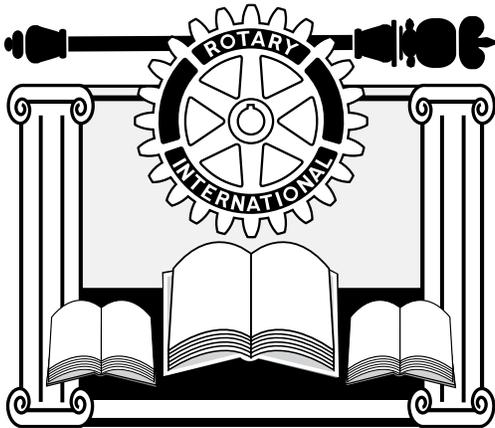


# REPORT OF ACTION

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Dear Rotarians:

The Council on Legislation of Rotary International met 21-26 April 2013 in Chicago, Illinois, USA. In accordance with section 8.140.2. of the bylaws of RI, I am issuing this report on the actions taken by the Council, including the text of the 59 pieces of adopted legislation.

The Council considered 173 pieces of proposed legislation. These included 142 enactments (proposals to amend the constitutional documents of RI) and 31 resolutions (proposals which do not seek to amend the constitutional documents of RI). Of these, the Council adopted 53 enactments and 6 resolutions. The Council referred 8 pieces to the RI Board for further study. The Council rejected 81 proposals, and 52 proposals were withdrawn or considered withdrawn. Of the 59 adopted proposals, the Council adopted 44 exactly as they were proposed, while 15 were adopted with amendments. Those adopted with amendments are noted in the report by an asterisk (\*) after the number of the proposal. You will note that, where necessitated by amendments, the titles of the proposals have been changed to accurately reflect the final intent of the legislation.

The legislation contained in this report is presented in the format used by the Council. It illustrates changes to the current constitutional documents of RI by underlining new text and lining through deleted text.

As you study these items of legislation, please bear in mind that each piece of legislation must stand alone as it was adopted. Each adopted enactment was drafted to achieve its individual purpose by amending the constitutional documents as they currently exist. Where two or more pieces seek to change the same section of a document, all overlapping and correlative changes will be made in the production of the 2013 *Manual of Procedure*.

At the end of this report is an "Opposition to Legislation Report Form." In accordance with section 8.140.3. of the RI Bylaws, any club may use this form to record its opposition to any adopted enactment or resolution. Completed forms **must** reach RI Headquarters in Evanston by 23 August 2013. If, by that time, the required number of votes in opposition have been filed regarding any item of legislation adopted by the Council, that item will be considered suspended. A ballot will then be prepared and distributed to each club within one month of the suspension. The ballot will submit the question of whether the action of the Council should be sustained in regard to the suspended item of legislation. The ballot will be conducted according to the provisions of sections 8.140.5., 8.140.6. and 8.140.7. of the RI Bylaws. Based on the results of the ballot, the suspended item will either be nullified or reinstated.

Please note that a club should complete and return the form at the end of this report only if it wishes to oppose some action by the Council. If a club does not wish to oppose an action of the 2013 Council on Legislation, no action is required.

*John Hewko*

John Hewko  
General Secretary

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## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-01

To amend the provisions for club reports

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 232 MOP)

### Article 17 Fiscal Matters

#### 17.020. Club Reports.

Each club shall certify to the board the number of its members on 1 July and on 1 January in each year. This certificate shall be signed by the club president and secretary and shall be transmitted to the general secretary. The certified club report shall be circulated to the club members.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-02

To provide that the club secretary shall be a member of the board

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 249 MOP)

### Article 10 Directors and Officers

**Section 4 — Officers.** The club officers shall be a president, the immediate past president, a president-elect, ~~and one or more vice-presidents, and a secretary,~~ all of whom shall be members of the board, and ~~a secretary,~~ a treasurer, and a sergeant-at-arms, who may or may not be members of the board as the bylaws shall provide.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-03

To amend the provisions for club officers

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 249 MOP)

