.

DECISION: The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with Rotary Code Policies section 31.030.4. excuses the following Rotary clubs from their indebtedness to RI:

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17. Request to Join Rotaract Multidistrict Information Organization—Districts 9630 and 9780 to join Rotaract Australia MDIO

Statement: In accordance with the policy established by the Board with respect to multidistrict activities, the governors and Rotaract representative of Districts 9630 and 9780 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 9630 and 9780 to participate in the Rotaract Australia Multidistrict Information Organization Representing Districts 9455, 9465, 9500, 9520, 9550, 9630, 9640, 9670, 9675, 9685, 9690, 9710, 9750, 9780, 9790, 9800, 9810, 9820, and 9830, subject to the activities being organized and conducted in accordance with RI policy.

18. Request to Join Rotaract Multidistrict Information Organization—District 1520 to join Rotaract France MDIO

Statement: In accordance with the policy established by the Board with respect to multidistrict activities, the governor and Rotaract representative of District 1520 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 1520 to participate in the Rotaract France Multidistrict Information Organization Representing Districts 1510, 1520, 1640, 1650, 1660, 1670, 1680, 1690, 1700, 1710, 1720, 1730, 1740, 1750, 1760, 1770, 1780, 1790, subject to the activities being organized and conducted in accordance with RI policy.
19. Request to Join Rotaract Multidistrict Information Organization—Districts 2090 and 2110 to join Rotaract Mediterranean MDIO

Statement: In accordance with the policy established by the Board with respect to multidistrict activities, the governors and Rotaract representative of Districts 2090 and 2110 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 3030, 3070, 3281, and 3292 to participate in the South East Asia Rotaract Information Center (SEARIC) Multidistrict Information Organization Representing Districts 3030, 3070, 3281, 3291, and 3292, subject to the activities being organized and conducted in accordance with RI policy.

20. Request to Join Rotaract Multidistrict Information Organization—Districts 3030, 3051, 3070, 3110, and 3261 to join Rotaract South Asia MDIO

Statement: In accordance with the policy established by the Board with respect to multidistrict activities, the governors and Rotaract representative of Districts 3030, 3051, 3070, 3110, and 3261 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 3030, 3051, 3070, 3110, and 3261 to participate in the Rotaract Multidistrict Information Organization Representing Districts 1700, 1730, 1760, 1912, 2090, 2100, 2110, 2202, 2203, 2483, 2450, and 9010, subject to the activities being organized and conducted in accordance with RI policy.

22. Request to Continue Membership in the Multidistrict Youth Exchange—District 1461

Statement: In accordance with Rotary Code of Policies sections 31.090.12. and 41.060.21., the governor for new District 1461 requested the Board’s approval to continue membership in multidistrict Youth Exchange activities.

DECISION: The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with Rotary Code of Policies section 31.090.12., authorizes the governor and clubs in new District 1461 to continue participation in the activities with the Denmark Multidistrict Youth Exchange program.

23. Request to Continue Membership in the Multidistrict Youth Exchange—District 2071

Statement: In accordance with Rotary Code of Policies sections 31.090.12. and 41.060.21., the governor for new District 2071 requested the Board’s approval to continue membership in multidistrict Youth Exchange activities.

DECISION: The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with Rotary Code of Policies section 31.090.12., authorizes the governor and clubs in new District 1461 to continue participation in the activities with the Italian Multidistrict Youth Exchange multidistrict program.

24. Terminations for Non-Payment of Per Capita Dues and Other Financial Obligations

Statement: Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may terminate the charters of a Rotary club that has failed to meet its financial obligation to RI.
**DECISION:** The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf terminates as of 1 July 2014 the membership in RI of the following Rotary clubs for non-payment of per capita dues and other financial obligations and declares the charter issued to these clubs to be null and void.

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25. Termination of Membership in RI – Failure to Follow Election Review Procedure

Statement: The election for Council on Legislation representative for District 3291 was held on 12 January 2014. PDG Rajendra Khandelwal was declared the winner.

The Rotary Club of Calcutta South City timely sought review on grounds of alleged irregularities in the election, in accordance with RI Bylaws. The Zone Election Complaint Panel unanimously found that there was no cause for action to set aside the election results. The Rotary Club of Calcutta South City did not timely file an appeal of the Zone Election Complaint Panel’s decision.

Subsequently, the Rotary Club of Narendrapur filed a lawsuit challenging the election results. The court entered an injunction order on 30 June 2014 directing RI to refrain from giving effect to the election results. RI has followed the court’s injunction order.

