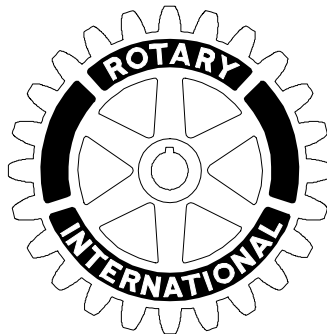

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FEBRUARY 2007 MEETING

Board of Directors of Rotary International

The Board of Directors of Rotary International held its third meeting of the year on
5–9 February 2007 in Evanston, Illinois, USA

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Present were: President William B. Boyd, President-elect Wilfrid J. Wilkinson, Vice-President Jerry L. Hall, Treasurer Frank N. Goldberg, Executive Committee Chair Anthony F. de St. Dalmas, other directors, Kjell-Åke Åkesson, Örsçelik Balkan, Horst Heiner Hellge, Kwang Tae Kim, Michael K. McGovern, Donald L. Mebus, Raffaele Pallotta d'Acquapendente, Noraseth Pathmanand, Barry Rassin, Ian H.S. Riseley, Masanobu Shigeta, Carlos E. Speroni, Robert A. Stuart Jr., Yoshimasa Watanabe, and General Secretary Edwin H. Futa.

Alice Baehler served as secretary of the meeting with the assistance of Rosemary O'Brien and Matt Hohmann. Other staff present were Joseph Brownlee, Sharon Cyr, Peter DeBerge, Patricia Groenewold, Jeanette Hamilton, Alan Jarvis, Kathleen Kessenich, Laurie Linxweiler, Andrew McDonald, Donna McDonald, Robert Mintz, Maureen Ninneman, Theresa Nissen, John Osterlund, and Steven Routburg. Eiko Terao served as a staff interpreter. Additional interpreters were: Luisa Brantingham, Luisa Feuerstein, Kiwon Kang, Tsue Ostermann, Chongwon Park, Moira Pujols, and Fabio Teso.

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.

Acknowledgement:

The Board recognizes and congratulates President William B. Boyd on recognition from Queen Elizabeth II and his designation as Companion of the Queen's Service Order for Community Service. This special honor was bestowed upon President Boyd in recognition of his many years of continuous service to the people of New Zealand and the world.

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129. Minutes of the November 2006 Board Meeting

Statement: Printed copies of the November 2006 Board meeting minutes were distributed to each director.

DECISION: The Board approves the minutes of the November 2006 Board meeting as distributed.

130. Ratification of Decisions Made by the President

Statement: As authorized, President Boyd made several decisions on behalf of the Board since the November 2006 meeting.

DECISION: The Board ratifies the decisions shown in Appendix A made on behalf of the Board by President Boyd during the period 29 September 2006 through 5 January 2007.

131. Ratification of Decisions Made by the General Secretary

Statement: As authorized, the general secretary made several decisions on behalf of the Board since its November 2006 meeting.

DECISION: The Board ratifies the decisions shown in Appendix B made by the general secretary on behalf of the Board during the period 29 September 2006 through 5 January 2007.

132. Action Report on Board Decisions

Statement: *Rotary Code of Policies* section 28.005. requires the general secretary to provide an action report at each meeting on those Board decisions requiring implementation or follow-through.

DECISION: The Board thanks the general secretary for his action report on the implementation of its decisions from the November 2006 meeting, as shown in Appendix C, filed only with the official copy of these minutes.

133. Tentative Future Agenda

Statement: Board procedures require at each meeting the submission of a tentative agenda for the next Board meeting.

DECISION: The Board receives the tentative agenda for its June 2007 meeting.

134. Report of the President

Statement: The president reported on his activities, accomplishments, and concerns since the November 2006 Board meeting.

DECISION: The Board thanks President Boyd for his report.

135. Report of the General Secretary

Statement: The general secretary presented a report on work at the Secretariat since the November 2006 meeting.

DECISION: The Board thanks the general secretary for his report.

136. Report of the Treasurer

Statement: *Rotary Code of Policies* section 29.040.7. requires the RI treasurer to report on the status of RI finances at each Board meeting.

DECISION: The Board thanks the treasurer for his report.

137. Communications from the Trustees

Statement: At their January 2006 meeting, the Rotary Foundation Trustees took a number of decisions of interest to the Board.

DECISION: The Board

1. notes the following decisions from the January 2007 meeting of the Rotary Foundation Trustees:
 6. Communications from the RI Directors

8. Report of the Joint Committee of Directors and Trustees
9. Selection of 2006–07 Recipients of the Distinguished Service Award
16. Status of Smithsonian Exhibit “Whatever Happened to Polio?”
20. 3-H Grants Budget Adjustment

2. thanks the Trustees for their suggestion to establish a district-level awards committee to promote and consider nominations for all RI and Rotary Foundation awards; notes that under the District Leadership Plan, districts may appoint a district-level awards committee should they choose to do so, and encourages districts to appoint this awards committee;
3. approves the transfer of US\$672,000 from The Rotary Foundation’s Matching Grants budget to the 3-H Grants World Fund, and a transfer of US\$150,000 from the Matching Grants budget to the 3-H Grants District Designated Funds;
4. requests the Trustees to review the role and responsibilities of the district governor in regard to administration and stewardship of The Rotary Foundation’s interests within the district.

138. Miscellaneous Communication

Statement: One communication was presented to the Board from the Rotary Club of Pakuranga, Auckland, New Zealand, requesting the Board to grant an exception to the *Rotary Code Policies* regarding the use of the name “Rotary” in a local project.

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

139. Updates to the *Rotary Code of Policies* from the November 2006 Board Meeting

Statement: In decision 197, February 1999, the Board requested the general secretary, at the conclusion of each Board meeting, to review the decisions taken by the Board at that meeting and prepare a report listing the decisions that might be added to the *Rotary Code of Policies*. The general secretary provided suggested amendments to the *Rotary Code* based upon decisions taken by the Board at its November 2006 meeting.

DECISION: The Board, to record the decisions that it has taken previously, amends the *Rotary Code of Policies* as found in Appendix D, filed only with the official copy of the minutes.

140. Status of Litigation

Statement: Board agenda procedures require a status report on litigation affecting RI at each Board meeting.

DECISION: The Board thanks the general secretary for his report on litigation.

141. Audit and Operations Review Committee Report

Statement: The Audit and Operations Review Committee met on 8–10 January 2007, in Evanston, Illinois, USA. Chairman Lynn Hammond presented the committee’s report to the Board.

DECISION: The Board thanks Chairman Lynn Hammond for presenting the report of the Audit and Operations Review Committee and thanks the committee for its report.

142. Council Operations Committee Report: Status of Proposed Legislation

Statement: The Council Operations Committee met on 28–29 November 2006 and again via teleconference on 8 January 2007. In addition to reviewing logistical details for the Council, the committee reviewed a large quantity of proposed legislation from clubs and districts. The committee considered the status of such files as reflected in the following decision.

DECISION: The Board

1. tentatively agrees that the following files containing proposed legislation for the 2007 Council are neither deficient nor defective at this time: 001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 010, 011, 012, 013, 014, 015, 016, 017, 018, 021, 024, 025, 026, 027, 028, 029, 030, 031, 032, 033, 035, 036, 037, 038, 039, 040, 043, 044, 045, 046, 047, 048, 049, 051, 053, 054, 055, 056, 057, 058, 060, 062, 063, 064, 065, 066, 067, 068, 069, 070, 071, 072, 073, 075, 076, 077, 079, 080, 081, 082, 083, 084, 085, 086, 087, 088, 089, 090, 091, 092, 093, 094, 095, 096, 097, 098, 099, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 106, 108, 110, 111, 113, 114, 115, 116, 119, 121, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 141, 142, 143, 144,

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2. tentatively agrees that the following files containing proposed legislation for the 2007 Council are deficient at this time: 020, 050, 052, 059, 078, 105, 122, 140, 162, 179, 240, 241, 250, 261, 285, 293, 294, 303, 320, 325, 326, 330, 360, 368, 370, 373, 381, 392, 394, 397, 429;
3. tentatively agrees that the following files containing proposed legislation for the 2007 Council are defective at this time: 023, 061, 074, 193, 206, 222, 223, 233, 297, 319, 331, 350, 380;
4. tentatively agrees that the following files containing proposed legislation for the 2007 Council are deficient and defective at this time: 019, 041, 042, 109, 112, 120, 149, 177, 182, 184, 212, 214, 264, 265, 270, 329, 363, 402;
5. tentatively agrees that the following files containing proposed legislation for the 2007 Council are not within the framework of the program of RI at this time: 239, 427;
6. tentatively agrees that the following files containing proposed legislation for the 2007 Council legislation are not duly proposed: L001, L002, L003, L004, L005, L006, ND002, ND003, ND004, ND005, ND006, ND007, ND008, ND010, ND011,

ND012, ND013, ND014, ND015, ND016, ND017, ND018;

7. agrees that legislation that is not duly proposed, deficient, defective nor within the framework of the program of RI shall not be transmitted to the Council.

DECISIONS 143–145

Council on Legislation Advisory Committee

The Council on Legislation Advisory Committee met on 3–5 January 2007, in Evanston, Illinois, USA and on 28 January–2 February 2007, in San Diego, California, USA, and made several recommendations to the Board.

143. General Strategy

Statement: The Council on Legislation Advisory Committee reviewed all proposed legislation already published and considered which of these items the Board might wish to comment on through the submission of statements of support and opposition, or by speaking at the Council.

DECISION: The Board

1. endorses the legislative strategy presented by the Board Council on Legislation Advisory Committee at this meeting;
2. authorizes the committee to draft statements of support and opposition as discussed at this meeting, and to determine which will be submitted to the Council, as approved by the president;
3. agrees to submit to members of the 2007 Council on Legislation a statement indicating that the fact that certain items of legislation were submitted as "Compromise Legislation" does not indicate that the Board endorses such legislation.

Note: Director McGovern requested his negative vote be recorded on proposed enactment 07-308.

144. Authority of the President to Act on Behalf of the Board in Legislative Matters

Statement: In decision 62, November 2006, the Board authorized the president—with the consent of the chair of the Council on Legislation Advisory Committee—to act on its behalf until this meeting with respect to matters relating to the Council on Legislation. The Council on Legislation Advisory Committee noted that

the Board may again need to take action on Council matters before the Board's April meeting and recommended the Board grant the same authorization to the president in the intervening time.

DECISION: The Board authorizes President Boyd, with the consent of the chair of the Council on Legislation Advisory Committee, to act on its behalf with respect to all matters relating to the Council on Legislation.

145. Proposed Enactment 07–165: To Provide that the RI Treasurer and Another Member of the RI Board Serve as Non-Voting Members of the RI Finance Committee

Statement: Pursuant to discussion at this meeting, the Board considered amending its proposed enactment "To provide that the RI treasurer and another member of the RI Board serve as members of the RI Finance Committee," so that Board members serving on this committee shall be non-voting members.

DECISION: The Board amends its proposal "To provide that the RI treasurer and another member of the RI Board serve as members of the RI Finance Committee" that it agreed to submit to the 2007 Council on Legislation pursuant to decision 235, June 2006, so that it reads as follows:

PROPOSED ENACTMENT 07-165

To provide that the RI treasurer and another member of the RI Board serve as non-voting members of the RI Finance Committee

Proposed by the Board of Directors of RI

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (pages 225-226 MOP)

Article 16 Committees

16.010. Number and Term.

The board shall establish standing committees on communications, constitution and bylaws, conventions, districting, election review, finance, and Rotaract, as well as such other committees as it from time to time may determine is in the best interests of RI. The numbers and terms of office for the standing committees shall be as follows: (1) communications — consist of six members, two of whom shall be appointed each year for terms of three years; (2) constitution and bylaws – consist of three

members, one of whom shall be appointed each year for a term of three years; (3) conventions — consist of six members, one of whom shall be chairman of the host organization for the annual convention; (4) districting consist of three members, one of whom shall be appointed annually from the board for a term of three years; (5) election review — consist of six members, each of whom shall serve a term of three years, with two members appointed each year; (6) finance — consist of ~~six~~eight members, ~~each~~six of whom shall serve a term of three years with two members appointed each year, and the RI treasurer and one member of the board appointed by the board, each of whom shall serve a term of one year as a non-voting member; (7) Rotaract — consist of six members, each of whom shall serve a term of three years, with two members appointed each year, plus a minimum of three Rotaract members. The number of members on the committees and the terms of membership, except for the standing committees, shall be as determined by the board, subject to the provision of section 16.050. below. The board shall prescribe the duties and authority of all committees and, except for the standing committees, provide for continuity of committee members from year to year.

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146. Executive Committee Report

Statement: In September 2006, the general secretary received a formal complaint against a past governor, claiming violation of *Rotary Code of Policies* section 29.070., Improper Conduct by Current or Past Officers. The complainant alleged the past governor knowingly submitted proposed legislation to the 2007 Council without proper district endorsement. The Executive Committee investigated this matter and made its recommendation to the Board.

DECISION: The Board

1. receives the report of its Executive Committee regarding the complaint filed against a past governor who knowingly submitted proposed legislation to 2007 Council on Legislation without proper district endorsement;
2. finds that the actions of the past governor violated RI's rules and procedures;

3. authorizes the president, in consultation with the chairman of the Executive Committee, to inform the past governor of the Board's findings and sanctions as discussed at this meeting.

147. Strategic Planning Committee Report

Statement: In decision 40, November 2006, the Board deferred consideration of the Strategic Planning Committee report to this meeting, and requested the committee to further refine the vision, mission, priorities, and goals of RI's strategic plan.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the Strategic Planning Committee for its report;
2. adopts in concept the recommended mission, vision, priorities, and goals for the RI Strategic Plan for 2007-08 through 2009-10 as shown in Appendix E, filed only with the official copy of these minutes;
3. requests the committee to
 - a. further refine the recommended mission, vision, priorities and goals, for presentation to the June 2007 Board meeting;
 - b. work with the general secretary to develop measurable objectives to achieve the goals, for review at its June 2007 meeting;
4. authorizes its Executive Committee to work with the Strategic Planning Committee to prepare a progress report on the RI Strategic Plan for presentation at the 2007 Council on Legislation.

148. Election Review Committee Report

Statement: Five district election complaints had been received by the general secretary since the Board's June 2006 meeting. In accordance with Board policy, the RI Election Review Committee reviewed each of these complaints and made its recommendations to the Board at this meeting.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the Election Review Committee for its diligent efforts to review all the election complaints and commends the committee for the format and detail of the reports received at this meeting;

2. receives the complaint of the Rotary Club of Amravati (District 3030, India) and
 - a. finds that the actions of the 2005-06 governor of District 3030, on behalf of one of the candidates, compromised the integrity of the election of the 2008-09 governor;
 - b. further finds that the ballot used in the election did not conform with the requirements of the RI Bylaws;
 - c. upholds the complaint, voids the election of Rotarian Kishor Kedia, and requests the governor of District 3030 to conduct a mail ballot of the clubs in the district, such ballot to list the three candidates in the correct order, and report the results to the general secretary no later than 1 June 2007;
3. receives the report of the Rotary Club of Lahore Garrison (District 3270, Afghanistan and Pakistan) and
 - a. finds that there is insufficient evidence to support the allegations made in the complaint;
 - b. confirms the selection of Rotarian Saeed Shamsi as the 2008-09 governor of District 3270 and dismisses the complaint of the Rotary Club of Lahore Garrison;
4. receives the complaint of the Rotary Club of Dum Dum (District 3290, India) and
 - a. finds that the actions of past governor Swapan Mukherjee did not violate RI's rules or procedures regarding the constitution of the district nominating committee;
 - b. dismisses the complaint of the Rotary Club of Dum Dum;
5. receives the complaint of the Rotary Club of Seoul Solunar (District 3640, Korea) and
 - a. finds that there was campaigning by and on behalf of challenging candidate Jin-Chool Lim; voids the election of Rotarian Lim, and disqualifies her from serving as the 2008-09 governor of district 3640;
 - b. instructs the current governor of District 3640 to invite the clubs in the district to submit their

suggestions for nominations for governor, which may include Rotarian Jae-Wook Jung, and to conduct a ballot-by-mail with the names of any candidates received by the governor;

- c. requests the governor to report the results of the ballot-by-mail to the general secretary no later than 1 June 2007;

6. receives the complaint of the Rotary Club of East Davao (District 3860, Philippines) and finds that there are insufficient grounds to overturn the election of Rotarian Pablito Parilla as the 2008-09 governor of District 3860 and dismisses the complaint of the Rotary Club of East Davao.

149. Amendments to Board's Procedures Regarding Campaigning and Election Complaints

Statement: In decision 239, June 2006, the Board deferred consideration of the report of the Committee to Review the Procedures for the Nominating Committee for RI President until its June 2007 meeting. Director Stuart suggested that the Board adopt the proposed amendments to the rules concerning improper campaigning and election complaints at this meeting rather than wait until June 07.

DECISION: The Board amends the *Rotary Code of Policies* as shown in Appendix F.

150. Appointment of Members to the 2007-08 Nominating Committee for President from Zones 3 and 23

Statement: RI Bylaws section 11.030.1. requires that those past directors who wish to be considered for membership on the Nominating Committee for President must advise the general secretary prior to 31 December. As of that date, the general secretary had not been notified of any potential candidates from Zones 3 and 23. RI Bylaws section 11.020.5. allows that, where there is no past director available from a particular zone, a past governor shall be eligible for election or appointment, provided that the past governor has served for at least one year as a member of a committee provided for in RI Bylaws sections 16.010., 16.020., and 16.030. or as a trustee of The Rotary Foundation.