### Article 10 Directors and Officers

**Section 4 — Officers.** The club officers shall be a president, the immediate past president, and a president-elect, and may include one or more vice-presidents, all of whom shall be members of the board, and a secretary, a treasurer, and may include a

sergeant-at-arms, ~~who may or may not~~ all of whom may be members of the board as the bylaws shall provide.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-06**

To amend the qualifications for club president

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (pages 249-250 MOP)

### **Article 10 Directors and Officers**

#### **Section 5 — *Election of Officers.***

- (c) *Qualifications.* Each officer and director shall be a member in good standing of this club. A candidate for the office of president shall have served as a member of this club for at least one year prior to being nominated for such office, except where service for less than a full year may be determined by the district governor to satisfy the intent of this requirement. The president-elect shall attend the district presidents-elect training seminar and the district assembly unless excused by the governor-elect. If so excused, the president-elect shall send a designated club representative who shall report back to the president-elect. If the president-elect does not attend the presidents-elect training seminar and the district assembly and has not been excused by the governor-elect or, if so excused, does not send a designated club representative to such meetings, the president-elect shall not be able to serve as club president. In such event, the current president shall continue to serve until a successor who has attended a presidents-elect training seminar and district assembly or training deemed sufficient by the governor-elect has been duly elected.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-08**

To exempt former members of a club from a second admission fee

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 250 MOP)

### **Article 11 Admission Fees and Dues**

Every member shall pay an admission fee and annual dues as prescribed in the bylaws, except that any transferring or former member of another club who is accepted into membership of this club pursuant to article 7, section 4(a) or any former member of this

club who rejoins this club, shall not be required to pay a second admission fee. A Rotaractor who ceased to be a member of Rotaract within the preceding two years, who is accepted into membership of this club, shall not be required to pay an admission fee.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-12\***

To amend the attendance provisions to include service requirements

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

in article 9 (page 247 MOP)

### **Article 9 Attendance**

**(Select one introductory paragraph to Section 1)**

**Section 1** — *General Provisions*. Each member should attend this club's regular meetings and engage in this club's service projects, other events and activities. A member shall be counted as attending a regular meeting if the member is present for at least 60 percent of the meeting, or is present and is called away unexpectedly and subsequently produces evidence to the satisfaction of the board that such action was reasonable, or makes up for an absence in any of the following ways:

and in article 12 (page 251 MOP)

### **Article 12 Duration of Membership**

**Section 4** — *Termination – Non-attendance*.

- (a) *Attendance Percentages*. A member must
- (1) attend or make up at least 50 percent of club regular meetings or engage in club projects, other events and activities for at least 12 hours in each half of the year, or a proportionate combination of both;
  - (2) attend at least 30 percent of this club's regular meetings or engage in club projects, other events and activities in each half of the year (assistant governors, as defined by the board of directors of RI, shall be excused from this requirement).

If a member fails to attend as required, the member's membership shall be subject to termination unless the board consents to such non-attendance for good cause.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-14

To amend the provisions for non-attendance

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 251 MOP)

### Article 12 Duration of Membership

#### Section 4 — *Termination – Non-attendance.*

- (a) *Attendance Percentages.* A member must
- (1) attend or make up at least 50 percent of club regular meetings in each half of the year;
  - (2) attend at least 30 percent of this club's regular meetings in each half of the year (assistant governors, as defined by the board of directors of RI, shall be excused from this requirement).

If a member fails to attend as required, the member's membership ~~shall~~ may be subject to termination unless the board consents to such non-attendance for good cause.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-22

To amend the provisions for excused absences

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (pages 248-249 MOP)

### Article 9 Attendance

#### Section 3 — *Excused Absences.* A member's absence shall be excused if

- (a) the absence complies with the conditions and under circumstances approved by the board. The board may excuse a member's absence for reasons which it considers to be good and sufficient. Such excused absences shall not extend for longer than twelve months. However, if the leave is for a medical reason that extends for more than twelve months such leave may be renewed by the board for a period of time beyond the original twelve months. Such leave for medical purposes shall not be counted as an absence for purposes of attendance records of the club.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-23

To amend the provisions for excused absences

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 249 MOP)