On 16 July 2014, the general secretary requested the Rotary Club of Narendrapur to withdraw all litigation filed by it because it did not exhaust RI’s internal election review procedures that were available to it under the Bylaws, failing which the Board would terminate the club. The club did not withdraw the litigation. On 14 August 2014, the general secretary informed the club that it was terminated in accordance with section 3.030.2. of the RI Bylaws.

In September, the club filed a criminal contempt petition against RI Director Prabhakar and the general secretary alleging that the termination of the Rotary Club of Narendrapur contravened the court’s injunction order dated 30 June 2014. On 15 September 2014, the Honorable High Court hearing the contempt petition asked whether Rotary International would withdraw the letter dated 16 July 2014 and allow the club to make a representation to the Board and the opportunity for a personal hearing. Thus, the Board is requested to ratify the action of the general secretary taken on behalf of the Board terminating the Rotary Club of Narendrapur.

DECISION: The Board ratifies the general secretary’s action, taken on behalf of the Board in accordance with RI Bylaws section 3.030.2., terminating the membership in RI of the Rotary Club of Narendrapur.
APPENDIX C

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

(Decision 34)

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 16-

To acknowledge the centennial anniversary of The Rotary Foundation

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows:

WHEREAS, The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International was initiated at the Atlanta convention on 18 June 1917 when RI President Arch C. Klumph proposed the establishment of an endowment “for the purpose of doing good in the world,” and

WHEREAS, the endowment fund was renamed The Rotary Foundation at the Minneapolis convention in 1928, and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International, and

WHEREAS, since the first donation of US$26.50 by the Rotary Club Kansas City, Missouri, USA in 1917, the Foundation has received contributions totaling more than US$1 billion, and

WHEREAS, the Foundation has touched the lives of millions of people around the world through polio eradication, humanitarian grants, international scholarships and fellowships, group study exchange teams, Rotary peace centers, and other programs,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the 2016 Council on Legislation that Rotary International and its member clubs should celebrate and commemorate the 100th anniversary of The Rotary Foundation in 2016-17 and should encourage all Rotarians to mark the centennial anniversary by participating in the Foundation programs and supporting the Foundation in their charitable giving.

(End of Text)
APPENDIX D

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR
THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PARTNERSHIPS
(Decision 34)

The Joint Committee on Partnerships shall comprise seven to nine members, including two one trustees, two one directors, two past or current trustees or directors, and five non-trustees/directors experts individuals who have not served as either trustee or director. The current and past directors and trustees will be appointed for one-year terms and the five other members will be appointed for three-year, staggered terms.

Appointment of all the new members, including the chair, and the vice chair of the committee, will be made jointly by the trustee chair and the RI president for the year in which the committee will function. Members may be reappointed.

The five members to serve on the committee, who are not current or past directors or trustees, shall have the following attributes:

1) Demonstrated interest in Rotary;
2) Extensive knowledge of international development issues;
3) Experience in developing and working with partner organizations;
4) Ability to network and to identify and cultivate significant partners for Rotary;
5) Willingness to commit time and effort to Rotary, including participation in committee meetings.

The Joint Committee on Partnerships should meet at least twice during 2015-16 at times selected jointly by the trustee chair and the RI president.
APPENDIX F

TIMELINE AND PROCESS FOR OPERATIONS REVIEW COMMITTEE ACTING AS COMPENSATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(Decision 43)

Meeting One (August/September):
- Review and approve sources of compensation comparability data to be used for the disqualified persons analysis conducted at Meeting Two
- Every third year, conduct a thorough review of Rotary’s employee compensation strategy and forward to the Executive Committee for approval
- In intervening years, confirm the existing employee compensation strategy

Following Meeting One, the chair of the Operations Review Committee (or his or her designate) will report the committee’s recommendations with respect to compensation strategy and sources of compensation comparability data to the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

Meeting Two (March/April):
- Receive and review report on compensation comparability data for the general secretary and general managers
- Receive and review report on compensation comparability data for the president and president-elect
- Review pay ranges recommended by the general secretary for all general managers prior to Executive Committee approval
- Confirm reasonableness of compensation proposed to be paid in the coming year to Rotary’s disqualified persons and document any exceptions
- Assemble a summary report of compensation paid to all staff

Following Meeting Two, the chair of the Operations Review Committee (or his or her designate) will report the committee’s recommendations with respect to the pay ranges recommended by the general secretary for the general managers and the reasonableness of compensation proposed to be paid to Rotary’s disqualified persons, and will present the summary report of compensation paid to all staff, to the next meeting of the Executive Committee.
APPENDIX G