DECISION: The Board

1. appoints Past Governor Jiichiro Nakajima as the member of the 2007–08 Nominating Committee for President in 2009–10 from Zone 3;
2. appoints Past Governor John T. Blount as the member of the 2007–08 Nominating Committee for President in 2009–10 from Zone 23.

151. Appointment of Member to the 2007-08 Nominating Committee for President from Zone 7

Statement: Past Director Sabino S. Santos, Zone 7 member of the 2007-08 Nominating Committee for President, passed away on 17 January 2007, thereby creating a vacancy on the committee. RI Bylaws section 11.030.7. provides that “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.”

DECISION: The Board of Directors appoints Past Director Rafael G. Hechanova as the Zone 7 member of the 2007–08 Nominating Committee for President in 2009–10.

152. Institute Resolution on Challenges in Zone 10

Statement: The 2006 Rotary Zone 10 Institute adopted a resolution to the Board on the need to address challenges facing Rotarians in Zone 10. Director Balkan led a discussion on the resolution regarding re-zoning, international offices, and goodwill conferences in the zone, and stressed the many challenges facing the zone that the Board may wish to address.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the Rotarians attending the Zone 10 Institute for their resolution, which notes the challenges facing Rotarians in Zone 10;
2. recognizing the diversity of cultures, language, and religion within zone 10, and the potential for membership growth in the area, requests the Rotarians attending the 2007 Rotary zone institutes in Lisbon, Portugal (Zone 10B) and Nairobi, Kenya (Zone 10A) to provide tangible suggestions for adjusting the Zone 10 composition for later report to the RI Board;

3. requests future RI presidents and Foundation chairmen to organize global peace symposiums for conflict resolution to be held in Zone 10;
4. requests Director Balkan to work with the general secretary to resolve any issues regarding service to Rotary clubs in Africa, for report to the Board at its February 2008 meeting;
5. encourages Rotary clubs in Zone 10 to explore opportunities for membership growth in the countries that comprise Zone 10.

153. Election and Terms of Reference for Executive Committee

Statement: The Board established its current procedures for electing members to its Executive Committee in November 2001. Since then, the Board has consistently suspended these procedures at the time of election. At its July 2006 meeting, some directors agreed to review the current election process at a future Board meeting.

DECISION: The Board reaffirms the election process for the Executive Committee as stated in *Rotary Code of Policies* section 30.060.2.

154. General Secretary Authority to Extend the Selection Period for District Governor

Statement: RI Bylaws section 13.010. requires districts to select a nominee for governor not more than 30 months before taking office. The bylaws also authorize the Board to extend this date “for good and sufficient reason.” Because the Board meets only four times a year, districts seeking Board authorization to select a nominee more than 30 months before taking office may experience an inconvenient delay in their selection process. The *Rotary Code of Policies* authorizes the general secretary to extend the time limits for the selection of RI director-nominees. The general secretary noted that a similar authority to extend the selection period for district governor would allow districts to act swiftly on their nominee selection plans.

DECISION: The Board

1. authorizes the general secretary to extend the dates for a district to select its district governor-nominee, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 13.010. where the district has demonstrated a good and sufficient reason to do so;

2. amends the *Rotary Code of Policies* with the following addition:

31.030.4. Selection of District Governor-nominee
The general secretary may extend the time specified in RI Bylaws 13.010 for the selection of a district governor-nominee if, in the general secretary's opinion, there is a good and sufficient reason to do so.

155. Amendments to Club Constitution

Statement: South African law allows for certain entities to be exempt from paying taxes if the South African Revenue Authority is satisfied the entity fulfills the requirements of a "Public Body Organization." The Rotary Club of Hibiscus Coast (Margate & Uvongo), South Africa, requested the Board to approve amendments to the club's constitution that would enable the club to fulfill these requirements. RI Bylaws section 3.020.3. provides for the Board to approve—by a two-thirds majority vote—provisions in an individual club's constitution that are not in accordance with the standard club constitution.

DECISION: The Board

1. by a two-thirds majority vote, approves amendments to the constitution of the Rotary Club of Hibiscus Coast (Margate & Uvongo), South Africa, District 9270, as shown in Appendix G;
2. approves any similar future requests for amendments to club constitutions proposed by clubs in South Africa.

156. Extension Committee Structure

Statement: In decision 268, February 2003, the Board requested the president-elect to appoint an Ad Hoc Extension to Non-Rotary Countries Committee with sub-committees for the People's Republic of China, Southeast Asia, Muslim Countries, and Cuba. Subsequent presidents have also followed this Board decision. Based on new information and recommendations regarding these committees, President-elect Wilkinson recommended that each of the previous sub-committees be made into stand-alone extension committees. The president-elect also recommended that the current sub-committee for extension to the Middle East and Mediterranean countries be replaced with an Extension of Rotary in the Middle East and Mediterranean Committee.

DECISION: The Board

1. recognizing the importance of extension efforts in the Middle East and Mediterranean countries at this time, agrees to replace the current 2006-07 subcommittee with an Ad Hoc Extension of Rotary in the Middle East and Mediterranean Committee;
2. requests the president-elect to eliminate the Ad Hoc Extension of Rotary Committee in 2007-08, replacing it with individual committees for extension efforts to China, the Middle East and Mediterranean countries, South and Southeast Asia, the South Pacific, and Cuba;
3. amends accordingly its decision 268, February 2003.

157. Revision to RI's Rotary Entity Fundraiser License

Statement: In decision 297, June 2005, the Board adopted a new Type 4B license to be available to those Rotary entities that donate 100% of proceeds from the sale of licensed merchandise to The Rotary Foundation or one of its associate foundations. Vendors in this license type are allowed a 50% reduction in royalty payments due to RI. To give licensees additional incentive to engage in Rotary Foundation fundraising activities, Director de St. Dalmas recommended a further reduction to the royalty payments required under the Type 4B license.

DECISION: The Board amends *Rotary Code of Policies* section 34.020.1. and adds new section 70.020.4., as shown in Appendix H.

DECISIONS 158-159

Cooperative Relationships Committee

The Cooperative Relationships Committee met on 30 January-1 February 2007, in San Diego, California, USA, and made several recommendations to the Board.

158. Current Status of Cooperative Relationships

Statement: The Cooperative Relationships Committee reviewed RI's objective in developing cooperative relationships with other organizations. It discussed the different types of relationships RI currently maintains with other organizations and how they can be improved. The committee recommended the Board approve changes to the *Rotary Code* to help RI develop a joint

policy with The Rotary Foundation when developing cooperative relationships.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the Joint Committee on Cooperative Relationships for its work;
2. adopts the Joint RI and TRF Policy on Relationships with Other Organizations as shown in Appendix I;
3. notes that the committee will meet again in March 2007 to further refine cooperative relationships that involve the receipt of funding from other organizations;
4. requests the Joint Committee on Cooperative Relationships to provide a report to the Board at its June 2007 meeting.

159. Amendment to the Rotary Code of Policies Regarding Rotarian Action Groups and Other Organizations

Statement: Due to concerns about fundraising by Rotarian Action Groups, the Cooperative Relationships Committee recommended the Board strengthen its policy on Rotarian Action Groups seeking funds in excess of US\$25,000 from other organizations by inserting language from *Rotary Code* section 35.010.1. regarding the “no contact list.”

DECISION: The Board amends *Rotary Code of Policies* section 43.020.15. as follows:

43.020.15 Rotarian Actions Groups and Other Organizations

1. In order to ensure coordination and cooperation with Rotary entities that may be involved in similar activities and avoid conflicts of interest, Rotarian Action Groups approaching other organizations for funds in excess of US\$25,000, or other cooperative relationships shall notify, and provide a copy to, the general secretary in advance of any formal applications. This provision also applies to funds that will be disbursed to a third party organization working with this group.
2. Notwithstanding point 1 above, Rotarian Action Groups may not contact or solicit any organizations on the “no contact list,” as defined in Article 35.010.1., for the purpose of obtaining funds or cooperation for their projects without the express

written consent of the RI president in consultation with the trustee chairman.

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160. Rotarian Action Groups Committee Report

Statement: In decision 157, February 2006, the Board deferred consideration of five Rotarian Action Groups (RAGs) applications to its November 2006 meeting. Noting that the recommendations of the Rotarian Action Groups Committee would result in policy changes affecting pending RAG proposals, the Board, in decision 75, November 2006, again deferred consideration of new RAGs applications to this meeting. Meanwhile, the general secretary received five new RAGs applications. The committee also recognized that the prohibition against RAGs seeking financial support on their Web sites can be obstructive to the RAGs goal of performing service projects, and therefore recommended removing the prohibition.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the Rotarian Action Groups Committee for its report;
2. defers consideration of the Disaster Relief Rotarian Action Group to its June 2007 meeting;
3. agrees to recognize Global Network for Blood Donation, A Rotarian Action Group;
4. defers consideration of the Rotarian Action Group Environment to its June 2007 meeting;
5. agrees to recognize the Rotarian Action Group for Microcredit;
6. does not agree to recognize the Rotarian Action Group for Vulture Recovery in India, Pakistan, and Nepal;
7. does not agree to recognize the Rotarian Peace Forum (Rotarian Action Group);
8. defers consideration of the Rotarians Fight Hunger (Rotarian Action Group) to its June 2007 meeting;
9. does not agree to recognize the Rotarians for Understanding Climate Change (Rotarian Action Group);

10. agrees to recognize the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group;
11. agrees to recognize World Health Fairs—A Rotarian Action Group;
12. agrees to remove the prohibition against Rotarian Action Groups listing projects that are seeking financial support on their Web sites and amends the *Rotary Code of Policies* as follows:

43.020.14. Rotarian Action Group Service Activities

Rotarian Action Groups are encouraged to work through the existing structure of Rotary clubs and districts to promote and support their service projects. Rotarian Action Groups may ~~not~~ list projects on their Web sites seeking financial support with notification to the general secretary.

161. Rotaract Committee Report

Statement: The Rotaract Committee met via correspondence from July through December 2006, and once via conference call on 18 August 2006. The committee particularly stressed the need for strengthening the relationship between Rotary clubs and their sponsored Rotaract clubs, and also requested that the general secretary solicit the committee's input when revising Rotaract publications. Other topics the committee discussed included membership issues, improving communications amongst Rotaractors, major challenges facing the Rotaract program, improving Rotaract's public relations through RI publications, preconventions and workshops at the 2007 RI (Salt Lake City) Convention, Rotaract's place in the Club Leadership Plan, and the composition of the committee and the nomination of its members.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the committee for its report and looks forward to receiving the committee's recommendations in June 2007;
2. encourages district governors to
 - a. train district Rotaract chairs to facilitate knowledge of and cooperation with their Rotaract clubs;
 - b. include district Rotaract representatives as members of district leadership teams;

3. encourages district Rotaract chairs and district Rotaract representatives to provide guidance to Rotaract clubs on how to develop collaborative relationships with their sponsoring Rotary clubs and to guide Rotaract clubs to actively establish personal contacts with the presidents and members of their sponsoring Rotary clubs;
4. requests the general secretary to solicit recommendations for future scheduled revisions of existing Rotaract publications from the Rotaract Committee;
5. encourages governors-elect to participate in the Youth Exchange and Rotaract Preconventions and any youth program workshop planned for the RI (Salt Lake City) Convention;
6. refers the Rotaract Committee's proposal to reference Rotaract in the Club Leadership Plan to the Leadership Development and Training Committee;
7. notes the committee's recommendation for an annual performance review process for committee members serving terms longer than a single year and for making the committee nomination process more transparent;
8. requests the Rotaract Committee to provide a report on membership trends and recommendations on how to increase membership.

162. Annual Review of the Open World Program

Statement: The Open World Program is a United States Library of Congress-sponsored activity that enables US Rotary clubs and districts to host emerging leaders from the Russian Federation and former Soviet republics for eight-day study tours, exposing them to new ideas and skills. In decision 29, February 2001, the Board agreed that future participation in this program shall be subject to annual review by the Board. The general secretary reported that 2006 was a successful year for the program, with most Rotary club hosts reporting satisfaction with their participation in the program.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the general secretary for his report;
2. agrees to continue RI's participation in the Open World Program in calendar year 2007, subject to the receipt of funding from the Open World Leadership

Center sufficient to cover program expenses, including RI's administrative costs.

163. Youth Exchange Certification

Statement: In decision 108, November 2004, the Board requested the general secretary to develop and implement a Youth Exchange club and district certification program aimed at protecting students from sexual abuse and harassment. After evaluating the certification process thus far, the general secretary recommended the Board consider additional measures to help facilitate the process, including granting provisional status to those districts that show good-faith efforts at meeting the requirements; giving authority to the general secretary to grant waivers to certification requirements where those requirements are in conflict with local laws and customs; and amending the *Rotary Code of Policies* to make the certification process more transparent.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the general secretary for the update on Youth Exchange certification;
2. commends those districts that are working toward meeting certification requirements and those that have met all of the criteria;
3. grants an exception to Board policy to confer provisional certification status to non-certified districts 1360, 2241, 2720, 3460, 3470, 3490, 4670, 6200, and 9250;
4. delegates authority to the general secretary to grant exceptions to Board policy on behalf of the Board until its June 2007 meeting for those non-certified districts that demonstrate good faith efforts toward meeting certification requirements;
5. delegates authority to the general secretary to grant waivers of RI policy to districts that provide acceptable alternatives to RI policy when local laws and customs are in conflict with RI policy, as shown in Appendix J;
6. clarifies Youth Exchange certification elements as shown in Appendix J;
7. authorizes the general secretary, until June 2008, to grant temporary exceptions to the incorporation and insurance requirements in order to address a number of restraints due to regional legal requirements;

8. notes that these decisions are being undertaken to address a number of transitional and technical issues related to the certification process and nothing in these decisions should be construed to be a lack of commitment to the protection of youth and the Youth Exchange certification program.

164. Service Above Self Award Recipient

Statement: The Service Above Self Award Selection Committee considered a nomination that was apparently submitted by the 1 September 2006 deadline, but never arrived at the Secretariat. The committee recommended the Board add this Rotarian to the list of awardees it approved at its November 2006 meeting.

DECISION: The Board

1. approves the additional recipient of the 2006-07 RI Service Above Self Award, as shown in Appendix K, filed only with the official copy of these minutes, thereby bringing the number of recipients to 146;
2. amends accordingly its decision 77, November 2006.

165. Zone 10 Institute Resolution on Intercountry Committees

Statement: Director Balkan presented a resolution to the Board adopted by the Zone 10 institute, seeking to enhance the promotion of intercountry committees within RI through amendments to RI policy and increasing information on the RI Web site and at RI training events.

DECISION: The Board

1. encourages countries throughout the world to participate in and develop new intercountry committees, especially through the use of new communications technology to make relationships between distant countries possible;
2. requests the general secretary to work with Director Balkan and past RI Vice President Serge Gouteyron to develop revisions to *Rotary Code of Policies* section 36.030. based on the guidelines for intercountry committees in Appendix L, to be presented to the Board at its June 2007 meeting.

166. Report of Ad-Hoc Committee to Review RI Conventions

Statement: The Ad-Hoc Committee to Review RI Conventions met on 6–8 December 2006, in Evanston, Illinois, USA and made numerous recommendations to the Board. The committee discussed issues concerning convention site selection, host organization committees, the International Convention Committee, finances, program schedules, and convention promotion, among other topics. President Boyd asked the Board to discuss Board introductions at the convention at this meeting in order to make a change in time for the 2007 RI (Salt Lake City) Convention.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the Ad-Hoc Committee to Review RI Conventions for its work;
2. amends *Rotary Code of Policies* section 57.140.12. as follows:

57.140.12. Formal Introductions

Current and incoming members of the Board, with their spouses, shall be individually introduced during ~~each of the official opening sessions of the~~ RI Convention. Past presidents, with their spouses, shall be individually introduced during one of the plenary sessions of each RI Convention. Current and incoming Trustees of The Rotary Foundation, with their spouses, shall be individually introduced at one of the plenary sessions of each RI Convention.

3. requests the president and president-elect to appoint a committee of directors to work with the general secretary to analyze the financial and operational implications of the suggestions of the committee and to propose revisions to the *Rotary Code of Policies*, for report to the Board at its June 2007 meeting;
4. authorizes a 2006–07 budget variance of US\$5,000 for one meeting of the above committee, to be held in conjunction with the 2007 Council on Legislation;
5. amends *Rotary Code of Policies* section 57.110.1. by removing the requirement that the convention committee chair must be selected from those Rotarians who can speak the language of the host country.

Note: Subsequent to this decision, the president appointed Directors Pathmanand, chair; Kim and Mebus as this committee.

167. 2006 RI (Malmö/Copenhagen) Host Organizing Committee Financial Request

Statement: In decision 252, June 2006, the Board recognized that the 2006 RI (Malmö/Copenhagen) Convention Host Organizing Committee (HOC) had raised considerable funds to meet its anticipated financial loss from the convention, and agreed to use convention reserve funds to reimburse the HOC for any loss up to US\$150,000, contingent upon receipt of their final audited accounts. The HOC's financial statement showed their loss to exceed this amount by approximately US\$17,000. The general secretary noted that the convention reserve account could cover this extra amount.

DECISION: The Board agrees to reimburse additional expenses of the 2006 (Malmö/Copenhagen) Host Organizing Committee in an amount not to exceed US\$17,000.

168. 2008 Youth Preconvention Meetings (Los Angeles)

Statement: After reviewing the 2008 RI (Los Angeles) Convention Committee report, the Board, in decision 80, November 2006, agreed that all preconvention meetings in 2008 shall end by 1200 hours on Saturday, 14 June. This decision has organizational and financial impacts on the International RYLA event that were not originally considered by the Convention Committee and, consequently, were also not considered by the Board. The general secretary recommended exempting the International RYLA event from this decision.