### Article 9 Attendance

**Section 3** — *Excused Absences.* A member's absence shall be excused if

- (b) ~~the age of the member is 65 and above and~~ the aggregate of the member's years of age and years of membership in one or more clubs is 85 years or more and the member has notified the club secretary in writing of the member's desire to be excused from attendance and the board has approved.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-27\*

To amend the provisions for RI officers' excused absences

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 249 MOP)

### Article 9 Attendance

**Section 4** — *RI Officers' Absences.* A member's absence shall be excused if the member is a current officer of RI or a Rotarian partner of a current officer of RI.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-28

To amend the provisions for calculating attendance records

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 249 MOP)

### Article 9 Attendance

**Section 5** — *Attendance Records.* When a member whose absences are excused under the provision of subsection 3(a) of this article fails to attend a club meeting, the member and the member's absence shall not be included in the attendance records. In the event that a member whose absences are excused under the provisions of subsection 3(b) or

section 4 of this article attends a club meeting, the member and the member's attendance shall be included in the membership and attendance figures used to compute this club's attendance.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-32\***

To provide for satellite clubs

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

in article 1 (page 175 MOP)

### **Article 1 Definitions**

As used in the bylaws, unless the context otherwise clearly requires, the words in this article shall have the following meanings:

1. Board: The Board of Directors of Rotary International.
2. Club: A Rotary club.
3. Constitutional documents: The Rotary International constitution and bylaws and the standard Rotary club constitution.
4. E-club: A Rotary club that meets through electronic communications.
5. Governor: The governor of a Rotary district.
6. Member: A member, other than an honorary member, of a Rotary club.
7. RI: Rotary International.
8. RIBI: The administrative territorial unit of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland.
9. Satellite club: A potential club whose members shall also be members of the sponsor club.
- ~~9-10.~~ Year: The twelve-month period which begins on 1 July.

and in article 4 (pages 179-180 MOP)

### **Article 4 Membership in Clubs**

#### **4.040. Dual Membership.**

No person shall simultaneously hold active membership in more than one club, other than in a satellite of that club. No person shall simultaneously be a member and an honorary member in the same club. No person shall simultaneously hold active membership in a club and membership in a Rotaract club.

#### **4.100. Attendance at Other Clubs.**

Every member shall have the privilege of attending the regular meeting or satellite club meeting of any other club except for a club that previously terminated the membership of said person for good cause.

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

in article 1 (page 243 MOP)

**Article 1 Definitions**

As used in this constitution, unless the context otherwise clearly requires, the words in this article shall have the following meanings:

- 1. Board: The Board of Directors of this club.
- 2. Bylaws: The bylaws of this club.
- 3. Director: A member of this club's Board of Directors.
- 4. Member: A member, other than an honorary member, of this club.
- 5. RI: Rotary International.
- 6. Satellite club A potential club whose members shall also be members of  
(when applicable): this club.
- ~~6-7.~~ Year: The twelve-month period which begins on 1 July.

and in article 2 (page 243 MOP)

**Article 2 Name (select one)**

The name of this organization shall be Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Member of Rotary International)

or

The name of this organization shall be Rotary E-Club of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Member of Rotary International)

(a) The name of a satellite of this club (when applicable) shall be Rotary Satellite Club  
of \_\_\_\_\_  
(A satellite of Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_)

and in article 6 (pages 244-245 MOP)

**Article 6 Meetings**

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

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

**Section 3** — *Satellite Club Meeting (When Applicable)*. If provided in the bylaws, a satellite club shall hold regular weekly meetings at a place and at a time and day decided by its members. The day, time and place of the meeting may be changed in a

similar way to that provided for the club's regular meetings in section 1(b) of this article. A satellite club meeting may be cancelled for any of the reasons enumerated in section 1(c) of this article. Voting procedures shall be as provided in the bylaws.

and in article 7 (page 246 MOP)

## **Article 7 Membership**

**Section 5** — *Satellite Club Membership.* Members of a satellite club shall also be members of the sponsor club until such time as the satellite club shall be admitted into membership of RI as a Rotary club.