2016 COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION PROPOSALS BY THE RI BOARD
(Decision 56)

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To revise the publication requirement for legislation

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

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

**Article 7 Legislative Procedure**

7.050. Board Examination of Proposed Legislation.

7.050.5. **Publication of Proposed Legislation.**

The general secretary shall mail ten (10) copies of all duly proposed legislation together with the proposer’s statement of purpose and effect, as reviewed and approved by the constitution and bylaws committee, to each governor, one copy to all members of the council on legislation and all past directors, and one copy to the secretary of any club that requests it, no later than 30 September in the year the council shall be convened. The proposed legislation also will be made available via Rotary’s website.

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PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To define the term of office for Council on Legislation representatives

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

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

in article 5 (page 136 MOP)

**Article 5 Board of Directors**

5.030. Appeals of Board Action.

Action by the board shall be subject only to appeal through a ballot-by-mail submitted to the district representatives of the most recent council on legislation under rules to be established by the board. An appeal shall be duly filed with the general secretary by any club with the concurrence of at least 24 other clubs. At least half of the concurring clubs must be located in districts other than that of the appealing club. The appeal and concurrences must be received no later than four months after the action of the board is taken and the general secretary shall conduct said ballot-by-mail within ninety (90) days thereafter. Such appeal shall be in the form of a resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the club and certified by the president and secretary. The only question to be considered by the district representatives in acting upon the appeal is whether the action of the board should be sustained. Provided, however, if such appeal is received by the general secretary within three months before the next regularly scheduled meeting of the council on legislation, then the appeal of the board action shall be submitted to the council on legislation to decide if the action of the board should be sustained.

and in article 8 (pages 148-153 MOP)

**Article 8 Council on Legislation**

8.040. Terms of Representatives.

The term of each representative shall begin on 1 July in the year following the year in which they are to be selected. Each representative shall serve for three years or until a successor has been selected and certified.

(Subsequent sections will be renumbered as appropriate)


8.160.2. **Representation.**

The clubs in a district will be represented at such extraordinary meeting by the representative most recently elected to represent them at the council. If the representative is not able and willing to serve, the district shall be represented by the most recently elected alternate representative to the council. If neither is able and willing to serve, the governor or another person appointed by the governor who is qualified under the bylaws shall represent the clubs in the district.

(End of Text)

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PROPOSED ENACTMENT 16-

To provide for a second vice-chairman of the Council on Legislation

Proposed by the RI Board of Directors

To amend the BYLAWS of Rotary International as follows (pages 146-148 MOP)

Article 8 Council on Legislation

The council shall be composed of the following voting and non-voting members:

8.010.2. Chairman, First Vice-Chairman, Second Vice-Chairman, and Parliamentarian.
A. The chairman, first vice-chairman, second vice-chairman, and parliamentarian of the council shall be selected by the incoming president in the year immediately prior to the council. The second vice-chairman shall be selected from among the members of the constitution and bylaws committee. The chairman and first vice-chairman and second vice-chairman shall be non-voting members except that, when presiding, either they may cast the deciding vote in the case of a tie vote.

8.040. Designation and Duties of Officers.
The council officers shall consist of the chairman, first vice-chairman, second vice-chairman, parliamentarian, and secretary.

8.040.2. First and Second Vice-Chairmen.
The either the first or second vice-chairman shall serve as presiding officer as the chairman may determine or as circumstances may otherwise require. The vice-chairman first and second vice-chairmen shall also assist the chairman as determined by the chairman.

8.080. Notice.

8.080.3. Publication of Names of Chairman, Vice-Chairman First and Second Vice-Chairmen, and Parliamentarian.
The names of the chairman, vice-chairman first vice chairman, second vice-chairman, and parliamentarian shall be published by the general secretary to all clubs.
Grassroots District Approach

Based on the experience of District 3450 (Hong Kong/Macau), the idea is to encourage districts to develop an affinity program locally. District Governor David Harilela leads District 3450’s successful member benefit program. Details include:

- Launched in 2011, all 1,772 district members (and spouses) participate.
- Discounts available to Rotarians with presentation of active and valid current Rotary club membership card (Rotary District 3450 Benefits Card).
- Managed and administered voluntarily by District 3450 members.
- Over 50 merchants offer discounts, promotions, and special offers.
- 3-month trial participation by Rotaractors in 2012, which was discontinued.
- Rotarians (and contacts of Rotarians) cultivate and solicit offers from vendors.
- Offers include discounts with major vendors and local businesses (including Rotarian businesses) in the following categories:
  - Food and Beverage
  - Hotel and Travel
  - Home and Living
  - Apparel and Accessories
  - Health and Beauty
  - Training and Education
  - Others
- Positive response by Rotarians who felt “Rotary was giving something back to its members for the first time.”
- Some Rotarians suggested that program should include rebates back to the District for District or RI projects.
APPENDIX J

AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES REGARDING MEMBERSHIP BENEFIT PROGRAM
(Decision 60)

8.030.2. Rotarian Code of Conduct
The following code of conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians:

As a Rotarian, I will

1) Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life

2) Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect

3) Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people’s quality of life in my community and in the world

4) Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians

5) Not seek special business or professional advantages from other Rotarians.

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33.030.2. Authorized Use of the Rotary Emblem
The Use of the Rotary Emblem is authorized

a) On all stationery and printed matter issued by RI or member clubs thereof

b) In the official Rotary flag

c) On badges, banners, decorations and printed matter of Rotary conventions and all other official Rotary functions, and on furniture or furnishings (including rugs and carpets) of RI or member clubs

d) On road signs of member Rotary club

e) As a lapel button to be worn by Rotarians

The following constitute improper usage:

a) As a trademark or special brand of merchandise

b) When used in combination with any other emblem or name, except in accordance with RI’s sponsorship and cooperative relationship policies and under the provisions of RI’s licensing system and RI’s member benefit program

c) On business stationery or business cards of individual Rotarians

d) When used for any commercial purposes

The following use of the emblem, while not authorized, is permissible: On articles for personal use of or greetings from Rotarians and their families.

The following use is discouraged: On doors or windows of Rotarians’ business premises unless a Rotarian is a participant in RI’s member benefit program and such use does not imply, directly or indirectly, an endorsement by Rotary International or a Rotary Entity.

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33.030.12. Commercialization of the RI Name and Emblem
Sponsorship and cooperative relationships and participation in RI’s member benefit program are not commercialization of the RI emblem and other Rotary Marks. The second sentence of RI Bylaws section 18.020. is sequential to the first, and hence would not prohibit,

a) for sponsorship purposes, the use of the RI emblem and other Rotary Marks with the mark of another organization

b) for cooperative relationship purposes, the use of the RI emblem and other Rotary Marks with the mark of another organization

c) for the purposes of RI’s member benefit program, the use of the RI emblem and other Rotary Marks with the mark of another organization

Each sponsorship relationship should terminate with the completion of the sponsored event.
Any contract with a sponsor or cooperating organization of RI or TRF or a participant in RI’s member benefit program must contain restrictive language in concert with current Board policy regarding the use of the Rotary Marks.

33.030.13. The Rotary Marks in Combination with Other Marks for Commercial Purposes
Except as specifically allowed under RI’s licensing system, under RI’s member benefit program or under the provisions of RI’s sponsorship and cooperative relationship policies, the use of the Rotary Marks in combination with any other name or emblem for any commercial purpose is not recognized by RI. None of the Rotary Marks may be combined with or incorporated into the logo or insignia of another organization or for any program not under the exclusive control of RI, no matter how worthy.

33.030.15. Rotary Marks on Publications
It is improper for the Rotary Marks to be used on a pamphlet, on a website, or in any other promotional materials issued by anyone other than RI or another Rotary Entity, except in accordance with RI’s sponsorship and cooperative relationship policies and under the provisions of RI’s licensing system and RI’s member benefit program. The Board has adopted specific guidelines for community projects for Rotary clubs and districts. (See Rotary Code of Policies sections 33.040.6. and 33.040.7.)
APPENDIX K

AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES REGARDING REQUESTS FOR EXCEPTION TO GUIDELINES FOR USE OF “ROTARY” NAME

(Decision 61)

33.040.8. Requests for Exception to Guidelines for Use of “Rotary” Name

When considering requests for exception to policy set forth in section 33.040.6., the Board may consider:

1. The organizing group’s attempt to work with the general secretary to bring the name of the project or program activity into compliance with Board policy

2. The ease or difficulty with which the organizing group could bring its name into compliance with Board policy

3. The length of time the organizing group has been using the non-compliant name, with greater consideration given to projects or program activities with a longer, demonstrated period of use