DECISION: The Board

1. agrees to exempt the 2008 International RYLA event from its decision 80, November 2006, and allow the meeting to conclude on Sunday, 15 June 2008;
2. agrees that the 2008 Youth Exchange Officers' Preconvention should remain two days in length, and requests the general secretary to budget and plan for a meeting that begins on the afternoon of Thursday, 12 June 2008;

3. agrees that the 2008 Rotaract Preconvention should remain two days in length, and requests the general secretary to budget and plan for a meeting that begins on the afternoon of Thursday, 12 June 2008;
4. agrees to a budget variance of US\$26,500 to cover the additional costs associated with starting the Youth Exchange Officers' and Rotaract meetings on Thursday afternoon.

169. Status Report on 2010 RI (Montreal) Convention

Statement: In decision 177, February 2006, the Board requested the general secretary to provide a status report on the 2010 RI (Montreal) Convention at this meeting. The general secretary reported on the Canadian government's plan to repeal the goods and services tax (GST) rebate program, which allows organizations that have at least a 75 percent non-Canadian convention enrollment to claim a full rebate of the GST on most goods and services related to the convention, among other tax relief benefits.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the general secretary for the status report on the 2010 RI (Montreal) Convention;
2. agrees that the GST tax rebate system that was in place when RI tentatively selected Montreal was an attractive financial incentive to hold the 2010 convention in Montreal, Canada;
3. notes its concern regarding the repeal of the Canadian GST tax rebate for organizations outside of Canada and supports the convention industry in its efforts to reverse the elimination of the GST tax rebate system;
4. requests the general secretary to report to the Board at its November 2007 meeting regarding the status of the GST tax rebate.

170. Status Report on 2011 RI (New Orleans) Convention

Statement: In decision 178, February 2006, the Board requested the general secretary to provide a status report on the 2011 RI (New Orleans) Convention at this meeting. The general secretary reported that 2011 is a popular year for conventions in New Orleans and, after careful consideration of the limited options, recommended that the convention dates be set for 22–25 May.

The general secretary also reported that the New Orleans Convention and Visitors Bureau had, in its earlier proposal for a 2007 RI convention, included a US\$50,000 financial incentive. Due to the city's reduced tax revenues, post-Hurricane Katrina, this incentive was not included in its 2011 proposal.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the general secretary for his report on the status of the 2011 RI (New Orleans) Convention;
2. agrees that 22–25 May 2011 are acceptable dates for the 2011 RI (New Orleans) Convention;
3. requests the general secretary to report on the status of the 2011 RI (New Orleans) Convention at its February 2008 meeting.

DECISIONS 171–188

Districting Committee Report

The Districting Committee met on 29–31 January 2007 in San Diego, California, USA to discuss redistricting proposals received by the general secretary, and made several recommendations to the Board.

171. Proposed Redistricting of Turkey (Districts 2420, 2430, and 2440)

Statement: The Districting Committee reviewed the proposal of districts 2420, 2430, and 2440 to reorganize into five districts. The committee noted with concern that this plan would result in districts with a significant percentage of both small and young clubs. It also expressed concern over the dangers of creating too many new districts at once.

DECISION: The Board advises districts 2420, 2430, and 2440 to submit a new plan by 1 August 2007 to create only one additional district in Turkey, for review by the Board at its November 2007 meeting.

172. Proposed Redistricting of District 3270 (Pakistan and Afghanistan)

Statement: The Districting Committee reviewed the proposal of District 3270 to reorganize into two new districts. The committee noted with concern the number of both small and young clubs in the proposed new districts. The committee also noted that the district's current size is consistent with the global district average.

DECISION: The Board defers consideration of a proposed redistricting of District 3270 to its June 2007 meeting.

173. District 1360 (Iceland)

Statement: The Districting Committee reviewed the petition of District 1360 to not be consolidated. The committee noted the positive membership trend in the district and recommended that the Board encourage the district to continue in its membership retention and growth plans.

DECISION: The Board

1. encourages District 1360 (Iceland) to continue its efforts to increase membership and the number of clubs in the district;
2. requests the general secretary to report on the progress of growth in District 1360 at the Board's January 2008 meeting.

174. District 2270 (Norway)

Statement: The Districting Committee noted with concern that District 2270 has declined in membership over the past three years, and is now below the district minimum size.

DECISION: The Board

1. advises District 2270 (Norway) that the district must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the district, effective 1 July 2009;
2. requests the general secretary to report on the status of District 2270 at the Board's January 2008 meeting.

175. Districts 9250, 9270, 9300, and 9320 (South Africa)

Statement: The Districting Committee noted with concern the declining membership of District 9300, which is now below the district minimum size. The committee noted that districts 9270 and 9320 are just slightly above the district size minimum, and that their membership has also been declining. The committee encouraged the districts 9270, 9320, and 9300 to develop a consolidation plan. The committee further

noted with concern that District 9250 is below the district minimum size.

DECISION: The Board

1. requests the governor and governor-elect of District 9300 (South Africa) to develop a plan to consolidate with districts 9270 and 9320 by 1 August 2007, for consideration at the Board's November 2007 meeting;
2. advises District 9300 that should it fail to submit a consolidation plan by the deadline, the Board will consolidate the district, effective 1 July 2009;
3. advises the leadership in districts 9270 and 9320 of the Board's concern over their decreasing membership, and offers its support to the clubs in the districts should they accept a consolidation plan with District 9300;
4. advises the governor and governor-elect of District 9250 (South Africa) that the district must meet the minimum size for districts of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the district, effective 1 July 2009;
5. requests the general secretary to report on the status of South African districts 9250, 9270, 9300, and 9320 to the Board at its January 2008 meeting.

176. Districts 9120 and 9130 (Nigeria)

Statement: The Districting Committee considered two consolidation proposals from districts 9120 and 9130 and agreed the districts should be consolidated into one new district.

DECISION: The Board agrees to regroup the clubs in Districts 9120 and 9130 into one new district, effective 1 July 2009 as follows:

District 9125 – Zone 10A - Nigeria: The states of Adamawa, Bauchi, Benue, Borno, Ekiti, Gombe, Jigawa, Kaduna, Kano, Katsina, Kebbi, Kogi, Kwara, Niger, Ondo, Osun, Oyo, Plateau, Sokoto, Taraba, Yobe, and Zamfara, and the Federal Capital Territory

177. Districts 3850 and 3870 (The Philippines)

Statement: The Districting Committee noted that District 3870 was unlikely to achieve significant

membership growth in the near future and recommended the district consolidate with neighboring District 3850, with which it had originally been joined.

DECISION: The Board

1. requests the governor and governor-elect of District 3870 to meet with the leadership of District 3850 to develop a plan by 1 August 2007 to merge these two districts, effective 1 July 2008, for consideration by the Board at its November 2007 meeting;
2. advises the leadership in District 3850 of the Board's concern over its decreasing membership, and offers support to the clubs in the district in accepting a consolidation plan with District 3870.

178. Districts 9450, 9460, and 9470 (Australia)

Statement: The Districting Committee reviewed a report from the governors-elect of districts 9450, 9460, and 9470 regarding membership trends in western Australia. The committee noted with concern the declining membership trends in these districts and offered support to the clubs in the district should they accept a consolidation plan.

DECISION: The Board

1. advises the governor and governor-elect of District 9470 (Australia) that the district must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the district, effective 1 July 2009;
2. advises the leadership of districts 9450 and 9460 of the Board's concern over their declining membership, and advises them that the Board will provide support to clubs in the districts should they develop a consolidation plan with District 9470;
3. requests the general secretary to report on the status of districts 9450, 9460, and 9470 to the Board at its January 2008 meeting.

179. Districts 4150, 4160, 4190 (Mexico)

Statement: The Districting Committee noted with concern the declining membership trends in districts 4150 and 4160 and further agreed that clubs in District 4190 would be best served if they were redistricted into their original districts 4130, 4180, and 4200.

DECISION: The Board

1. advises the governors and governors-elect of districts 4150 and 4160 that the districts must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the districts, effective 1 July 2009;
2. agrees to regroup the clubs in Districts 4190 into three existing districts, effective 1 July 2009, as follows:

District 4130 – Zone 21A: MEXICO, that portion including the states of NUEVO LEON, TAMAULIPAS, SAN LUIS POTOSI, and VERACRUZ, north of latitude 22°, and the municipalities and surrounding areas of ALAMO, CERRO AZUL, MARTINEZ DE LA TORRE, PAPANTLA, POZA RICA, TLAPACOYAN, and TUXPAM, and the subdivision of ROMALOS SAENZ in STARR COUNTY, TEXAS, U.S.A.

District 4180 – Zone 21A: MEXICO, that portion including the states of TLAXCALA, PUEBLA, MORELOS, GUERRERO, and in the state of VERACRUZ the municipalities and surrounding areas of Boca del Rio, Ciudad Mendoza, Coatepec, Cordoba, Fortin de las Flores, Huatusco, Nogales, Orizaba, Veracruz, and Xalapa.

District 4200 – Zone 21A: MEXICO, that portion including the states of QUINTANA ROO, YUCATAN, CAMPECHE, CHIAPAS, TABASCO, OAXACA, and in the state of Veracruz the municipalities and surrounding areas of Acayucan, Alvarado, Catemaco, Coatzacoalcos, Cosamaloapan, Minatitlan, San Andres Tuxtla, Tlacotalpan, and Tuxtepec;

3. requests the general secretary to report on the status of districts 4150 and 4160 to the Board at its January 2008 meeting.

180. Districts 4270, 4280, 4290 (Colombia)

Statement: The Districting Committee noted with concern the declining membership trends in districts 4280 and 4290 and recommended the districts develop a consolidation plan with District 4270, with the majority of clubs in District 4280 moving to District 4290.

DECISION: The Board

1. advises the governors and governors-elect of districts 4280 and 4290 that the districts must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the districts, effective 1 July 2009;
2. advises the leadership in District 4270 that the Board will support the clubs in the district should they accept a consolidation plan with districts 4280 and 4290;
3. requests the general secretary to report on the status of districts 4280 and 4290 to the Board at its January 2008 meeting.

181. Districts 4310, 4390, 4410, 4520, 4550, 4580, 4620, 4651, 4660, 4720, 4740, and 4750 (Brazil)

Statement: The Districting Committee noted with concern the declining membership trends of districts 4310, 4550, 4620, 4651, 4660, 4720, and 4750, and advised that the districts must take steps to reach the district minimum size. To meet the district minimum size, the committee further requested the Board to consolidate districts 4410 and 4580. The committee also noted the positive membership growth trends in districts 4390, 4520, and 4740, but agreed these districts should continue to be monitored.

DECISION: The Board

1. advises the governors and governor-elects of districts 4310, 4550, 4620, 4651, and 4750 that the districts must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the districts, effective 1 July 2009;
2. notes that districts 4390, 4520, and 4740 have reached the district minimums but advises that the districts will continue to be monitored by the Districting Committee until they consistently remain above the minimum numbers;
3. advises the governor, governor-elect and governor-nominee of districts 4660 and 4720 that their districts have fallen below the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians and that they should reach the minimums by 31 December 2008, or the Board will take action to consolidate the districts effective 1 July 2010;

4. agrees to regroup the clubs in Brazilian districts 4410 (37 clubs and 675 Rotarians) and 4580 (43 clubs and 991 Rotarians) into one new district, effective 1 July 2009, as follows:

District 4585: Zone 20B - Brazil – The states of Espírito Santo and Minas Gerais (that portion south of latitude 20° and East of longitude 44°20');

5. requests the general secretary to report on the status of the districts in points 1, 2, and 3 above at its January 2008 meeting.

182. Districts 4350 and 4360 (Chile)

Statement: The Districting Committee noted the positive membership growth in District 4350, but agreed that the district should continue to be monitored. The committee further noted with concern the declining membership trend in District 4360 and recommended a consolidation plan with District 4340.

DECISION: The Board

1. acknowledges the positive membership trends in District 4350 (Chile) and advises the district that the Districting Committee will continue to monitor its status to ensure that the numbers remain consistently above the minimums;
2. advises the governor and governor-elect of District 4360 (Chile) that the district must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the district, effective 1 July 2009;
3. requests the general secretary to report on the status of districts 4350 and 4360 at its January 2008 meeting.

183. Districts 4300, 4450, and 4460 (Peru)

Statement: The committee noted with concern the declining membership trend in districts 4300, 4450, and 4460, and advised that the districts must take steps to meet the district minimum size.

DECISION: The Board advises the governors and governor-elects of districts 4300, 4450, and 4460, that the districts must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the districts, effective 1 July 2009.

184. District 4970 (Uruguay)

Statement: The Districting Committee noted with concern the declining membership trend in District 4970 and recommended a consolidation plan with District 4980.

DECISION: The Board

1. advises the governor and governor-elect of District 4970 (Uruguay) that the district must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the district, effective 1 July 2009;
2. request the general secretary to report on the status of District 4970 at the January 2008 Board meeting.

185. District 4690 (Bolivia)

Statement: The Districting Committee noted the positive growth in District 4690, noted that the district is still below the district minimum size, and advised that the district must take steps to meet the minimum district size.

DECISION: The Board notes the positive growth trends in District 4690 and advises the district leadership that the district must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will consolidate the district, effective 1 July 2009.

186. District 4370 and 4380 (Venezuela)

Statement: The Districting Committee acknowledged District 4370 for reaching the district minimum size, but advised that the district will continue to be monitored. The committee further noted the positive membership trend in District 4380 and advised that the district must continue to take steps to reach the district minimum size.

DECISION: The Board

1. acknowledges District 4370 for reaching the district minimums and advises that the Districting Committee will continue to monitor the district to ensure that its numbers remain consistently above the minimums;
2. acknowledges the leadership in District 4380 for its positive membership trend over the last three years and advises them that the district must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by

31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the district, effective 1 July 2009;

3. requests the general secretary to report on the status of districts 4370 and 4380 at the January 2008 Board meeting.

187. Districts 4790, 4800, 4810, 4820, 4830, 4840, 4850, 4860, 4870, 4900, and 4930 (Argentina)

Statement: The Districting Committee reviewed districting proposals submitted by districts in Argentina and Director Speroni, and noted with concern the number of districts below the district minimum size. While acknowledging the redistricting challenges faced by districts in Argentina, the committee recommended that the leadership in districts 4790, 4800, 4810, 4820, 4830, 4840, 4850, 4860, 4870, 4900, 4910, and 4930 submit a country consolidation plan whereby each newly formed district would meet the district minimum size. Noting that District 4690 (Bolivia) is below the district minimum size, the committee advised the district to consider consolidating with District 4800 (Argentina).

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks Director Speroni for his expertise and facilitation to develop an overall consolidation plan for redistricting Argentina;
2. requests the governors and governors-elect in districts 4820, 4850, 4900, and 4910 to submit by 1 April 2007 a consolidation plan to become three districts, effective 1 July 2009, for report to the Board at its June 2007 meeting;
3. advises the leadership in districts 4820, 4850, 4900, and 4910 that if they fail to submit a consolidation plan by the deadline, the Board will consolidate the districts according to its own plan, effective 1 July 2009;
4. advises the leadership in District 4910 that the Board will support the clubs in the district should they accept a consolidation plan with districts 4820, 4850, and 4900;
5. advises the governors and governors-elect in districts 4790, 4800, 4810, 4830, 4840, 4860, 4870, and 4930 that the districts must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the districts, effective 1 July 2009;

6. requests the general secretary to report on the status of the districts noted in point 5 of this decision at its January 2008 meeting;
7. requests the governor and governor-elect of District 4690 (Bolivia), noting they are just below the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians, to consider a consolidation plan with District 4800 (Argentina);
8. requests the governors and governors-elect of districts 4930 and 4920 (Argentina) to consult with the clubs in their districts to consider a consolidation plan that would transfer clubs in district 4920 from the regions of Las Pampas and Southwestern Buenos Aires to district 4930, should each district not reach the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007.

188. District 7370 (United States)

Statement: The Districting Committee noted with concern the negative membership trend in District 7370 and advised the district to take steps to reach the district minimum size.

DECISION: The Board advises the leadership in District 7370 (USA) that the district must meet the minimum size of 30 clubs and 1,000 Rotarians by 31 December 2007, or the Board will take action to consolidate the district, effective 1 July 2009.

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189. Modification of District Boundary Descriptions

Statement: The boundary descriptions of districts 9270 (South Africa) and 9680 (Australia) were set in 1979. Since then, changes have occurred in the names of provinces, administrative divisions, and street names used in the official descriptions of the districts. The general secretary recommended these boundary descriptions be updated, and further requested the Board to delegate authority to the general secretary to make such administrative changes to district boundary descriptions when it has no effect on the Board-approved district borders.

DECISION: The Board

1. amends the boundary description of District 9270 (South Africa), so that it reads as follows:

District 9270 – Zone 10: SOUTH AFRICA – In the Eastern Cape the magisterial districts of Butterworth and Mthatha; in Mpumalanga the magisterial district of Piet Retief; and the province of KwaZulu-Natal;

2. amends the boundary description of District 9680 (Australia), so that it reads as follows:

District 9680 – Zone 8: AUSTRALIA – That portion including New South Wales north of the southern shores of Port Jackson, Parramatta River, James Ruse Drive, Kissing Point Road, Bettington Road, Statham Avenue to North Rocks Road, Hampden Street, Woodbury Street, Panora Avenue, from the junction of Panora Avenue Woodbury Street, around the watercourse to a point opposite the eastern end of Rutherglen Road thence along Darling Mills Creek, Campbell Street, Hammers Road, Old Windsor Road, Windsor Road, Boundary Road, Cattai Ridge Road, Cattai Creek, Hawkesbury River to Lower Portland, due north to south latitude 33 degrees 7 minutes 30 seconds, along south latitude 33 degrees 7 minutes 30 seconds to South Pacific Ocean;

3. authorizes the general secretary, acting on behalf of the Board, to approve all future district boundary description changes where the district boundaries remain the same.