**Section 56** — *Dual Membership.* No person shall simultaneously hold active membership in this and another club other than a satellite of this club. No person shall simultaneously be a member and an honorary member in this club. No person shall simultaneously hold active membership in this club and membership in a Rotaract club.

(Subsequent sections will be renumbered as appropriate)

and in article 9 (pages 247-248 MOP)

## **Article 9 Attendance**

**(Select one introductory paragraph to Section 1)**

**Section 1** — *General Provisions.* Each member should attend this club's regular meetings, or satellite club's regular meetings if provided in the bylaws. A member shall be counted as attending a regular meeting if the member is present for at least 60 percent of the meeting, or is present and is called away unexpectedly and subsequently produces evidence to the satisfaction of the board that such action was reasonable, or makes up for an absence in any of the following ways:

or

**Section 1 (for e-Clubs)** — *General Provisions.* Each member should attend this club's regular meetings. A member shall be counted as attending a regular meeting if the member participates in the regular meeting posted on the club's Web site within one week following its posting, or makes up a missed meeting in any of the following ways:

- (a) *14 Days Before or After the Meeting.* If, within fourteen (14) days before or after the regular time for that meeting, the member
- (1) attends at least 60 percent of the regular meeting of another club, of a satellite club meeting of another club, or of a provisional club; or
  - (2) attends a regular meeting of a Rotaract or Interact club, Rotary Community Corps, or Rotary Fellowship or of a provisional Rotaract or Interact club, Rotary Community Corps, or Rotary Fellowship; or
  - (3) attends a convention of RI, a council on legislation, an international assembly, a Rotary institute for past and present officers of RI, a Rotary institute for past, present, and incoming officers of RI, or any other meeting convened

with the approval of the board of directors of RI or the president of RI acting on behalf of the board of directors of RI, a Rotary multizone conference, a meeting of a committee of RI, a Rotary district conference, a Rotary district assembly, any district meeting held by direction of the board of directors of RI, any district committee meeting held by direction of the district governor, or a regularly announced intercity meeting of Rotary clubs; or

- (4) is present at the usual time and place of a regular meeting or satellite club meeting of another club for the purpose of attending such meeting, but that club is not meeting at that time or place; or
- (5) attends and participates in a club service project or a club-sponsored community event or meeting authorized by the board; or
- (6) attends a board meeting or, if authorized by the board, a meeting of a service committee to which the member is assigned; or
- (7) participates through a club web site in an interactive activity requiring an average of 30 minutes of participation.

When a member is outside the member's country of residence for more than fourteen (14) days, the time restriction shall not be imposed so that the member may attend regular meetings or satellite club meetings in another country at any time during the travel period, and each such attendance shall count as a valid make-up for any regular meeting missed during the member's time abroad.

and in article 10 (pages 249-250 MOP)

## **Article 10 Directors and Officers**

**Section 4 — Officers.** The club officers shall be a president, the immediate past president, a president-elect, and one or more vice-presidents, all of whom shall be members of the board, and a secretary, a treasurer, and a sergeant-at-arms, who may or may not be members of the board as the bylaws shall provide. Club officers shall regularly attend satellite club meetings.

**Section 6 — Governance of a Satellite Club of This Club (When Applicable).** A satellite club shall be located in the same locality as the sponsor club or in the surrounding area.

- (a) Satellite Club Oversight. The sponsor club shall provide such general oversight and support of a satellite club as is deemed appropriate by the sponsor club's board.
- (b) Satellite Club Board. For the day-to-day governance of a satellite club, it shall have its own annually elected board drawn from its members and comprising the officers of the satellite club and four to six other members as the bylaws shall provide. The highest officer of the satellite club shall be the chairman and other officers shall be immediate past chairman, chairman-elect, secretary and treasurer. The satellite board shall be responsible for the day-to-day organization and management of the satellite club and its activities in accordance with Rotary rules, requirements, policies, aims and objectives under the guidance of its sponsor club. It shall have no authority within, or over, the sponsor club.
- (c) Satellite Club Reporting Procedure. A satellite club shall, annually, submit to the president and board of its sponsor club a report on its membership, its activities and programs, accompanied by a financial statement and audited accounts, for

inclusion in the sponsor club's reports for its annual general meeting and such other reports as may, from time to time, be required by the sponsor club.