4. The merit of the project or program activity and the benefit it brings to the Rotary movement as a whole

5. Whether the proposed non-compliant name in some other way accurately identifies the organizing group involved

6. Whether the proposed non-compliant name could create a likelihood of confusion with Rotary International or with any other Rotary Entity or with a project or program activity of Rotary International or any other Rotary Entity

7. Whether the organizing group is a recognized Rotary Entity

8. Whether the organizing group is otherwise compliant with Board policy

9. The degree to which the project or program activity or the name of the project or program activity could expose RI to liability

If the group is not a Rotary Entity and/or the project or activity is not under the full control of a Rotary Entity, then the Board may grant an exception for the group to enter into a license agreement with RI for use of the Rotary name, based on the above criteria. The agreement shall include RI’s standard licensing terms, including, but not limited to, terms requiring insurance and indemnification.

If the group is a Rotary Entity and the project or activity is under the full control of the Rotary Entity, then a Board exception may be granted for use of the “Rotary” name without a further identifier of the name of the Rotary Entity and a license agreement is not required.

“Under the full control of a Rotary Entity” shall be defined as follows:

a. A Rotary club, Rotary district or group of Rotary clubs or Rotary districts is solely responsible for the governance of the project or activity

b. This level of Rotary Entity governance must be demonstrated by the requesting group to the satisfaction of RI and may come in a number of different forms, including, but not limited to:
   i. The Rotary club, district or other Rotary Entity is responsible for the direct, daily operational administration and control of the project or activity, or
   ii. The Board of Directors or equivalent governing body of the project or activity consists solely of every Rotary club President (or President’s designate) or every Rotary district governor (or governor’s designate) of all Rotary clubs or districts involved and/or present in the geographic region

c. Rotarian involvement and/or support in the form of monetary donations and/or volunteer time does not establish governance of the project or activity, even if the support comes from every club in a district or from every district in a region and even if every club president or district governor in the applicable region supports the project or activity

An exception for use of the “Rotary” name does not also carry with it an exception to use the Rotary emblem or any other of the Rotary Marks.

The general secretary is asked to bring any existing projects and activities into compliance with current policy.
APPENDIX M

POTENTIAL STRATEGIC PARTNERS
(Decision 64)

Disease and Prevention and Treatment
Abbott Fund
Roche
CARE International
USAID

Water and Sanitation
USAID (designated strategic partner)

Maternal and Child Health
Mothers 2 Mothers
Pink Ribbon/Red Ribbon
Saving Mothers
Giving Life

Basic Education and Literacy
Save the Children
World Vision
CARE International
UNICEF

Economic Community Development
Opportunity International
World Vision
Adopt a Village
BRAC

Peace & Conflict Resolution
Partners for Democratic Change
Nonviolent Peaceforce
Mercy Corps
APPENDIX N

16-STEP PROCESS FOR STRATEGIC PARTNERS
(Decision 64)

The goal is to streamline a simple process for Rotary and potential strategic partners. To be effective, Rotary must find the right partners to build capacity of clubs and districts for best sustainable grant making. The 16-step process can take 12 to 24 months.

The 16-Step Process

Step 1: Identify needs within each Area of Focus.

Step 2: Build pool of potential strategic partners within each Area of Focus.

Step 3: Perform initial due diligence and research on organizations appearing to provide a good fit for Rotary (1–2 weeks).

Step 4: For “Pass” organizations, initiate contact, if communication not already initiated by the other organization, Rotarians or Trustees (1–3 months).

Step 5: Conduct in-depth due diligence and analysis of organization and potential for partnership (1 month).

Step 6: Explore Partnership Opportunities (2–3 months).

Step 7: Arrange Trustee Site visit to negotiate parameters of relationship and packaged grants (1–2 months).

Step 8: Present the results of the site visit to staff review team for review (1 month).

Step 9: Seek endorsement by Joint Committee on Partnerships for recommendations to Trustees and RI Board.

Step 10: Secure Trustee and RI Board approval of organization and strategic partnership concept (2–3 months).

Step 11: Prepare draft memorandum of understanding and finalize negotiations with partner (2–4 months).

Step 12: Concurrent with step 10, prepare web and strategic partnership application materials (1–2 months).

Step 13: Communicate and promote relationship (1–2 months).

Step 14: Implement the scope of work outlined in the memorandum of understanding.

Step 15: Monitor, evaluate, and adjust.