190. Extension Committee Report: Extension to South Pacific Islands

Statement: The governor of District 9920 (American Samoa, Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, New Zealand, Tonga) requested the Extension Committee to consider Rotary extension to the island of Kiribati, the Marshall Islands, and Territory of the Wallis and Fortuna Islands. The committee met via correspondence to discuss extension to this area and agreed the islands meet extension requirements. The general secretary noted the likely challenges to opening these islands to Rotary extension.

DECISION: The Board defers consideration of this matter to its June 2007 meeting, pending receipt of additional information from the general secretary.

191. Possible Extension to Libya

Statement: The Board opened Libya to extension in 1962. No Rotary clubs have since been formed in that

country. President Boyd, in discussion with Director Balkan, agreed that circumstances were now good to conduct an exploratory visit to Libya to assess the viability of forming Rotary clubs in Libya.

DECISION: The Board

1. requests Director Balkan to visit Libya to explore Rotary extension possibilities to that country;
2. authorizes a 2006-07 budget variance of US\$2,850 to cover the cost of this exploratory visit to Libya.

192. Rotary in China

Statement: Director de St. Dalmas requested a status report from the Special Representative to China on the activities of Rotary in China in 2006.

DECISION: The Board defers consideration of this matter to its June 2007 meeting.

193. Extension of Training Subsidy for Districts 1420 and 1460

Statement: Districts that comprise multiple countries and languages, encompass a large geographical area, and have a large number of clubs may be eligible to receive supplemental funding to support the training of incoming presidents and assistant governors. In decision 245, March 2005, the Board approved this training subsidy for districts 1420 and 1460 through June 2007. Both districts had submitted an application to continue receiving this subsidy.

DECISION: The Board

1. agrees to continue providing a training subsidy to districts 1420 (Estonia, Finland) and 1460 (Denmark, Lithuania) to support the training of incoming club presidents and assistant governors;
2. allocates US\$40,550 to the 2007–08 budget, US\$41,500 to the 2008–09 budget, and US\$42,550 to the 2009–10 budget for this purpose.

DECISIONS 194–195

Leadership Development and Training Committee

The Leadership Development and Training Committee met on 18–19 September 2006, in Evanston, Illinois, USA, and made several recommendations to the Board’s November meeting. At that meeting, the Board

deferred consideration of two committee recommendations to this meeting.

194. Training for Governors-elect

Statement: In decision 106, November 2006, the Board considered recommendations of the Leadership Development and Training Committee to shorten both GETS and the Rotary zone institute, and to provide more detailed “hands-on” guidance for governors-elect. The Board deferred a decision on these recommendations until this meeting.

DECISION: The Board

1. requests the 2007–08 Leadership Development and Training Committee to review the curriculum and training for the governors-elect in order to optimize the time in training for participants;
2. requests the 2007–08 Leadership Development and Training Committee to consider a change to the time requirements for Board topics at a Rotary Zone Institute.

195. Attendance at Rotary Zone Institutes

Statement: In decision 106, November 2006, the Board considered a recommendation of the Leadership Development and Training Committee to open Rotary institutes to any interested Rotarian. The Board deferred consideration of this matter to this meeting.

DECISION: The Board does not agree that Rotary zone institutes shall be open to all Rotarians.

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196. Discussion Topics for Rotary Zone Institutes in 2007–08

Statement: The Board annually approves a list of topics recommended by the president-elect for use by conveners in developing the agendas for their respective institutes. In decision 117, October 2003, the Board limited the number of institute discussion topics to no more than three. President-elect Wilkinson recommended that the Board increase the number to four.

DECISION: The Board

1. amends *Rotary Code of Policies* section 60.050. to increase the number of recommended institute topics to four as follows:

60.050.

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4. The Board will annually recommend no more than ~~three~~ four institute discussion topics for consideration by each institute that year, on the understanding that the convener may add other topics to meet the needs and desires of their zones; but conveners shall ensure that the institutes deal accurately and comprehensively with the topics recommended by the Board;
2. approves the following topics for discussion at the 2007–08 Rotary zone institutes:
 - a. PolioPlus Status Report
 - b. 2007–08 Presidential Emphases, Resource Groups, and Citation
 - c. Membership
 - d. Youth Service

197. 2007–08 North American Presidential Membership Conferences

Statement: President-elect Wilkinson reported on his plans to conduct seven conferences in North America in July and August 2007, for the purpose of promoting membership development within this region.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the president-elect for his plans to schedule seven membership development conferences in North America in July and August 2007;
2. agrees that the conferences shall be organized at the local level, with expenses to be offset by registration fees;
3. requests the general secretary to allocate US\$50,000 in the 2007–08 budget for the attendance of the RI 2007-08 Membership Committee chair and one staff member, and to cover general communication, video, and support material expenses for all seven conferences.

198. Membership Recognition Program

Statement: To address concerns over the number of Rotary clubs with membership below the charter requirement of 20 members, the Board, in decision 256, June 2006, requested the general secretary to develop a recognition program to improve membership retention

and development in small clubs, for report to the Board at this meeting.

DECISION: The Board

1. approves the recommended *Recognition for Smaller Club Member Growth* program as outlined in Appendix M, for implementation 1 July 2007;
2. allocates US\$2,000 to the 2007–08 budget for this purpose;
3. requests the general secretary to inform the appropriate district governors and clubs of the new recognition program.

199. Qualifications for E-Club Membership

Statement: In decision 260, June 2006, the Board requested the E-Clubs Pilot Project Committee to develop a methodology to be used by e-clubs in determining the qualification for membership of potential new members, for report to the Board at this meeting. The committee noted nine of the ten e-clubs follow bylaws identical to the *Recommended Rotary Club Bylaws* and, therefore, had no further recommendations. Director de St. Dalmas suggested a method for confirming qualifications for e-club membership.

DECISION: The Board

1. thanks the e-club Pilot Project Committee for its report on e-club membership qualifications;
2. adopts the following procedures for confirming qualifications for e-club membership:
 - a. where a prospective member of an e-club was previously a Rotarian, the e-club shall request confirmation from the prospective member's previous club, that the applicant was a Rotarian in good standing on termination of his/her membership in that club;
 - b. where the prospective member of an e-club was not previously a Rotarian, the e-club shall request confirmation from two Rotarians (names to be provided by the prospective member), in the applicant's community, that the applicant is a person of good standing.

200. New Rotary Clubs Pilot Project

Statement: The New Models for Rotary Clubs pilot project began on 1 July 2001, and will continue through 30 June 2007. The New Models for Rotary Clubs Committee noted that a major finding of this project was the positive influence attendance flexibility had on membership age and retention, service projects, fellowship, and communications with clubs. As a result, the Board considered establishing a new pilot project to explore the effects of club meeting frequency on membership development. The committee also recommended transferring Rotary E-club One from the expiring New Models pilot project to the ongoing E-Club pilot project to allow the club to continue and contribute to that project.

DECISION: The Board

1. transfers Rotary E-club One from participation in the New Models Pilot Project to the E-club pilot project;
2. establishes a new pilot project to explore the effects of club meeting frequency on membership development and related statistics, effective 1 July 2007 to 1 July 2013, as outlined in Appendix N;
3. requests the general secretary to invite Rotary clubs to participate in this new pilot project, including those clubs that participated in the new model pilot.

201. Multidistrict Administrative Groups

Statement: In decision 112, November 2006, the Board requested the general secretary to follow up with four multidistrict administrative groups that failed to provide complete documentation for the triennial review and report on their status at this meeting. For administrative reasons, each of these groups had notified the general secretary that they needed more time to submit their final reports.

DECISION: The Board requests the general secretary to report on the status of the multidistrict administrative groups COSEA (Governor's Council of Southern and East Africa), Finlands Rotary, Rotary Publications Committee in Taiwan, and Stichting Rotary Administratie Nederland at its June 2007 meeting.

DECISIONS 202—204

Communications Committee Report

The Communications Committee met on 13–14 December 2006, in Evanston, Illinois, USA, and made several recommendation to the Board.

202. Status and Future of the RI Web Site

Statement: The Communications Committee received a report on the general secretary's redesign of the RI Web site. The committee noted the importance for this redesign to meet the different needs of Rotarian and non-Rotarian visitors, and to get Rotary's message out to as many people as possible through a positive online experience. The committee discussed ways to achieve this, and agreed that usability testing would help to better strategize the site's redesign and ensure that it meets the needs of Rotarians.

DECISION: The Board looks with favor on conducting usability testing on www.rotary.org, and requests the general secretary to budget US\$40,000 for such testing in 2007–08.

203. Status of Rotary Regional Magazines

Statement: The Communications Committee reviewed updates on three Rotary regional magazines and recommended granting certification to one, and provisional status to the others. The committee also agreed that provisional status should begin with the date of first publication.

DECISION: The Board

1. amends *Rotary Code of Policies* section 51.020.9. as follows:

51.020.9. Provisional Status for Rotary Regional Magazines

If a Rotary regional magazine serves a specific language community located within only one district but shows potential for growth to additional districts, it may apply for a two-year provisional status with full benefits of certification, upon entering into an agreement with RI. Such provisional status shall begin on the date of first publication of the regional magazine.

2. grants certified status to Associazione dei Distretti Italiani Del Rotary International to publish the Italian Rotary magazine, subject to confirmation of

the dissolution of ICR and the lapse in ICR's ownership of the name;

3. grants provisional status to *Glos Rotary-Rotarianin* as the Rotary regional magazine for Belarus, Poland, and Ukraine, beginning with publication of the first issue in August 2006;
4. grants provisional status to *Rotary Israel*, beginning with the publication of the first issue in July 2006.

204. Mandated Content for Print and Electronic Communications

Statement: The Communications Committee noted that the number of visitors to the Rotary Web site is significantly greater than the number of readers of *The Rotarian*, and agreed that while the Web site is a major vehicle for communicating Rotary's messages, it may become *the* main vehicle within several years. The committee, therefore, recommended publishing the names of Service Above Self Award winners on the RI Web site, and to authorize the general secretary to determine the most appropriate communications vehicle for reporting future Rotary information.

DECISION: The Board

1. recognizing that the RI Web site is increasingly becoming a key communications vehicle for Rotary by providing more timely communication than either *Rotary World* or *The Rotarian*, amends its decision 77, November 2006, as follows:

1. approves the 145 recipients of the 2006-07 RI Service Above Self Award, as shown in Appendix J, filed only with the official copy of these minutes;
2. reconfirms that the selection results shall be kept confidential until publication on the RI Web site after 1 July, and in the July or August 2007 print issue of *The Rotarian*, or after presentations of the awards have been made;
3. agrees that nominations may not be submitted by family members and amends *Rotary Code of Policies* section 44.030. as follows:

44.030. Service Above Self Award

The purpose of this award is to recognize exemplary humanitarian service in any form and at any level by those who might otherwise go unrecognized. Candidates shall be

considered based solely on the humanitarian Rotary services they have rendered. Personal financial contributions to Rotary, its Foundation or any individual project are not relevant considerations for this award. Names of the winners of the award shall be included ~~in the Rotary World Magazine Press and~~ on the RI Web site.

2. authorizes the general secretary to determine the most appropriate communications vehicle for reporting important Rotary information in a timely and relevant manner.

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205. Magazine Subscription Requirements

Statement: *Rotary Code of Policies* section 31.030.11. exempts clubs from subscription to *The Rotarian* or regional magazine if the members are not literate in the language of the available magazine. Since the Board last approved a list of countries exempt from magazine subscription requirements in 1998, several new regional magazines were created to support many of these exempt countries. Also, RI had extended to additional countries that were not serviced by a regional magazine. The general secretary noted there may be other non-linguistic reasons for excusing a country from the magazine subscription requirement, but the RI Bylaws offer no flexibility on this matter at this time.

DECISION: The Board

1. approves the list of countries exempted from magazine subscription as follows:

Afghanistan	Indonesia	Montenegro
Albania	Kazakhstan	Romania
Azerbaijan	Kosovo	Russia
Bosnia-	Kyrgyzstan	Serbia
Herzegovina	Latvia	Slovenia
Cambodia	Lithuania	Tajikistan
Croatia	Macedonia,	Turkmenistan
Estonia	FYR of	Uzbekistan
Greece	Moldova	
Hungary	Mongolia	

2. requests the general secretary to
 - a. provide the RI Board with a status report on countries exempted from magazine subscriptions every three years;

- b. work with the Communications Committee to consider drafting legislation for possible submission to the 2010 Council regarding exceptions to the official magazine subscription requirement for reasons other than linguistic (RI Bylaws section 20.030.2.), for report to the Board at its January 2008 meeting;
- c. work with the Communications Committee to identify ways to provide Rotary information to clubs in countries exempted from magazine subscription.

206. Report on Public Relations Grants

Statement: In 2005, the Public Relations division initiated a public relations grants project intended to motivate clubs to develop their own projects to increase awareness of the good works of Rotary and to promote membership growth. Any club was eligible to apply for up to US\$3,000 to fund local public relations efforts. The pilot project had far-exceeded expectations, with 3,247 applications submitted to the Secretariat thus far in 2006-07. While the general secretary had initially approved 776 applications, a second group of 590 worthy applications required an additional US\$750,000 in funding this year. Recognizing the significant free media exposure generated with these projects, the general secretary reported that additional applications still pending would be budgeted for funding in 2007-08.

DECISION: The Board

1. approves a 2006-07 budget variance of US\$750,000 for funding the 2006-07 public relations grants;
2. expresses its appreciation to the general secretary for the efforts of the public relations staff in developing this public relations grant program and reviewing the grant applications;
3. requests, at the earliest possible date, a list of all recipients of public relations grants in 2006-07.

207. Status of Investments

Statement: *Rotary Code of Policies* section 69.010.15. requires the general secretary to report on the status of RI investments at each Board meeting.

DECISION: The Board receives the “Flash” investment report for November 2006.

DECISIONS 208–210 Audit Committee Report

The Audit Committee met on 5–6 February 2007, in Evanston, Illinois, USA and made several recommendations to the Board.

208. Appointment and Evaluation of Independent Auditor

Statement: RI has engaged the audit firm Deloitte & Touche for several years. Periodically, the general secretary evaluates this relationship and requests competitive proposals from other audit firms. In decision 39, November 2006, the Board requested the general secretary to recommend a procedure that would ensure that the Foundation Trustees are allowed input prior to the selection of RI’s external auditors by the Board.

DECISION: The Board

1. receives the report of the Audit Committee of the Board;
2. thanks the Audit Committee for the report on the appointment and evaluation of the independent auditor;
3. amends *Rotary Code of Policies* section 31.110.3., External Audit Process, as follows:

“The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors, in coordination with the general secretary shall implement the guidelines as shown in Exhibit G-3-b to evaluate the audit process annually and seek audit bids when appropriate.”;

4. requests the Trustees to amend section 21.020. of *The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies* as follows:

21.020. Independent Audits

The trustee chairman and TRF Finance Committee should be consulted regarding decisions of the RI Board relating to an independent auditor for the Foundation. ~~Such discussions also should be reviewed in advance by the Joint Committee of Directors and the Trustees.~~

209. Possible Extension of Deloitte & Touche Audit Services for 2008, 2009, 2010

Statement: At its October 2006 meeting with Deloitte & Touche, the Audit Committee requested the firm to

submit a proposal for the extension of the relationship between RI and Deloitte & Touche which, under current terms, expires December 2007.

DECISION: The Board

1. acknowledges the Audit Committee's receipt and review of Deloitte and Touche's proposal to extend the relationship as the independent auditor for Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation for fiscal years 2008, 2009, and 2010;
2. requests the general secretary to review the proposal with the Trustee Chairman and TRF Finance Committee for comments and feedback;
3. requests the general secretary to further study the proposal and advise the Audit Committee, the Trustee Chairman, and TRF Finance Committee Chair by no later than 15 April 2007 via correspondence;
4. requests the general secretary to communicate with Deloitte regarding the outcome of the review and negotiate a proposal to submit to the Audit Committee of the Board at its June 2007 meeting.

210. Deloitte & Touche's Proposed Fee Increases to Audit RI Retirement and 401(k) Plans

Statement: At its October 2006 meeting, the Audit Committee reviewed a Deloitte & Touche proposal to increase the fees for the audits of RI's retirement and 401(k) plans. The committee requested Deloitte & Touche to provide additional support for the proposed increase and appointed members of the committee to review their revised proposal for report at the committee's February 2007 meeting.

DECISION: The Board

1. modifies the intent of its decision 293, June 2004, and agrees not to appoint Deloitte & Touche for the audit of the 401(k) Plan for the plan year ending 31 December 2006, and the audit of the RI Retirement Plan for the plan year ending 30 June 2007;
2. requests the general secretary to negotiate audits of these plans on a competitive bid basis and in consultation with the Audit Committee, for report to the Board at its June 2007 meeting;

3. notes an increase in fees from US\$10,781 to US\$14,375 to be paid for the audit of the Retirement Plan for the plan year ending 30 June 2006;
4. agrees not to accept increased fees for the audit of the 401(k) Plan for the plan year ending 31 December 2005.

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211. General Surplus Fund

Statement: In decision 285, June 2006, the Board agreed to submit legislation to the 2007 Council on Legislation that would revise the level of the general surplus fund to a minimum of 95% of the highest level of annual expenditures during the previous three years. In decision 60, November 2006, the Board agreed the level could be further reduced to 85%. Treasurer Goldberg presented a proposal to further reduce the general surplus fund percentage to 50%. The Finance Committee reviewed the various options and recommended the Board affirm its decision 60, November 2006.

DECISION: The Board affirms its decision 60, November 2006, which proposes legislation to the 2007 Council on Legislation that would reduce the general surplus fund from 100% to 85% of the highest level of annual expenditures during the previous three years.

212. Payment of Per Capita Dues to RI in 2007-08 by Clubs in RIBI

Statement: RI Bylaws section 17.030.5. provides that the Board shall determine annually the amount of per capita dues paid each half year by Rotary clubs in Great Britain and Ireland to be retained by RI. This amount is determined on the basis of expenditures RI made on behalf of clubs in Great Britain and Ireland in the year immediately preceding that in which the determination is made.

DECISION: The Board agrees, on the basis of 2005-06 RI expenditures made on behalf of the clubs in Great Britain and Ireland, including their required contribution towards the unrestricted net assets of RI, that the amount of US\$11.45 of the per capita dues paid each half year by clubs in Great Britain and Ireland shall be retained by RI for the fiscal year beginning 1 July 2007.

213. RI Funds on Deposit in Restricted Currency Countries

Statement: Board policy requires the general secretary to provide an annual statement regarding RI funds on deposit in restricted currency countries. A report was provided to the Board at this meeting.

DECISION: The Board defers consideration of this matter to its June 2007 meeting.

214. RI World Headquarters Retirement Benefits

Statement: In August 2006, the general secretary engaged the human resources services firm, Towers Perrin, to review RI's current retirement benefits plan and to identify and evaluate retirement benefit options consistent with RI's objectives. In decision 125, November 2006, the Board requested the general secretary and the Executive Committee, acting as the personnel committee of the Board, to conduct further study of RI's retirement benefits as identified in the Towers Perrin report, for report to the Board at this meeting.

DECISION: The Board

1. receives the report on RI World Headquarters retirement benefits;
2. agrees to maintain the Rotary International Retirement Plan (defined benefit plan) for all employees with a hire date prior to 1 January 2008;
3. agrees to terminate admission to the Rotary International Retirement Plan (defined benefit plan) for employees with a hire date after 31 December 2007;
4. requests the general secretary to implement a points-based defined contribution plan for all employees with a hire date after 31 December 2007;
5. requests the general secretary to implement a safe harbor match to the Rotary International 401(k) Plan effective 1 January 2008, increasing the employer match from 3.0% to 3.5% of employee contributions, in order to pass discrimination testing;
6. requests the general secretary to inform the Trustees of this plan and of its impact on their allocation payment to RI.

215. Review of 2006-07 RI Budget Adjustments and Approved Variances

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

DECISION: The Board

1. notes the financial impact of its decisions on fiscal year 2006-07, detailed in Appendix O, totaling US\$774,900 of budget variances;
2. notes that the 2006-07 RI budget summarized in Appendix O remains unchanged.

Adjournment

The foregoing is a true record of the proceedings of the February 2007 meeting of the Board of Directors of Rotary International.

William B. Boyd
President

Alice Baehler
Secretary of the Meeting

Attest:

Ed Futa
General Secretary

APPENDIX A

RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE PRESIDENT (Decision 130)

Statement: President Boyd reported that, under authorization granted to him by statute and/or by the Board to act on its behalf, he had made the following decisions during the period 29 September 2006 through 5 January 2007.

1. Filling of Temporary Vacancy in Office of 2006–07 Governor, District 2730

Statement: District 2730 (Japan) reported that Governor Kokushun Tominaga was temporarily unable to perform the duties of the office because of health reasons. A recommendation was made by 2006-07 Governor Tominaga to have Past District Governor Taira Kikuchi, a member of the Rotary Club of Miyazaki-Nishi, Miyazaki, Japan, appointed as acting governor during his absence. Past Governor Kikuchi indicated he was willing to perform this duty. The Council of Past Governors in District 2730 concurred with this recommendation.

DECISION: The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 6.120.2., appoints Past District Governor Taira Kikuchi of the Rotary Club of Miyazaki-Nishi, Miyazaki, Japan, to be acting governor of District 2730, assuming all of the powers and privileges of the office, until such time as District Governor Kokushun Tominaga is able to resume office or until his term expires, whichever is earlier.

2. Filling of Vacancy in Office of 2007–08 Governor, District 4380

Statement: District 4380 (Venezuela) reported that District Governor-elect Lisbeth Parra de Cárdenas was unable to perform the duties of the office because of her spouse's health concerns. A recommendation was made by the Council of Past Governors in District 4380 to have 2006-07 Governor José Santiago Hernández Quintana, a member of the Rotary Club of Valencia Industrial, elected as 2007-08 Governor. Director Speroni was consulted on this matter. Governor Quintana indicated that he was willing to perform this duty.

DECISION: The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 6.120.1. and *Rotary Code of Policies* section 27.030.1., elects Rotarian José Santiago Hernández Quintana of the Rotary Club of Valencia Industrial, to serve as governor

of District 4380 in 2007-08, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

3. Filling of Vacancy in Office of 2007–08 Governor, District 5830

Statement: District 5830 (USA) reported that District Governor-elect Steve Brown was unable to perform the duties of the office for health concerns. A recommendation was made by 2006-07 Governor John Henson to have District Governor-nominee John Jetter, a member of the Rotary Club of Longview (Greggton), Texas, USA, elected as 2007-08 Governor. Director Mebus was consulted on this matter. Governor-nominee Jetter indicated that he was willing to perform this duty.

DECISION: The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 6.120.1 and *Rotary Code of Policies* section 27.030.1., elects Rotarian John Jetter of the Rotary Club of Longview (Greggton), Texas, USA, to serve as governor of District 5830 in 2007-08, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

4. Filling of Vacancy in Office of 2007–08 Governor, District 6220

Statement: District 6220 (USA) reported that District Governor-elect Hurley Wilbourne was unable to perform the duties of the office because of business and personal issues that could not be resolved in a timely manner. A recommendation was made by 2006-07 Governor Susan Morris to have District Governor-nominee Maynard Bowers, a member of the Rotary Club of Marquette (Breakfast), Michigan, USA, elected as 2007-08 Governor. Director Frank Goldberg was consulted on this matter. Governor-nominee Bowers indicated that he was willing to perform this duty.

DECISION: The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 6.120.1. and *Rotary Code of Policies* section 27.030.1., elects Rotarian Maynard Bowers of the Rotary Club of Marquette (Breakfast), Michigan, USA, to serve as governor of District 6220 in 2007-08, assuming all the powers and privileges of the office.

5. Modification of District Boundaries—Transfer of a Single Club

Statement: The Rotary Club of Gelibolu, Turkey, requested a transfer from District 2440 to District 2420, both in Zone 10. The club stated the following reasons in support of its request: The Rotary Club Gelibolu is separated from its present District by the Dardanelles Strait. By moving to District 2420, the club would have neighboring clubs that are easily reachable by road. The Gelibolu peninsula has trade and financial connections with Istanbul and other nearby cities that are in District 2420. District Governor Ibrahim Fahri Molvalioglu of District 2440 and District Governor Murat Celik of District 2420 both gave consent to the transfer. The governors have also stated that this transfer had received the approval of a majority of the clubs in their respective districts.

DECISION: The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with the provisions of *Rotary Code of Policies* section 17.010.4., approves the transfer of the Rotary Club of Gelibolu, Turkey, from District 2440 to District 2420 in Zone 10, effective 1 July 2007.

6. Waiver of Qualifications for 2008–09 Governor, District 1912

Statement: District Governor Peter Herbrich requested the Board waive the qualifications set forth in RI Bylaws section 15.070.4. for Rotarian Jenő Lakatos. Rotarian Lakatos is a member of the Rotary Club of Szeged Szent-Györgyi Albert, Hungary. At the time of his selection by the district nominating committee, he had not completed a full term as club president. Rotarian Lakatos was otherwise fully qualified for the office of governor. As the nominating committee selected Rotarian Lakatos as the most suitable candidate, the governor recommended that a waiver be granted.

DECISION: The Board, the president acting on its behalf, in accordance with the provisions of RI Bylaws section 15.070., excuses Rotarian Jenő Lakatos, a member of the Rotary Club of Szeged Szent-Györgyi Albert, Hungary, from the qualifications for a governor-nominee set forth in RI Bylaws section 15.070.4.

APPENDIX B

RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE GENERAL SECRETARY (Decision 131)

Statement: The general secretary reported that he had made the following decisions on behalf of the Board during the period 29 September 2006 through 5 January 2007.

1. Admission of Clubs

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

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

Zone 2

Toda Evening, Saitama, Japan

Zone 4

Kumamoto Rindou, Kumamoto, Japan
Tainan Southeast, Taiwan
Taipei Hejiang, Taiwan
Yuanlin Northeast, Taiwan

Zone 5

Alwar Fort, Rajasthan, India
Baglung, Nepal
Balasore-On-Sea, Orissa, India
Barasat Metropolitan, West Bengal, India
Bareilly Greencity, Uttar Pradesh, India
Bareilly Heritage, Uttar Pradesh, India
Gola Chhoti Kashi, Uttar Pradesh, India
Goniana Midtown, Punjab, India
Jalandhar Gold, Punjab, India
Khurja Development, Uttar Pradesh, India
Kujang, Orissa, India
Kukshi-Susari, Madhya Pradesh, India
Kurduwadi, Maharashtra, India
Mangaldai, Assam, India
Meerut Apex, Uttar Pradesh, India
Meerut Kranti, Uttar Pradesh, India
Meerut Milestone, Uttar Pradesh, India
Moga Greater, Punjab, India
Muzaffarnagar Royal, Uttar Pradesh, India
Sunam Diamond, Punjab, India

Zone 6

Cochin City, Kerala, India
Cochin Lords, Kerala, India
Laguna Phuket, Thailand
Nedumbassery, Kerala, India
Ramteerth, Karnataka, India
Tripunithura Royale, Kerala, India
Valliyoor Central, Tamil Nadu, India
Vaniyambadi Mid Town, Tamil Nadu, India
Vientiane, Vientiane Capital, Lao People's
Democratic Republic
Vizag Cosmo, Andhra Pradesh, India

Zone 7

Cosmopolitan San Juan, Metro Manila, Philippines
Iligan Bay-Iligan City, Lanao del Norte, Philippines
Lagawe, Ifugao, Philippines
Metro Roxas Central, Capiz, Philippines
San Francisco, Agusan del Sur., Philippines

Zone 8

Wagga Wagga Murrumbidgee, NSW, Australia

Zone 9

Agape Incheon, Incheon, Korea
Ansung Serin, Gyeonggi, Korea
Goyang-Central, Gyeonggi, Korea
Gwangju Mujigae, Gwangju, Korea
Gwangyang Heeyang, Jeonranam, Korea
Incheon Kyeongin, Incheon, Korea
Nam Wonju, Gangweon, Korea
Shin Busan, Busan, Korea
Siheung Okgu, Gyeonggi, Korea
Yeosu Sangloksoo, Jeonranam, Korea

Zone 10

Albion, Mauritius
Asaba East, Delta State, Nigeria
Beograd-Dunav, Serbia
Beograd-Sava, Serbia
Fria, Province de Boké, Guinea
Iraklion – Candia, Greece
Myrina Limnos, Greece
Niš - "Constantine the Great", Serbia
Rio Maior, Portugal
Tampon-Les Plaines, Reunion

Zone 11

Les Herbiers, Vendée, France

Zone 12

Pantellaria, Italy

Zone 13

Damme, Belgium
Prinsenbeek, The Netherlands
Santpoort – Brederode, The Netherlands
Tervuren, Belgium

Zone 14

A81-Bodensee-Engen, Germany
Koper, Slovenia
Praga Ekumena, Czech Republic
Salzburg-Paracelsus, Austria
Schopfheim-Wiesental, Germany
Timișoara Ripensis, Romania

Zone 15

Hämeenlinna – Verkatehdas, Suomi, Finland
Moscow Arbat, Russia, Western
Oulu International, Suomi, Finland
Oulunsalo – Siivet, Suomi, Finland

Zone 16

Biala Podlaska, Poland
Jelenia Góra-Karkonosze, Poland
Panevėžys - Nevėžis, Lithuania
Randers – Business Breakfast, Denmark

Zone 17

Long Eaton Dawnbreakers, England

Zone 19

Celso Ramos, Santa Catarina, Brazil
El Trébol Solidario, S.F., Argentina
San Ignacio, Ñuble, Chile
Misión Nueva Pompeya, Chaco, Argentina
Villa La Angostura, Neuq., Argentina

Zone 20

Araras-Alvorada, São Paulo, Brazil
Nova Venécia, Espírito Santo, Brazil
São Paulo – Brás, São Paulo, Brazil
Vitória – Centro, Espírito Santo, Brazil

Zone 21

Barrancabermeja Cacique Pipatón, Santander, Colombia
Cúcuta Ciudad de Todos, Norte de Santander, Colombia
Fusagasugá, Cundinamarca, Colombia
La Villa del Rosario, Zulia, Venezuela
Lima Siglo XXI, Lima, Peru
Miculla Tacna, Tacna, Peru
Ocotal, Nueva Segovia, Nicaragua
San Ignacio de Velasco, S.C., Bolivia
San Martín, Jalisco, México
Upata-Villa de Yocoima, Bolívar, Venezuela

Zone 22

Novosibirsk – Initiative, Russia, Eastern

Zone 23

Kirkland Downtown, Washington, USA

Zone 25

Chino Valley, Arizona, USA
Cienega (Vail), Arizona, USA
Litchfield Park, Arizona, USA

Zone 28

Plum, Pennsylvania, USA

Zone 29

Hammond Ponchatoula Sunrisers, Louisiana, USA
Red Bud, Illinois, USA

Zone 32

Dryden, New York, USA

Zone 33

Centreville, Virginia, USA
Indian Land, South 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 name of the club.

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

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Abbotsford, British Columbia, Canada-Sumas, Washington, USA	Abbotsford-Sumas, British Columbia, Canada
Anjung-Seohwa, Gyeonggi, Korea	Pyeongtaeg-West, Gyeonggi, Korea
Belper, Derbys., England	Belper and Duffield, Derbys., England
Bombay Cuffe Parade, Maharashtra, India	Mumbai Cuffe Parade, Maharashtra, India
Bovey Tracey, Devon, England	Chudleigh & Bovey Tracey, Devon, England
Cedar Park/Lakehills, Texas, USA	Cedar Park, Texas, USA
dei Vestini, Italy	Pescara Nord, Italy
Dijon-Est, Côte-d'Or, France	Dijon-Téméraire, Côte-d'Or, France
Forbach-Goldenne Bremm-Saar, Moselle, France	Forbach-Goldene Bremm-Saar, Moselle, France
Guerneville, California, USA	Russian River (Guerneville), California, USA

From	To
Hossegor-Côte-Sud, Landes, France	Hossegor et Côté Sud des Landes, Landes, France
Kamiiso, Hokkaido, Japan	Hokuto, Hokkaido, Japan
Kwanchon-Saseondae, Jeonrabug, Korea	Saseondae, Jeonrabug, Korea
Livonia-North, Michigan, USA	Livonia A.M., Michigan, USA
Mâcon, S. et L., France	Mâcon Rives de Saône, S. et L., France
Orlando South at Hunter's Creek, Florida, USA	Orlando South, Florida, USA
Paris Notre-Dame, Hts-de-Seine, France	Paris Notre-Dame, France
Pollino-Castrovillari, Italy	Castrovillari – I pulinit del Pollino, Italy
Robina, Queensland, Australia	Robina and Varsity Lakes, Queensland, Australia
São Bernardo do Campo – Novas Gerações, São Paulo, Brazil	São Bernardo do Campo – Jardim do Mar, São Paulo, Brazil
Seoul Jungang, Seoul, Korea	Seoul Joongang, Seoul, Korea
South Little Rock, Arkansas, USA	Little Rock Midtown, Arkansas, USA
St. Albert-Parkland, Alberta, Canada	St. Albert-Saint City, Alberta, Canada
St. Petersburg Midtown, Florida, USA	St. Petersburg Suncoast, Florida, USA
Surfers Paradise West, Qld., Australia	Gold Coast Central, Qld., Australia
Taipei Huwei, Taiwan	Taipei Fullwealth, Taiwan
Thame Witchert, Bucks., England	Haddenham and District, England
Turriff, Grampian, Scotland	Turriff & District, Grampian, Scotland
Val-Belair, Quebec, Canada	Quebec-Val-Belair, Quebec, Canada
Warsaw/Kenansville, North Carolina, USA	Duplin, North Carolina, USA
West U Place (Houston), Texas, USA	West U (Houston), Texas, USA

3. Amendment of Club Constitution—Change in Locality

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

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

Abbotsford-Sumas, British Columbia, Canada
Central Chester County (Lionville), Pennsylvania, USA
Duplin, North Carolina, USA
Fukuoka Higashi, Fukuoka, Japan
Himeji Chuo, Hyogo, Japan
Hokuto, Hokkaido, Japan
Nagahama East, Shiga, Japan
Russian River (Guerneville), California, USA
Shiga-Kohoku, Shiga, Japan
West U (Houston), Texas, USA
Yaizu South, Shizuoka, Japan
Yaizu, Shizuoka, Japan

4. Ballot-by-Mail for Selection of District Governor-Nominee

Statement: The governor of District 3220 (Sri Lanka) has requested authorization to hold a ballot-by-mail within his district instead of convening a nominating committee to select a nominee to serve as district governor in 2009–10.

DECISION: The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, authorizes District 3220 to conduct a ballot-by-mail to select its nominee for district governor to serve in 2009–10.

5. District Conference Dates in Conflict with RI International Convention

Statement: *Rotary Code of Policies* section 22.010.5. provides that a district conference may not be held eight days prior to the opening day of the international convention, nor until eight days after the closing day of the convention. A number of governors and governors-elect requested approval to hold their district conferences within eight days of the opening day of a RI Convention.