Step 16: Renew or end relationship.
In 2012, the fundraising consulting firm CCS created a list of 100 large US-based foundations and corporations who, on the surface, may have an interest in funding projects in one or more of Rotary’s six Areas of Focus. This list was further prioritized in consultation with Aspire Research Group. Aspire ranked the potential funders based on the following criteria:

- Potential grant size
- Whether the organization’s geographic interest matches where Rotary does the larger number of grants
- Whether the organization had an international focus
- Programmatic interest matching Rotary’s Areas of Focus
- Whether there was a Rotary connection

Based on these criteria, the “Top Ten” corporate and foundation funders are presented in descending order below:

**Top 10 Potential Resourcing Partners:**

1. GE Foundation
2. Michael and Susan Dell Foundation
3. W. K. Kellogg Foundation
4. Alcoa Foundation
5. BD Corporation
6. Howard G. Buffett Foundation
7. Coca-Cola Foundation, Inc.
8. Cummins Foundation
9. ExxonMobil Foundation
10. Merck Company Foundation
Facilitated Session with Rotary’s Joint Committee on Alumni Relations
During the September 2014 meeting of the Joint Committee on Alumni Relations, a facilitated session was held to brainstorm engagement strategies for alumni. The committee discussed the need to bring together the activities of multiple committees into a unified strategy that promotes engagement of alumni and young people to stay involved in Rotary after their participation in youth programs or foundation grants ends. Such a strategy needs to be informed by research conducted on alumni and young professionals and must consider what’s in it for them? The notes below summarize the discussion.

Engagement was defined as: The emotional connection that a volunteer feels toward an organization as a whole; which influences their behaviors and level of effort in activities.

WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE?
• Participation in the Family of Rotary
  o Opportunities to join variety of club types that might appeal to their needs (E-clubs, Satellite Clubs, etc.)
  o Different programs
    ▪ Communicate all program opportunities (RCC, RYLA, YE, Grants, etc)
    ▪ Provides opportunities for them to connect with Rotary on multiple levels
  o Rotary needs to distinguish opportunities from each other so it is easy for them to navigate
  o District Rotaract conferences are an opportunity to engage alumni in program and club options

• Making Contributions
  o Encourage alumni to participate in crowd-source funding opportunities
    ▪ Makes it easy for them to give and support Rotary
    ▪ Giving at the right level for them (small amounts)
  o Encourage Non-financial contributions – more hands-on if financial giving is not an option (e.g., in-kind, volunteer time)
  o Clubs can invite alumni to be guest speakers at a meeting
    ▪ Leadership opportunity for alumni – helps to build their resume

• Join Rotary
  o Offer alumni a membership for one year dues-free after participant completes their program
  o Encourage them to join a local alumni association to stay connected with Rotary

• Participate in Service
  o Design service activities especially for alumni (based on their prior program experience)
    ▪Appeals to need of alumni to participate in volunteer service activities that utilize their skills and abilities
  o Consider Vocational Training Teams (VTTs) as opportunity for alumni to participate in vocational service activities
  o Alumni can bring skill sets to Rotary clubs that may currently be under-represented within Rotary club membership
    ▪ Increases alumni’s sense of well-being
    ▪ Resume-building experience

• Networking
  o Creates opportunity for alumni to network with:
    ▪ Rotarians, who are seasoned professionals in their respective fields
    ▪ Peers
  o Alumni associations are networking avenues to connect them with people in Rotary that supported them as part of their participation in a Rotary program or grant

• Fun/Fellowship
  o Tiered social networking
    ▪ Opportunity to learn more about Rotary
    ▪ Make networking a fun event for Rotarians and alumni
  o Alumni-organized events
    ▪ Alumni can design and execute events that meet their needs and interests
    ▪ Help alumni have a sense of ownership and investment in Rotary
      ▪ “Their contributions matter”
  o Reunions
    ▪ Provide opportunities to reconnect alumni with people who had a major impact on their life
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STAKEHOLDERS
- Alumni
- Alumni committees—club and district level
- Current program participants
- Rotary coordinators; District Chairs
- Other committees—Youth; New Generations; Interact; Rotaract
- RI President
- Joint Alumni committee
- Local Alumni associations
- RI Staff
- Parents or guardians of alumni
- Charitable recipients of Rotary service projects
- Schools
  - Scholar recipients
  - Help develop Interact clubs

CHAMPIONS
- District governors-elect (DGEs)
  - Add a topic at assembly
- Alumni Committee chairs
- Rotary Senior Leaders
- Program leaders