DECISION: The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, grants an exception to *Rotary Code of Policies* section 22.010.5. allowing the following districts to convene their district conferences within eight days of a RI Convention:

<u>District</u>	<u>Conference Date</u>
1360	9 June 2007
1740	8–9 June 2007
1830	6–7 June 2008
1890	6–7 June 2008
1900	6–7 June 2008
1950	8–9 June 2007
1980	6–7 June 2008
2090	9–10 June 2007

6. Extension of Deadline for District Governor Allocation Expense Report

Statement: Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, 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 31 December 2006 for the following district (all of the governors served in the year 2005–06):

District Governor's Name

1760 Patrick Nouaille-Degorce
1960 José Manuel Pereira
2050 Ciro Rampulla
2080 Giorgio Di Raimondo
2110 Arcangelo Lacagnina
2200 Eduardo San Martin
2241 Ivan E. Bloch
2310 Tore Alvig Solem
2320 Olle Dahlquist
2350 Britta Wallgren
2370 P.G. Wallberg
2450 John C. Strongylos
2470 Lorentzos Chazapis
3000 J. Samuel Karamchand Rajrao Jerome
3210 J.P. Joe Villavarayar
3790 Gerardo Erguiza
3830 Jaime Cura
4830 Alfredo Frangella
4930 Enzo Mazzolenis
5240 Sally Adelblue
5280 Ingo Werk
5370 Elizabeth Contreras-Vermeulen
5390 Paul Broughton
5420 Fred Berthrong
5440 John Patton
5550 Douglas Mortin
5580 Paula Timmins
6630 John A. Young
7080 Douglas Vincent
7790 Leni Gronros
7810 Brett Varnum
7910 Roy Gilbert
7930 David Fionda
9140 Nwankire C. Onuoha
9150 Jean Kalala Ntumba
9200 Abdulhamid Aboo

District Governor's Name

9250 Maria Luisa Natividade
9690 William Little
9910 Graeme Bellingham

7. Extension of Time Limit for the Selection of District Governor

Statement: The governor of District 5870 (USA) requested the general secretary to extend the time limit for the selection of its 2008–09 district governor. The district governor stated that special circumstances warrant such action. The district assures 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, and in accordance with RI Bylaws section 13.010. and *Rotary Code of Policies* section 31.030.3., extends the time limit for the selection of the 2008–09 district governor for District 5870.

8. Incorporation of Rotary Clubs

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

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

Club name

Bigfork, Montana, USA
Curaçao, Netherlands Antilles
Jasper, Alberta, Canada
Magnetic Island, Queensland, Australia
Ojai, California, USA
Pender Harbour (Madeira Park), British Columbia, Canada

9. Incorporation of Rotary Districts

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

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

District (country)

5320 (USA)
5500 (USA)
5650 (USA)
9800 (Australia)

10. Incorporation of Rotary District Activity or Fund

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

DECISION: The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, offers no objection to District 5500's (USA) district fund incorporation plan under the proposed articles of incorporation as submitted by the district.

11. Merger of Clubs

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

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

Zone 9

The Rotary Club of Mogpo Jungang, Jeonranam, Korea, and the Rotary Club of Mogpo Cheongho, Jeonranam, Korea are merged into the new Rotary Club of Mogpo Cheongho, Jeonranam, Korea, with a charter date of 5 June 1985.

The Rotary Club of Seoul Jongro, Seoul, Korea, and the Rotary Club of Seoul-Ehwa, Seoul, Korea, are merged into the new Rotary Club of Seoul Jongro-Ehwa, Seoul, Korea, with a charter date of 22 December 1983.

The Rotary Club of Ungcheon, Chungcheongnam, Korea, and the Rotary Club of Jusan, Chungcheon-

nam, Korea, are merged into the new Rotary Club of Ungcheon, Chungcheongnam, Korea, with a charter date of 3 November 1979.

Zone 16

The Rotary Club of Warszawa Centrum, Poland, and the Rotary Club of Warszawa-Wisla, Poland, are merged into the new Rotary Club of Warsaw Centrum-Vistula, Poland, with a charter date of 2 December 1993.

Zone 22

The Rotary Club of Saanich Sunrise, British Columbia, Canada and the Rotary Club of Royal Oak Centennial, British Columbia, Canada are merged into the new Rotary Club of Roy Oak (Centennial), British Columbia, Canada, with a charter date of 1 July 2004.

Zone 24

The Rotary Club of Fresno Sunrise, California, USA and the Rotary Club of Fresno-Woodward Park, California, USA, are merged into the new Rotary Club of Fresno Sunrise, California, USA, with a charter date of 12 December 1983.

Zone 31

The Rotary Club of Oriskany-Whitestown, New York, USA and the Rotary Club of North Utica, New York, USA are merged into the new Rotary Club of North Utica-Whitestown, New York, USA, with a charter date of 10 May 1960.

The Rotary Club of East Boston, Massachusetts, USA and the Rotary Club of Revere, Massachusetts, USA are merged into the new Rotary Club of East Boston-Revere, Massachusetts, USA, with a charter date of 15 December 1938.

12. Use of the Name "Rotary"

Statement: Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may authorize Rotary clubs to use the name "Rotary" in incorporating club service or charitable foundations in accordance with policy set forth in *Rotary Code of Policies* section 33.020.3.

DECISION: The Board authorizes the use of the name "Rotary" to the Carleton Rotary Club Foundation (Carleton, Michigan, USA).

13. Reinstatement of Membership in RI

Statement: Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, 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 31.030.5. and in view of the fact that the former Rotary clubs listed below have met the conditions of that policy, the Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, reinstates the following clubs:

<u>District</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Country</u>
2220	Kazan	Russia, Western
2220	Vyatka	Russia, Western
2480	Larissa	Greece
2480	Leskovac	Serbia and Montenegro
3010	Delhi Heritage, Delhi	India
3010	Hapur Greater, Uttar Pradesh	India
3190	Tiptur, Karnataka	India
3250	Patna, Sheikhpura, Bihar	India
3280	Khulna Midtown	India
3290	Kathmandu Sunrise	Nepal
3340	Chaiyaphum	Thailand
3400	Latimojong Makassar, South Sulawesi	Indonesia
3460	Chi Hu Central	Taiwan
3470	Hsilo	Taiwan
3670	Jeonju-Hanmaeum, Jeonrabug	Korea
3670	Nam Gunsan, Jeonrabug	Korea
3720	Changweon-East, Gyeongsangnam	Korea
3780	Sta. Mesa, Quezon City	Philippines
3860	Lapu Lapu, Cebu	Philippines
4110	Chihuahua Crece, Chihuahua	Mexico
4110	Ojocaliente Centenario, Zacatecas	Mexico
4760	Porteirinha, Minas Gerais	Brazil
7020	Cap-Haitien	Haiti
7020	Lucea	Jamaica
7030	Grande Terre Pointe Des Chateaux, Guadeloupe	French West Indies
9010	Fes-Karaouyne	Morocco
9150	Butare	Rwanda
9920	Labasa	Fiji

14. Resignation of Membership in Rotary International

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

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

<u>District</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Country</u>
1040	Hemsworth, West Yorkshire	England
1070	Peterborough Dawn, Cambridgeshire	England
1190	Blackpool North, Lancashire	England
2300	Trysil	Norway
2330	Bräcke	Sweden
2670	Uwajima South, Ehime	Japan
4340	El Bosque, Maipo	Chile
4650	Jaraguá do Sul – Pérola Industrial, Santa Catarina	Brazil
5360	Maple Creek, Saskatchewan	Canada
6060	Eureka, Missouri	USA
9270	New Germany-Westville	South Africa

15. Termination of Membership in RI - Disbanded

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

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

<u>District</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Admitted</u>	<u>Terminated</u>
4180	Chipilo, Puebla, Mexico	24 May-02	3 Jan-07
4380	Ejido, Mérida, Venezuela	15 May-41	4 Jan-07
4530	Anicuns, Goiás, Brazil	12 Jan-00	17 Oct-06
4540	Itirapuã, São Paulo, Brazil	12 Mar-03	7 Nov-06
4600	Arapeí, São Paulo, Brazil	10 Sep-03	1 Dec-06
4651	Balneário Gaivota – Sul Catarinense, Santa Catarina, Brazil	31 May-05	4 Dec-06
4670	Porte Alegre – Jardim Ipiranga, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil	7 Jan-98	4 Jan-07

<u>District</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Admitted</u>	<u>Terminated</u>
4730	São João do Triunfo, Paraná, Brazil	9 Jan-90	15 Nov-06
4850	Del Viso, Bs.As., Argentina	12 Jun-87	6 Dec-06
5580	Geraldton, Ontario, Canada	22 Jan-52	1 Nov-06
6200	Lake Charles East, Louisiana, USA	1 Jan-76	16 Nov-06
6540	Hobart, Indiana, USA	9 Apr-48	1 Nov-06
6990	Miami-Kendall, Florida, USA	3 Jan-84	12 Oct-06
7350	Philipsburg, Pennsylvania, USA	12 Jul-22	12 Oct-06
7530	Glennville/Gilmer County, West Virginia, USA	12 Jan-26	13 Nov-06
7790	Beauport Centenaire, Quebec, Canada	14 Jun-05	27 Nov-06
9450	St. George's (Perth), W.A., Australia	17 Jun-80	5 Oct-06

16. Termination of Membership in RI - Failure to Function

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

DECISION: The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with RI Bylaws section 3.030.2. terminates the membership in RI of the following Rotary clubs:

<u>District</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Admitted</u>	<u>Terminated</u>
4600	Volta Redonda – Sul, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	17 May-83	13 Nov-06
6740	South Shore, Kentucky, USA	17 Jun-78	3 Jan-07

17. Excusing Rotary Clubs from their Financial Obligations to Rotary International

Statement: Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may excuse a Rotary club from its financial obligation to Rotary International.

DECISION: The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf,

1. in accordance with *Rotary Code of Policies* sections 9.020.5. and 31.030.4. excuses the Rotary Club of Asmara, Eritrea (District 9200) from its financial obligation to Rotary International for the period 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2007, owing to the

extraordinary circumstances in Eritrea, where the government of that country withdrew the registration of the Rotary Club of Asmara;

2. in accordance with the RI Bylaws section 17.030.6. excuses all Rotary clubs in Zimbabwe (District 9210) from their financial obligations to Rotary International for the period 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2007, owing to the extraordinary circumstances in Zimbabwe where the rate of inflation continues to be such that funds rapidly lose much of their value before they can be used or remitted.

18. Exception to the Naming Conventions for Rotary Clubs

Statement: Under the terms of the delegation of authority by the Board, the general secretary may approve an exception to the naming conventions for Rotary clubs. The Rotary Club of North Battleford, Saskatchewan, Canada feels that any name including “Battleford” or “North Battleford” causes division among the members in the club. Many other organizations involving both communities use the name “The Battlefords”

DECISION: The Board, the general secretary acting on its behalf, in accordance with the *Rotary Code of Policies*, section 3.010.2. grants an exception to *Rotary Code of Policies* section 3.010. and approves the Rotary Club of North Battleford, Saskatchewan, Canada to change its name to the Rotary Club of The Battlefords, Saskatchewan, Canada.

APPENDIX F

AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY CODE OF POLICIES REGARDING CAMPAIGNING AND ELECTION COMPLAINTS

(Decision 149)

Amendments and New Policies [from preface]

The RI Board will adopt new policies and amend or revoke existing policies in its regular course of business. In the case of amendments, the sections of the Code being amended will be referenced in the actions of the Board. In the case of new policies, the placement of the new policies in the Code will be referenced in the actions of the Board.



26.100.6. Guidelines Rules Regarding Campaigning, Canvassing and Electioneering

It is a fundamental principle in Rotary that the best qualified candidate should be selected for service in Rotary's elective offices. Therefore, any effort to influence the selection process in a positive or negative manner by campaigning, canvassing, electioneering or otherwise is prohibited under the RI Bylaws.

The following guidelines rules shall be followed concerning campaigning, canvassing and electioneering for any Rotarian considering election to the office of president, director, Governor, or representative to the Council on Legislation, or the nominating committee for any such office. These guidelines rules are designed to ensure that the best qualified candidate is selected for office:

1) Rotarians should at all times conform to the prohibitions of the RI Bylaws concerning campaigning, canvassing or electioneering. All Rotarians should observe both the letter and the spirit of the bylaws and refrain from any activity whose purpose or effect is to influence others by promoting or soliciting support for a candidate's or another Rotarian's candidacy. Such activity is repugnant to the spirit of the bylaws and the principles of Rotary and will be grounds for disqualification of a candidate.

2) Campaigning, canvassing or electioneering is any action seeking to promote, attack, support, or oppose a candidate, either directly or indirectly, in any medium, including, but not limited to, any action seeking votes, requesting support in a forthcoming election, distribution of literature or promotional materials or

other overt actions intended to promote one's candidacy for an elected Rotary office.

3) The periods of candidacy for elective office begin when individual Rotarians begin to give serious consideration to submitting their names for a position covered by the RI rules for nominations and elections. Commencing at that time, candidates should be particularly careful to avoid any actions designed to publicize their names or achievements, to call attention to the applicable nominations or elections, or to give candidates an unfair advantage over other candidates for the same position.

4) The normal performance of duly-assigned Rotary activities would not be considered to be a violation of the policies related to campaigning, canvassing or electioneering.

5) Should a candidate become aware of any campaigning or electioneering activities which are undertaken on the candidate's behalf, the candidate shall immediately and in writing express disapproval to all concerned and instruct them to terminate such activity.

6) Contacting clubs to inform them to request their concurrence for a proposed challenge or election complaint is not prohibited provided that such contact is limited to the exchange of factual information.



26.110.3. Requirement for Cash Bond

At the time a club files a complaint with the General Secretary, such club shall pay to Rotary International a cash bond. If such complaint addresses a district level office, e.g., governor, council on legislation representative, member of a nominating committee for governor or director, the amount of the cash bond shall be US\$1000. If such complaint addresses the election of an individual to any other position, the amount of the cash bond shall be US\$2,500. The General Secretary shall take no action with respect to any such complaint until the cash bond is paid. No complaint shall be considered as received by the General Secretary until unless the cash bond is paid within 30 days after the

~~written document stating the complaint is delivered to the General Secretary. In the event that it is determined that the proper election procedures were followed and that no improper campaigning, canvassing, or electioneering occurred, the cash bond shall be forfeited and retained by Rotary International. Otherwise, the General Secretary shall cause the cash bond to be refunded without interest.~~



26.110.5. Consideration of Bylaws, Board Decisions and Other Information

In considering a complaint, the panel of the election review committee shall take into account the relevant RI Bylaws provisions and the policies established by the Board in the interpretation and application of those Bylaws provisions. The committee may request the general secretary to obtain additional evidence or information from the complainant, the candidate or any other concerned party. The committee may also, on behalf of the Board, grant a waiver of any Board-imposed confidentiality requirements to the extent it believes is necessary to ascertain additional information.



27.010.3. Selection of Nominee for President by Nominating Committee

The selection of a nominee for the office of RI president is solely the responsibility of the nominating committee for president. Any efforts from persons not on the outside the committee to influence, either directly or indirectly, the decision of the committee in this respect are prohibited. looked upon with disfavor. The foregoing shall be included in appropriate RI literature to be brought to the attention of clubs and individual Rotarians.

27.010.4. Campaigning, Canvassing and Electioneering Members of the nominating committee shall agree not to make any efforts to influence other members of the committee, on behalf of or against any candidate, either directly or indirectly, in advance of the committee meeting.

APPENDIX G

AMENDMENTS TO CLUB CONSTITUTION (Decision 155)

ADDENDUM TO THE STANDARD CLUB CONSTITUTION FOR THE ROTARY CLUB OF HIBISCUS COAST (MARGATE AND UVON-GO), DISTRICT 9270, REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA,

IN TERMS OF THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE II-2.030.3 OF THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL BYLAWS.

Article XIX

The Club may not give any of its money or property to its members or office bearers. The only time it can do this is when it pays for work that a member or office bearer has done for the club. The payment must be a reasonable amount for the work that has been done.

Article XX

The Club shall:

1. exist in its own right, separately from its members;
2. be able to own property and other possessions;
3. be able to sue and be sued in its own name.

Article XXI

Members or office bearers of the Club shall not have any rights over things that belong to the Club.

Article XXII

Members or office-bearers shall not become liable for any of the obligations and liabilities of the organisation solely by virtue of their status as members or office-bearers of the Club.

Article XXIII

Office-bearers shall not be personally liable for any loss suffered by any person as a result of an act or omission which occurs in good faith while the office-bearer is performing functions for or on behalf of the Club.

Article XXIV

1. The club will be exempt from taxation in terms of Section 10(1) and/or approval in terms of Section 18A of the Income Tax Act, provided that:

1.1 The club shall not carry on any business. (This includes, inter alia, ordinary trading operations in the commercial sense, speculative transactions, dividend stripping activities as well as the letting of property on a systematic or regular basis.).

1.2 Funds available for investment may only be invested with registered financial institutions (Investment of Funds Act, 1984), and in securities listed on a licensed stock exchange as defined in the Stock Exchange Control Act, (Act No. 1. of 1985). It must be noted that where shares, other than shares as mentioned above, have been donated or bequeathed to an exempt institution, the shares may be held without jeopardising the exempt status of the institution.

1.3 A copy of all amendments to the constitution must be submitted to the Commissioner of the South African Revenue Services.

1.4 On dissolution of the club, the remaining assets will be transferred to charitable, religious or educational institutions, within the Republic of South Africa, which are themselves exempt from income tax in terms of Section 10(1) of the Income Tax Act.

1.5 The club shall not use in excess of R5 000 per annum outside the borders of the Republic of South Africa, including territories which formally formed part of the Republic of South Africa, without the prior written consent of the Commissioner for the South African Revenue Services.