COMMITTEE COORDINATION
- Evaluate the structure of multiple committees addressing youth and alumni activities
  - Consensus among stakeholder committees
  - 3 year appointments for JCAR — perhaps as an umbrella committee
  - Coordinate targeted demographics in committees
  - Align with Membership Committee reporting and activities
  - New Generations coordination with alumni members
- Recommendation from President-Elect
- Coordinated marketing and communication plan regarding alumni strategy

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH QUESTIONS
- Why is there a high level of interest in joining a Rotary club among alumni, but the likelihood that they will join is so low?
  - Why aren’t they joining Rotary? What is turning them off?
  - What has to happen to make them join?
  - How do they want to connect with Rotary?
- Why are there zero recurring gifts?
- Conduct targeted focus groups
- Why are alumni volunteering with other organizations and not with Rotary?
- What are demographics now? What do we want demographics to be in the future?

CONCERNS/IDEAS
- Clubs must address the “What’s in it for me” question….
  - The value proposition for joining Rotary must be clear for alumni
    - They will become part of an organization that saves lives, does good in the world
- Clubs must consider the qualifications of the program participants when considering an offer of membership (Rotaract, RYLA-PGMs where no qualification process)
  - Team leaders have responsibility
- High-level training
  - Offer access to:
    - Professional development
    - Leadership development
    - Vocational coaching
APPENDIX Q

ALUMNI AWARDS
(Decision 65)

43.100. Rotary Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award

The purpose of Rotary’s Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award is to honor an outstanding Rotary Alumnus whose career and activities illustrate the impact of Rotary’s programs on their service to humanity. For the award, Rotarians should consider individuals whose service activities and professional achievements are of an extraordinary nature. The ideal candidate’s service and professional career would go beyond the local community to touch the lives of people at the international level.

Rotary’s Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award is given to a single individual. All Rotary alumni are eligible for the Award.

43.100.1. Selection Criteria

1. Candidates must have demonstrated the social benefits of Rotary’s programs through extraordinary service activities and professional achievements.

2. Candidates must have achieved distinction in their profession or vocation.

3. Candidates must have performed sustainable service impacting the international community.

43.100.2. Eligibility Criteria

1. Candidates must accept the award in person at the Rotary International Convention, with exception being granted in special circumstances.

2. An individual may receive an award only once.

3. Individuals may not be nominated for, or receive an award, posthumously.

43.100.3. Nomination of Candidates

1. All district governors are eligible to nominate one candidate annually for the zone level competition.

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.

3. The regional Rotary Foundation coordinator (RRFC) shall be responsible for the nomination process for their zone/region and should notify district governors of the zone level deadline and procedures. All three regional coordinators should be involved in the nomination process.

4. Each RRFC may nominate one candidate annually from the zone/region for which he or she is responsible for the international competition.

5. Nominations must be received at RI World Headquarters by 30 June for the following year’s award.

43.100.4. Selection Process

1. The general secretary will review all nominations to assure candidates meet the eligibility criteria and forward them to the Joint Committee on Alumni Relations for consideration.

2. The Joint Committee on Alumni Relations will review all eligible nominations and recommend one winner and one alternate winner of the Rotary Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award to be presented to the Board and Trustees at their joint meeting in October for selection.

3. The recipient of the award and the nominating district governor and RRFC will be notified about winning the award immediately after the October Joint meeting of Directors and Trustees meeting. 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 nominating district governors 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.
43.100.5. Involvement of Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award Recipients in Rotary Activities
Rotary Institute conveners and regional coordinators are encouraged to invite Award recipients to speak at the Rotary Institute as appropriate and if practicable.

Governors and Governors-elect of those districts where Award recipients reside are encouraged to invite the recipients to the district conference as appropriate and if practicable.

Presidents of Rotary clubs where Award recipients reside are encouraged to grant honorary membership to Global Alumni Award recipients who are not Rotarians and to invite them to club events whenever possible.

Past Award recipients may be invited to participate in Foundation events at RI Conventions whenever appropriate and practical.

43.110. Alumni Association of the Year Award
The purpose of the Rotary Alumni Association of the Year Award is to recognize an alumni association that has increased awareness of the significant role alumni play in Rotary and demonstrated a lasting impact on Rotary programs. Winning associations receive a plaque or banner, recognition in Rotary media, and the opportunity to present their association’s work at a significant Rotary event.