2. Every three years, when the Council on Legislation reviews the Standard Club Constitution and Bylaws, this article must again be carried forward into this Club's constitution.

APPENDIX H

AMENDMENTS TO THE ROTARY ENTITY FUNDRAISING LICENSE (Decision 157)

Rotary Code of Policies

Article 34. Licensing

(See also Section 70.020. "Licensing")

34.020. Granting of an RI License

34.020.1. Licensee Types and Royalty Rates

Type 4B

An entity which manufactures and/or sells a limited portfolio of merchandise bearing Rotary Marks and other goods, not to exceed five products, to the Rotarian Market and/or other RI licensees. A Type 4B licensee pays RI a 10% royalty on total gross sales to the Rotarian Market, and a 2% royalty on total gross sales to other RI licensees. ~~A type 4B licensee will be eligible to pay RI a reduced royalty of 5% on total gross sales to the Rotarian Market and a 2% royalty on total gross sales to other RI licensees if the entity is 1) a Rotary Entity, and 2) 100% of the Rotary Entity's total gross sales, less net revenue (as defined in the license agreement) from the sale of merchandise bearing Rotary Marks and other goods, not to exceed five products, to the Rotarian Market and/or other licensees, is donated to The Rotary Foundation or its Associate Foundations.~~ A Type 4B licensee makes a reduced one-time application fee of US\$250, makes semiannual royalty payments and has a reduced annual minimum royalty payment obligation of US\$250.

Type 4C

A Rotary Entity that manufactures and/or sells a limited portfolio of merchandise bearing Rotary Marks and other goods, not to exceed five products, to the Rotarian market and/or other RI licensees and donates 100% of the proceeds (as defined in the license agreement) from the sale of said merchandise to The Rotary Foundation or its Associate Foundations. A Type 4C licensee pays RI a reduced 1% royalty on total gross sales to the Rotarian market and/or to other RI licensees. A Type 4C licensee makes a

reduced one-time application fee of US\$250, makes semiannual royalty payments and has no annual minimum royalty payment obligation. Any royalty fees received by Rotary International from this license type shall be transferred to The Rotary Foundation Annual Programs Fund.

(See Section 70.020.3. for additional policies regarding sales promoting the PolioPlus Campaign.)

70.020.3. Royalties on Rotary Emblem Merchandise to the PolioPlus Fund

Any royalty fees received by Rotary International for the sale of items that promote the PolioPlus campaign will be transferred to the Foundation's PolioPlus Fund. *(June 1998 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 348)*

70.020.4. Royalties on Rotary Emblem Merchandise to The Rotary Foundation Annual Programs Fund

Any royalty fees received by Rotary International for the sale of items under the Type 4C license will be transferred to the Foundation's Annual Programs Fund.

APPENDIX I

**JOINT RI AND TRF POLICY ON RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS
(Decision 158)**

Rotary Code of Policies

Article 35. Joint RI and TRF Policy on Relationships with Other Organizations

35.010. General Guidelines

35.020. Types of Cooperation

35.0230. Invitations to Attend Meetings of Other Organizations

35.010. General Guidelines

The mission of Rotary International is to support its member clubs in fulfilling the Object of Rotary by fostering unity among member clubs, strengthening and expanding Rotary around the world, communicating worldwide the work of Rotary, and providing a system of international administration. ~~is to assist, support, and guide Rotarians, Rotary clubs, and Rotary districts to accomplish the Object of Rotary.~~ The mission of The

Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. This support should ensure Rotary’s continuing relevance, help enhance the quality of life and human dignity, and encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, as well as further international understanding and peace. To accomplish this, it is sometimes appropriate for Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation to cooperate with other organizations that have a shared vision and common goals. All such cooperation with non-Rotary organizations shall be in accordance with the procedures and criteria that follow. ~~The general secretary shall provide an annual report, including a summary and durations of RI’s commitments, to the Board at its fall meeting on the status of all existing and proposed agreements or formal cooperation with other organizations.~~

Type of cooperation	Who should initiate or respond	Who should approve	Criteria for cooperation
I. Sharing information with clubs and districts about the activities of other organizations, and/or facilitating club and district activities in cooperation with other organizations.	General Secretary	General Secretary (who has the responsibility to determine the method and content of any communication about other organizations)	<p>A. RI, TRF, and the other organization have mutually shared goals.</p> <p>B. Organization’s program reflects RI’s existing structured programs or service opportunities and TRF’s programs.</p> <p>C. <i>The other organization is of sound reputation and proven financial integrity.</i></p> <p>D. Cooperation with the organization will not promote any specific political or religious beliefs or entities entity.</p> <p>E. Cooperation will enhance and support Rotary service.</p> <p>F. RI and TRF does not furnish lists of clubs, Rotarians, or donors to the organization.</p> <p>G. RI and TRF does not incur any ongoing obligation (including membership) to the other organization</p>
			<p>H. Cooperation does not involve fund-raising from Rotarians, clubs, and districts.</p> <p>I. Cooperation or agreement does not exceed three years without the express consent of the RI Board and the TRF Trustees, as appropriate.</p>

Type of cooperation	Who should initiate or respond	Who should approve	Criteria for cooperation
			J. Does not involve endorsement by RI or TRF or memorandums of cooperation with RI or TRF.
II. To send an official RI or TRF representative to the meeting or event of another organization.	General Secretary, in consultation with the President or Trustee Chairman, as appropriate	President or Trustee Chairman, as appropriate	In addition to Criteria A— I: K. The meeting or event is of interest to the association. L. Participation does not imply endorsement of or membership in the other organization. M. Participation in the meeting will enhance Rotary's reputation.
III. Agreement between RI or TRF and other organization to promote common activities or programs	General Secretary, at the instruction of the Board or the Trustees, as appropriate.	The Board or the Trustees, as appropriate (prior to agreement)	In addition to Criteria A— I: N. RI or TRF and the cooperating organization agree to communicate the nature of the joint activity to the public, enhancing Rotary's reputation.

Type of cooperation	Who should initiate or respond	Who should approve	Criteria for cooperation
IV. Official status (RI is officially recognized by another organization)	General Secretary, at the instruction of the Board	Board of Directors	In addition to Criteria A— I: O. RI's official status will increase the awareness of Rotary's programs and activities held by the other organization and its members.

V. Corporate project or program which is initiated, adopted, implemented and/or funded by RI	General Secretary, at the instruction of the Board	Board of Directors (the Board should seek Council on Legislation approval if the project or program is global in scope)	In addition to Criteria A— I and Criterion N: P. The project or program will enhance the Object of Rotary.
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(February 2002 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 213)

Source: October 1998 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 145. Amended by February 2001 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 271 and February 2002 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 213. Affirmed by February 2001 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 269

35.010.1. Oversight of Cooperative Relationships

1. Authority of Ppresident and Trustee Chairman. Recognizing that the Ppresident is the principal person to speak on behalf of RI and that the Trustee Chairman is the highest officer of TRF,

the Ppresident and the Trustee Chairman shall be the principal representatives in establishing and maintaining cooperative relationships between RI and TRF and other organizations. No officer or individual shall contact or solicit any other organization on behalf of RI or TRF without the

prior written consent of the president, in consultation with the Trustee chairman. In addition, the general secretary maintains a “no contact list” of individuals, foundations, corporations, governments and other entities with which Rotary International or its Foundation is working to develop relationships and obtain funding at an international level. No representative of any Rotary entity other than Rotary International or its Foundation shall contact or solicit any organizations on the “no contact list” for the purpose of obtaining funds or cooperation for their projects without prior written consent of the president in consultation with the Trustee chairman. This should not be construed as prohibiting clubs, districts and multi-district groups from developing cooperative relationships with local organizations on behalf of their own projects. and no Rotarian Action Group, Fellowship, or other organization formed by Rotary clubs or districts shall contact or solicit any other organization except with the written consent of the Ppresident and the Trustee Chairman or as otherwise specified in the guidelines set forth in sections 35.010 through 35.010.5 of the Rotary Code of Policies and sections 1.060.1 through 1.060.6. of this The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies. Notwithstanding the foregoing, cooperative relationships between RI and TRF and other organizations shall be established as specified in section 35.010 of the Rotary Code of Policies and section 1.060 of The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies.

2. Role of the General Secretary. The general secretary shall support the Ppresident and the Trustee Chairman in the establishment and maintenance of cooperative relationships with other organizations. Specifically, the general secretary shall designate one or more members of the Secretariat staff to provide such assistance. In providing such assistance, the general secretary or his designee shall accompany authorized representatives when visiting other organizations. The general secretary shall also coordinate the activities of representatives to other organizations. The general secretary shall provide an annual report, including a summary and duration of RI's and TRF's commitments, to the Board and the Trustees at their October/November meetings on the status of all existing and proposed agreements or formal cooperation with other organizations. In addition, the general secretary shall provide an update at each meeting of the Board and the

Trustees with respect to new commitments and changes to existing commitments.

35.010.2. Criteria for Cooperation RI and TRF Cooperative Relationship Guidelines

~~The Board and the Trustees, acknowledging that RI and TRF can benefit from cooperation with other organizations, hereby adopts the following terms for acceptance of cooperative relationships for RI and TRF:~~

1. The Board and the Trustees seek to enter into cooperating relationships with other organizations for the purpose of enhancing the ability of RI and TRF to provide quality humanitarian service. RI and TRF shall pursue and be receptive to appropriate cooperative relationships with reputable organizations where such relationships enhance the public image and the development of membership of Rotary and meet one or more of the following criteria:

- a. would assist in carrying out enhance without detracting from Rotary's Structured Programs, Menu of Service Opportunities or programs of TRF; ~~or~~
- b. would provide financial assistance ~~or other support~~ for the programs of RI or TRF; ~~or~~
- c. provide additional service opportunities of interest to Rotarians or support current service initiatives of Rotary clubs and districts;
- d. enhance the public image of Rotary;
- e. retaining current members;
- f. ~~e.~~ would promote a common program or goal; ~~or~~
- g. ~~d.~~ where Rotary's intended goal or objective could be better served by the participation and eventual assumption of the activity by another organization. ~~or~~
- e. ~~where RI's endorsement for a program or project is sought by an organization formed by Rotary clubs or districts.~~
- f. ~~to extend the reach of a best practices program or project developed by an organization formed by Rotary clubs or districts.~~

2. 3. Criteria for evaluation: In the evaluation of any proposed relationship, the following factors shall be considered by the appropriate approving authority:

- a. the financial impact on RI or TRF, including both revenue and expenses;

- b. the effect on the autonomy of clubs, and the operation of districts;
- c. the reputation and financial health of the other organization and any associated organizations or relationships, as evidenced by annual audited accounts to be provided to RI;
- d. the willingness of the proposed organization to make full and continuing financial and operational disclosure;
- e. the effect on any existing program of RI or TRF;
- f. the duration of the proposed relationship;
- g. the potential for RI to obtain public recognition;
- h. compliance with existing RI and TRF policy;
- i. potential conflicts of interest;
- j. size, scope and status of the proposed organization, including compatibility with RI's structure of autonomous Rotary clubs and geographic areas where each organization operates;
- k. record of service of the proposed organization
- l. risk of legal liability;
- m. level of participation expected of clubs, districts, RI, TRF and individual Rotarians;
- n. number of Rotarians, clubs and districts likely to participate or benefit.
- o. noninterference with TRF's ability to raise funds;
- p. proper recognition of RI, TRF, and the other organization.
- q. ethical guidelines consistent with Rotary ideals and appropriate to local culture should be applied to any relationship.

3.-2. Neither RI nor TRF shall enter into a cooperative relationship which involves:

- a. ~~involves~~ alcoholic beverages or tobacco products;
- b. ~~involves~~ firearms or explosives;
- c. ~~involves~~ the promotion of a political or religious entities;
- d. ~~involves~~ products containing habit forming or dangerous drugs;
- e. ~~involves~~ abortion;
- f. ~~involves~~ promotion of gambling or speculation;
- g. ~~involves~~—astrology, horoscopes or palmistry;
- h. joining as a member in the other organization or a group of organizations

~~h. involves any subject matter which is not in accord with the Object of Rotary.~~

~~4. Cultural and legal variances in business practices among nations should be identified and honored whenever possible in matters of RI and TRF cooperative relationships. In realization that business practices are not universal, ethical guidelines appropriate to a given culture should be developed, published, and applied by those responsible for the solicitation and/or acceptance of RI and TRF cooperative relationships.~~

~~4.-5.~~ Any cooperative relationship must comply with pertinent national governments' existing rules concerning not-for-profit organizations.

~~5. 6.~~ Cooperative relationships shall not be legal partnerships.

~~7. The general secretary, president and the Board, Trustee Chairman and the Trustees, as outlined in section 35.010 of the Rotary Code of Policies and section 1.060 of The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies, are responsible for administering these Guidelines and making the final decision on questions of acceptance. No officer of Rotary International or The Rotary Foundation shall enter into any agreement on behalf of the organization unless approved by the appropriate authority and any non-approved agreement shall be null and void;~~

~~8. Membership lists, except by Board authorization, and donor lists, except by Trustees authorization, must not be used for sponsorship or cooperative relationship purposes and must stay within the control of RI. However, any determination to allow access to membership or donor lists must respect the individual rights of Rotarians and donors, including relevant legal restrictions.~~

~~6. 9.~~ All uses of the Rotary Marks for the purpose of cooperative relationships, in materials promoting cooperative relationships, either produced by the cooperating organization or by RI or TRF, in any media, must be governed by the "RI and TRF Guidelines for Use of the Rotary Marks by Sponsors and Cooperating Organizations." A copy of these Guidelines must be attached to and incorporated in any ~~contract entered into~~ memorandum of understanding between RI or TRF and any other organization.

~~7. 10.~~ Individual Rotarians shall not benefit financially from cooperative relationships with other organizations. (*October 2003 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 50*)

8. The general secretary and the Board or Foundation Trustees are responsible for administering these guidelines and making the final decision on questions of acceptance. No officer of Rotary International or The Rotary Foundation shall enter into any agreement on behalf of the organization unless approved by the appropriate authority and any non-approved agreement shall be null and void.

Source: August 2000 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 64; Amended by November 2001 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 71; February 2002 Mtg., Bd. Decs. 212 and 213; June 2002 Mtg., Bd. Decs. 245 and 257; and October 2003 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 50

35.010.3. Required Provisions in Cooperative Agreements Memoranda of Understanding with Other Organizations

1. ~~Criteria for review and approval of public statements and recognition on any joint activities, Web sites, publications and all other written materials;~~
2. ~~Requirements for periodic reporting on the progress of the subject matter of the cooperative agreement;~~
3. ~~The specific commitments made by all parties to the agreement;~~
4. ~~Provision for terminating the agreement;~~
5. ~~Provisions relating to the use of Rotary Marks, including approval of all documents that use the Marks.~~
6. ~~The value of goods and services must be clearly stated and donations in kind shall be considered to the extent of their lowest reasonable fair market financial value. (*June 2002 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 245*)~~
7. ~~Written acknowledgement from the other organization of the acceptance of the guidelines set forth in sections 35.010 through 35.010.5 of the *Rotary Code of Policies* and sections 1.060.1 through 1.060.6 of *The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies*.~~

35.010.4. Representatives to other organizations

~~The President and the Trustee Chairman shall jointly appoint an experienced Rotarian as the representative of RI and TRF to each other organization as shall be designated by the~~

~~President and the Trustee Chairman. Each such representative shall serve for at least three years and shall receive initial and ongoing orientation and training as to the representative's responsibilities, the operations of the assigned organization, and the policies, programs, and activities of RI and TRF. Each representative shall provide regular reports to the general secretary regarding attendance at meetings, achievement of RI and TRF program and public relations objectives, and opportunities for enhancing RI and TRF visibility through the assigned organization. Each representative shall monitor the assigned organization, relaying to RI and TRF those matters which relate to RI's and TRF's policy and programs and shall communicate established policy, program, and activities as reflected in official Rotary material or as developed and approved by the Board, the President, the Trustees, the Trustee Chairman, or the general secretary. Representative's expenses shall be reimbursed to the extent of approved budgeted amounts. The President and the Trustee Chairman may jointly remove a representative at any time.~~

35.010.4 Services provided to other organizations by RI or TRF

Other organizations that have entered into memoranda of understanding with RI or TRF are eligible for the following:

- a. discounted rental of booth space at the RI convention and attendance at plenary and group discussion sessions;
- b. promotion of joint activities through fact sheets, stories in the Rotary World Press, and on the RI Web site;
- c. information about organization shared with relevant group of Rotarians at the district and zone level by RI or TRF
- d. additional cost-neutral services as approved by the general secretary
- e. additional services with costs as approved by the board or Trustees.

RI and TRF will not provide the following to other organizations:

- a. membership data, including lists of Rotary clubs, officers, or Rotarians
- b. donor data
- c. an endorsement of the other organization or its programs
- d. support of fund-raising initiatives of such other organizations

- e. guarantees or commitments on behalf of individual Rotary clubs or districts to participate or support the other organization or its programs

35.010.45 Representatives to Other Organizations

The president, in consultation with the Trustee chairman as appropriate, may appoint an experienced Rotarian to act as a representative to organizations with which RI or TRF have cooperative relationships. Representatives shall serve for the term of the relationship or a maximum of three years, renewable for a further three years. Representatives will act as liaison between the cooperative organization, the president, the Trustee chairman and the general secretary, attending meetings as requested ~~on behalf of the president~~, monitoring progress on the relationship and communicating with the cooperating organization on policy, programs and activities of RI and TRF relevant to the cooperative relationship. Representatives shall receive initial orientation and ongoing briefings as necessary to fulfill their responsibilities. Expenses shall be reimbursed to the extent of approved budgeted amounts and in accordance with RI policy. The president, in consultation with the Trustee chairman as appropriate may remove a representative at any time

35.010.56.4. Use of Officers' Titles

No current or past officer of RI shall use or permit the publication of his or her title as such officer in connection with an official position or membership in any other organization, except with the consent of the RI Board. No current or past officer of TRF shall use or permit the publication of his or her title as such officer in connection with an official position or membership in any other organization, except with the consent of the Trustees. (May 2003 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 325)

Source: COL 80-102; Amended by May 2003 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 325

35.020. Types of Cooperation

Both the geographic and cultural distribution of Rotary clubs, and the vast scope of their service activities and interests create a need for different types of cooperative relationships. As long as the criteria outlined in 35.010 of the Rotary Code of Policies and (enter TRF code number) of The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies are met, eligible organizations need not be of a minimum or maximum size, or serve a minimum number of countries or regions where there

are Rotary clubs. Cooperation shall not exceed three years without the express consent of the RI Board and/or TRF Trustees, as appropriate.