43.110.1. Award Eligibility
The alumni association must:

a) Be formally chartered by Rotary-International
b) Be up-to-date in responding to all requests for information from RI, such as surveys and current officers
c) Enhance the awareness of the value of alumni within Rotary
d) Involve a majority of association members
e) Complete a project or activity over the past twelve months that has impact on either a local or international community
f) Have an online presence through social media, such as Facebook, LinkedIn, or other site
g) Demonstrate collaboration between Rotarians and alumni
h) Support the Object of Rotary and Service Above Self

43.110.2. Nomination Procedure
At the beginning of the Rotary year, the regional Rotary Foundation coordinator (RRFC) chooses and announces a zone/regional selection committee to receive and evaluate all entries. The RRFC All three regional coordinators should be ex officio members of this committee.

The zone/regional selection committee should choose the association in the zone/region to receive the award before 15 June. The selected association should be recognized as their zone/regional winner.

The RRFC must fill out and submit the official nomination form to RI World Headquarters by 30 June for the following year’s award. Each RRFC may submit one association from their zone/region.

The Joint Committee on Alumni Relations will review all nominations and recommend one winners of the Alumni Association of the Year Award to be presented to the Board and Trustees at their joint meeting in October for selection.
APPENDIX S

ALUMNI RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ROTARY COORDINATORS AND
ROTARY PUBLIC IMAGE COORDINATORS
(Decision 74)

26.060.2. Rotary Coordinator Functions
Rotary coordinators will focus their activities on supporting and strengthening clubs and districts. The Rotary coordinators’ primary responsibilities are to:

- Encourage innovative retention and new member attraction strategies to support membership growth and promote the benefits of membership
- Emphasize member engagement through effective volunteer activities, networking, and programs and activities that support youth and young leaders and alumni
- Recommend solutions to address membership challenges, such as more flexible club meetings, focusing on members’ satisfaction, and enhancing volunteer opportunities
- Help districts and clubs develop and implement their own strategic plans
- Promote Rotary International’s priorities and initiatives
- Communicate and execute the regional membership plans in their regions
- Monitor and provide feedback on the regional membership plan in their region
- Assist with the development and support of alumni associations

50.030. Rotary Public Image Coordinators

Functions
The Rotary public image coordinators are to be trained and knowledgeable about RI and club and district level public relations, and they are to perform the following functions through the planning and conducting of district and regional seminars and workshops with the assistance and support of district leaders:

1. Inform and motivate Rotarians about RI’s public relations efforts
2. Promote the use of RI public relations grants
3. Encourage stronger club level public relations efforts
4. Promote the RI Strategic Plan priorities of advancing internal and external recognition and public image of RI
5. Serve as member of the GETS training team when invited by GETS convener
6. Promote the use of Rotary’s visual identity assets
7. Highlight alumni to enhance Rotary’s public image
APPENDIX X

AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES REGARDING CLUB INVOICING
(Decision 105)

5.010.2. Club Membership Increase
When a club’s membership increases by more than 25 percent between two semiannual report periods, the general secretary shall take the following action:

a. Determine the legitimacy of the membership list
b. If the purported membership increase is not verified, advise the club president that the Board will consider this a serious violation of the trust placed in him/her as a club officer, and – pursuant to RI bylaws section 3.030 – will consider disciplining the club, up to and including termination for cause.

9.020.1. Notification of Non-Payment of Per Capita Dues
Notification to all clubs of the Board’s policy relating to non-payment of per capita dues and other financial obligations to RI shall be included in the letter transmitting each semiannual report.

Subsequent sections of the RI Code of Policies will be renumbered accordingly.

17.040.3. Voting Strength
The district governor will notify the clubs in the district at least 15 days prior to the balloting regarding the number of votes to which the club is entitled. A club’s voting strength is determined by using the paid membership club membership list per RI’s database as of 1 January or 1 July, the date that the most recent semiannual payment was due. Members inducted after this date are not counted when calculating the number of votes a club is entitled to cast in all district level elections referred to in the RI Bylaws, including but not limited to the elections of governor, representative to the Council on Legislation, and nominating committee for director. For example, in an election conducted in March, members who joined the club by 1 January and who prior to the election have paid RI semiannual and prorated dues for the period up to 31 December are counted when calculating the number of votes allocated to the club.

31.030.2. Submission of Club Semiannual Reports
Payment of Club Invoices
The general secretary may excuse clubs from submitting semiannual reports paying club invoices when, in the general secretary’s judgment, the recommendation of the governor and other circumstances in the case warrant such action.

68.010.6. Annual Budgeting for Dues Revenue
For all RI budgets, the anticipated dues revenue shall be based on the number of dues-paying Rotarians at the time of the 1 January (six months prior to the budget year) semiannual reports club invoices.
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