Following are types of cooperation and approvals required for each:

1. Information sharing—approved by the general secretary

Information is shared with groups of Rotarians who would have interest in the activities of the organization.

- May target a single country or geographic area
- May include information about projects of the other organization that seek funding as long as the primary emphasis of collaboration is not fundraising
- Does not include memoranda of understanding or additional services from RI

2. Service Opportunities—approved by the Board of Directors

Cooperation with the other organization will provide service opportunities, expertise and non-financial resources for interested Rotary clubs. Information is shared with groups of Rotarians who would have an interest in the activities of the organization. A memorandum of understanding is drafted to outline scope of cooperation between RI and the other organization, with a focus on local implementation. Clubs and districts are encouraged to cooperate with the organization, and staff support is provided to facilitate cooperative activities.

- May target a single country or geographic area, as long as at least 25 districts can participate
- May include information about projects of the other organization that seek funding as long as the primary emphasis of collaboration is not fundraising
- May include invitations to attend RI meetings as speakers at the discretion of the president

3. Funding—approved by the Board of Directors and/or The Rotary Foundation Trustees, as appropriate
Other organization provides funds for Rotary club service activities through RI or TRF. A memorandum of understanding is required.

- May target a single country or geographic area

- May include obligationa commitment by participating for Rotary clubs to provide matching funds, in-kind support, or volunteer hours in order to obtain funds from the other organization, so long as autonomy of individual clubs is not disrupted.

4. Corporate Project

A corporate project is defined as a project undertaken by Rotary International and its Foundation in which all clubs worldwide are encouraged to participate. As outlined in section 40.040.1 of the Rotary Code of Policies and section 11.030 of The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies, no new corporate projects will be considered until the PolioPlus program is completed.

35.020.571. Amendment of Guidelines

To ensure a unified approach by RI and TRF to contacts and cooperative relationships with other organizations, this amendment and subsequent amendments to the guidelines for relationships with other organizations as set forth in sections 35.010 through 35.020 of the *Rotary Code of Policies* and sections 1.060.1 through 1.060.6 (renumber if necessary) of *The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies* shall be effective only upon approval by both the Board of Directors of Rotary International and the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation. Such guidelines shall be included in both the *Rotary Code of Policies* and *The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies*.

35.0630. 35.020.10. Invitations to Attend Meetings of Other Organizations

The general secretary shall respond to invitations for RI and TRF to attend meetings of ~~the UN and~~ other organizations in the following manner:

- 1) Evaluate the meetings in terms of both potential program information and Rotary visibility;
- 2) Identify Rotarians -- such as general officers, members of RI ~~resource groupstask forces~~ and committees, as well another Rotary leaders -- who both live in or near the meeting city and who are knowledgeable about Rotary activities relating to the subject of the meeting and to include this information in the data base being developed for the president, president-elect, and president nominee;

3) Following consultation with the president, invite the selected Rotarians to attend the meeting and to:

a. act ~~only~~ as observers, collecting and recording information pertinent to Rotary, unless invited in a specific capacity as a speaker, panelist or to collect an award on behalf of RI or TRF or as otherwise instructed;

b. make written reports, after the meeting, to the president, who through the general secretary will relay them to relevant committee or resource group chairs~~the UN Liaison Advisory Committee Chair;~~

c. be reimbursed for expenses, if any, in connection with their attendance at meetings as outlined in the invitation letter;

~~4) Attend UN meetings as representative of RI -- Document representatives' activities, and any resulting Rotary activity, for inclusion in RI's quadrennial reports to UN agencies with which RI maintains status.)~~

(June 1998 Mtg., Bd. Dec. 348)

APPENDIX J

AMENDMENTS TO THE YOUTH EXCHANGE POLICY (Decision 163)

Rotary Code of Policies

41.080. Youth Exchange

The Board of Directors of Rotary International has established recommended guidelines to assist clubs and districts in implementing their Youth Exchange activities.

~~In addition, clubs and districts are strongly encouraged to consult legal counsel regarding liability issues before undertaking Youth Exchange activities, including advice relative to securing liability insurance.~~

[text omitted]

The general secretary shall maintain a district certification program. The certification process requires all ~~club and~~ district Youth Exchange programs to provide Rotary International with evidence that they have adopted the certification guidelines as identified below in their long-term and short-term exchange programs and in any tours and camps. All club and district Youth Exchange programs must comply with RI sexual abuse and harassment prevention policies and other requirements set forth by the general secretary in order to be certified. If local circumstances are such that a district cannot meet any of the guidelines, they must ~~notify~~ provide the general secretary in writing evidence of the specific circumstances that prohibit compliance. ~~and~~ This district must develop alternate alternative procedures that maintain the intent of these guidelines and provide to the general secretary in writing an explanation of these procedures in order to be considered for certification. The general secretary may grant waivers to districts that have implemented alternative policy and alternative procedures that meet the intent of RI policy in instances when RI policy is contrary to local law and customs. The general secretary will evaluate and determine whether the alternatives posited by districts meet the intent of the policy, and may bring matters to the Board should circumstances warrant.

Clubs and districts are strongly encouraged to consult legal counsel regarding liability issues before undertaking Youth Exchange activities. Districts must secure general liability insurance for the district Youth

Exchange program with coverage and limits appropriate for their geographic location. Youth Exchange programs in certified districts located entirely within the United States are covered under the U.S. Rotary Club and District General Liability Insurance Program. (Through 30 June 2007 Youth Exchange programs in provisionally-certified and non-certified districts are also covered.)

In addition, districts must establish a corporation or similar formal legal entity that includes the district Youth Exchange program. This requirement may be met by incorporating the district Youth Exchange program, a group of programs that includes Youth Exchange, or the district as a whole in accordance with *Rotary Code of Policies* 17.020. Districts may also meet this requirement by affiliation with an incorporated multidistrict Youth Exchange program for the districts' activities that are conducted within the scope of the multidistrict program.

The following guidelines are provided to assist clubs and districts undertaking Youth Exchange activities. These guidelines pertain to all types of exchanges, including long-term and short-term exchanges.

[text omitted]

2. Careful selection of all individuals involved in Rotary Youth Exchange programs should be of paramount concern and be done with the utmost care and consideration. Selection procedures should occur in a similarly thorough manner for both the long-term and short-term exchange programs.

a. All adults (Rotarian and non-Rotarians) involved in the program, including but not limited to committee members, host families, club counselors, and others, must be interviewed to determine suitability to work with youth, complete and sign a Youth Volunteer Affidavit, and agree to undergo background checks, including law enforcement public record checks and a reference check.

[text omitted]

c. The hosting Rotary club or district must conscientiously screen and select host families on the

basis of a written application, background checks for all adults in the home, including law enforcement public record checks and reference checks, personal interview, and home visits. Host families must receive training that includes information on program administration and rules and abuse and harassment awareness and prevention. For long-term exchanges, it is required for an exchangee to have more than one host family; three successive host families is preferable. For short-term exchange homestay programs, one family is usually sufficient. In long-term exchanges, parents of outbound students shall not be required to host incoming students.

[text omitted]

12. All serious incidents, including but not limited to, accidents, death, early returns, and crimes, and any allegations of abuse or harassment shall be reported by the district to RI within 72 hours of the time a district officer learns of the incident. Districts must identify a person within the district who will be responsible for reporting to RI.

[Subsequent sections will be renumbered as appropriate]

[text omitted]

~~14-15.~~ Clubs and districts are encouraged to use the standard Youth Exchange applications for both the long-term and short-term exchange programs which can be obtained from the Secretariat. ~~Clubs and Districts must return~~ provide to RI a copy of the RI pages Guarantee Form of the standard Youth Exchange applications ~~signed by the students for each inbound student hosted by the district at least one month~~ prior to the beginning of an exchange.

APPENDIX L

INTERCOUNTRY COMMITTEES (Decision 165)

In order to encourage contacts between Rotarians and Rotary Clubs in two or more countries and to promote fellowship and intercultural understanding among the people of various nations, the Board of Directors recognizes the importance of Intercountry Committees and encourages Rotarians to create new committees with the approval of their district governor.

Mission of Intercountry Committees

- The mission of an ICC is to encourage individual or group Rotary exchanges in order to build a sister club network.
- In Rotary countries, they are a means to stronger ties between Rotarians, clubs, and districts from different countries and foster sponsorship of new clubs as well as networking across borders, continents, etc.
- They initiate or carry out World Community Service projects. However, WCS projects carried out over a 12-month period or more should comply with RI guidelines regarding multidistrict activities (see Chapter 2; RCP 36.030.3).

Organization

- The founders of an ICC between two or more countries must create a national section reporting to their respective countries and districts.
- The 2 sections constitute the Intercountry Committee.
- Each section is comprised of Rotarians from the founding clubs and districts. The name of the ICC may take the name of the two countries or the founding clubs or districts.
- Both sections are autonomous and shall meet during a general assembly to be held once a year, alternating from one country to the other (delegates must be able to travel).
- Rotaractors are eligible to be members of Intercountry Committees.
- National sections must abide by the rules governing organizations in their country and as such shall have officers including a secretary and a treasurer.
- Each president shall have a term of 3 years.

Funding

- The RI Board of Directors considering the operations and funding of such committees to be independent
- activities of Rotary Clubs, districts and countries under their own volition, ICCs shall function without financial support from Rotary International.
- Operating costs for the committees are covered by the founding Rotarians, clubs and districts. Modest fees shall cover the committees' administrative costs.

National Coordinators (Zones 10-18) and the Executive Council

- The role of the Executive Council is to supervise, encourage and motivate each ICCs.
- The Executive Council is comprised of a president, two vice-presidents, a secretary, and a treasurer. All are elected by a council of national coordinators.
- The national coordinator shall be designated by a council of past governors and governors and fulfill the same role as the Executive Council in his/her country.
- An annual activity report from each committee shall be submitted to the national coordinator who will in turn address a full report to the Executive Council.
- Members of the Executive Council and national coordinators are elected for a 3-year term.

APPENDIX M

RECOGNITION FOR SMALLER CLUB MEMBERSHIP GROWTH (Decision 198)

Membership is the building block of Rotary International. Members are essential in fulfilling Rotary's commitment to providing humanitarian service throughout the world. The continued health of our clubs and international association depends on a club's continued vitality and strength and its ability to bring new, qualified volunteers into membership. The on-going need to propose qualified new members is a responsibility of each club and Rotarian. The future success of Rotary is dependent on a strong and committed membership base.

In an effort to encourage clubs that have been experiencing a difficult time with membership and have fallen below the new club charter requirement of twenty members, the RI Board of Directors supports an incentive and recognition program: *Recognition for Smaller Club Member Growth*. The program provides a club with fewer than twenty members with a certificate of recognition for demonstrating an increase in membership.

Guidelines

Taking into consideration the difficulty clubs experience in growing or increasing from a very small membership base, recognition will be considered and awarded within three segments or tiers.

Club Membership and Goals:

Club Size	Membership Goal
Less than 10 members	10 members
10 to 14 members	15 members
15 to 19 members	20 members

Process: District governors-elect are asked to work with the incoming club presidents of clubs with less than twenty members to establish membership goals and an action plan for the next Rotary year. To prepare for their year, in May the district governors-elect will receive a list of clubs in their district that fall below

twenty members. In late October the 1 July starting figure (based on 1 July semi-annual reports received at RI by 30 September) for the district and each club within the district is distributed to the governor.

With this data, clubs that fall below the charter minimum of twenty can be identified. These clubs may require additional assistance.

Time Frame: The time frame for the annual *Recognition for Smaller Club Member Growth* program is 1 July-15 May.

- The district governors are asked to report to RI between 15 May and 30 June the names of the clubs in their district that have achieved sufficient growth.
- Each club's starting membership figure is based on the clubs' July semi-annual report forms received at RI by 30 September each year.

Submission Deadlines:

- By 15 May a club should submit the *Recognition for Smaller Club Member Growth* form to the district governor.
- From 15 May to 30 June, each district governor is asked to report each of the clubs that are to receive a recognition certificate to RI on the appropriate submission form.

Recognition: Certificates signed by the RI President will be shipped to the governor for presentation to the recognized clubs.

Promotion: RI promotes this award throughout the year in all RI publications, including Rotary World, The Rotarian magazine, and the RI Web site. District governors are asked to promote this award through their monthly letters and official club visits.

Support: In addition to new members, the retention of new as well as existing members is dependent on a club's ability to provide vibrant weekly meetings, relevant and productive service projects, and positive connections and fellowship. Clubs are encouraged to follow the retention guidelines promoted by Rotary International.

APPENDIX N

PILOT PROJECT TO EXPLORE EFFECTS OF CLUB MEETING FREQUENCY ON MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT (Decision 200)

1. Pilot Project Parameters

- Six year pilot to start on 1 July 2007 (this timeframe is suggested because there is not enough time for results/assessment of impact for the 2010 COL if this item must be submitted by June 30 2009).
- Invite clubs from the former New Models pilot project to join on 1 July 2007 (81 of the new model pilot clubs amended their weekly meeting frequency).
- Include 10-15 pilot clubs per region (as shown below). Invite new or existing Rotary clubs to participate in the pilot in the 14 regional groups, to reach the target numbers.

Possible New Model Clubs to join new pilot project

Region	# of Clubs
Asia, Zones 4B, 6B	9
Australia, New Zealand, Pacific Islands	3
India	5
Japan	3
Korea	9
Latin America	1
Middle East, North Africa	5
North America	11
Philippines	1
RIBI	7
Sub Saharan Africa	2
Western Europe	25
Total Number of Clubs	81

- Identify a control group of traditional Rotary clubs that meet weekly in the same urban or rural demographic for comparison with pilot clubs.

- Provide six-month pilot project reports to the RI Board.
- Provide annual Member Termination Surveys of pilot club membership to the RI Board.
- Submit a final report to RI Board in February 2011 with recommendations for changes to bring to the Council on Legislation (this timing allows the pilot to run for four years and gives the Board more than a year to consider, discuss, and amend any proposal. The COL deadline for items is June 2012.).

2. Criteria for Evaluation of Meeting Frequency Pilot Clubs

- Membership growth and retention (individuals/ not numbers).
- Meeting attendance percentages.
- Gender balance of membership, average age of membership, participation in local and international service projects, TRF program participation and giving totals.
- Club members serving beyond the club level overall membership statistics (three years prior to and during the pilot. It was noted that more valid information is available if the anomalies from the 2001-02 to 2002-03 years are not included.).
- Minimum requirements for a functioning Rotary club (paid its per capita dues, meeting regularly, subscriptions to the RW, implementing service projects locally and/or internationally, receiving the visit of the DG, AG, and any officer of RI, and maintaining appropriate general liability insurance.

3. Request RI president to appoint a champion for the pilot project from the membership of the RI Board of Directors, every two years.

4. Request the RI president and future presidents to select a highly-respected Rotary Senior Leader to serve as the Pilot Project Committee chair for the full duration of the pilot project.

5. Regularly share information from the pilot project with the global Rotary world to garner support.

APPENDIX O

**FINANCIAL IMPACT OF BOARD DECISIONS
(Decision 215)**

Budget at July 2006 Board Meeting	2006-07 Budget Totals
<i>Revenues</i>	US\$85,277,000
<i>Expenses</i>	82,823,000
<i>Reserves</i>	0
<i>Excess of Revenues over Expenses</i>	<u>US\$2,454,000</u>

Financial Impacts of February 2007 Board Meeting

<i>Revenues</i>		
Total Modifications		\$0
<i>Revenues</i>		US\$85,277,000
<i>Expenses</i>		
Total Modifications		\$0
<i>Expenses</i>		<u>82,823,000</u>
Excess of Revenues over Expenses		<u>US\$2,454,000</u>

Budget Variances Approved at November 2006 Meeting US\$102,958

Budget Variances Approved at February 2007 Meeting

<u>Decision</u>			
166	Report of Ad-Hoc Committee to Review RI Conventions	5,000	
167	2006 (Malmö/Copenhagen) HOC Financial Request	17,000	
191	Extension to Libya	2,900	
206	Report on Public Relations Grants	750,000	774,900
Total Variances			<u>US\$877,858</u>

Financial Impact of February Decisions on Future Years

	2008	2009	2010
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
<i>Expenses</i>			
<u>Decision</u>			
168	2008 Youth Preconvention Meetings (Los Angeles)	26,500	
193	Extension of Training Subsidy for Districts 1420 & 1460	40,600	42,600
197	Presidential Membership Conferences	50,000	
198	Membership Recognition Program	2,000	
202	Status and Future of the RI Web Site	40,000	
<i>Total Expenses</i>	<u>159,100</u>	<u>41,500</u>	<u>42,600</u>
Total Financial Impact on Future Years	<u>US\$159,100</u>	<u>US\$41,500</u>	<u>US\$42,600</u>

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