and in article 12 (page 251 MOP)

## **Article 12 Duration of Membership**

### **Section 4 — Termination – Non-attendance.**

- (a) *Attendance Percentages.* A member must
- (1) attend or make up at least 50 percent of club regular meetings or satellite club meetings in each half of the year;
  - (2) attend at least 30 percent of this club's regular meetings or satellite club meetings in each half of the year (assistant governors, as defined by the board of directors of RI, shall be excused from this requirement).

If a member fails to attend as required, the member's membership shall be subject to termination unless the board consents to such non-attendance for good cause.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-43\***

To allow people who have not worked or interrupted their work to be active members

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the CONSTITUTION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby is amended as follows (page 168 MOP)

## **Article 5 Membership**

### **Section 2 — Composition of Clubs.**

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

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-48

To amend the provisions for termination of membership

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 251 MOP)

### Article 12 Duration of Membership

#### Section 5 — Termination – Other Causes.

- (a) *Good Cause.* The board may terminate the membership of any member who ceases to have the qualifications for membership in this club or for any good cause by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the board members present and voting, at a meeting called for that purpose. The guiding principles for this meeting shall be article 7, section 1; The Four-Way Test; and the high ethical standards that one should hold as a Rotary club member.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-49

To amend the provisions for transferring and former Rotarians

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 178 MOP)

### Article 4 Membership in Clubs

#### 4.030. *Transferring or Former Rotarian.*

A member may propose to active membership a transferring member or former member of a club, ~~if the proposed member is terminating or has terminated such membership in the former club due to no longer being engaged in the formerly assigned classification of business or profession in the locality of the former club or the surrounding area.~~ The transferring or former member of a club being proposed to active membership under this section may also be proposed by the former club. The classification of a transferring or former member of a club shall not preclude election to active membership even if the election results in club membership temporarily exceeding the classification limits. It is recommended that any club wishing to admit a former member demand that the potential member provide written proof from the previous club that all debts have been paid. The admission of a transferring or former Rotarian as an active member pursuant to this section shall be contingent upon receiving a certificate from the board of the previous club confirming the prospective member's prior membership in that club.

IT IS FURTHER ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (pages 245-246 MOP)

## Article 7 Membership

### Section 4 — *Transferring or Former Rotarian.*

- (a) *Potential Members.* A member may propose to active membership a transferring member or former member of a club, ~~if the proposed member is terminating or has terminated such membership in the former club due to no longer being engaged in the formerly assigned classification of business or profession within the locality of the former club or the surrounding area.~~ The transferring or former member of a club being proposed to active membership under this section may also be proposed by the former club. The classification of a transferring or former member of a club shall not preclude election to active membership even if the election results in club membership temporarily exceeding the classification limits. Potential members of this club who are current or former members of another club who have debts to the other club are ineligible for membership in this club. This club may demand that a potential member present written proof that no money is owed to the other club. The admission of a transferring or former Rotarian as an active member pursuant to this section shall be contingent upon receiving a certificate from the board of the previous club confirming the prospective member's prior membership in that club.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-51\*

To amend the provisions for transferring and former Rotarians

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 178 MOP)

### Article 4 Membership in Clubs

#### 4.030. *Transferring or Former Rotarian.*

A member may propose to active membership a transferring member or former member of a club, if the proposed member is terminating or has terminated such membership in the former club due to no longer being engaged in the formerly assigned classification of business or profession in the locality of the former club or the surrounding area. The transferring or former member of a club being proposed to active membership under this section may also be proposed by the former club. The classification of a transferring or former member of a club shall not preclude election to active membership even if the election results in club membership temporarily exceeding the classification limits. ~~It is recommended that any~~Any club wishing to admit a former member should demand that the potential member provide written proof from the previous club that all debts have been paid. The admission of a transferring or former Rotarian as an active member pursuant to this section shall be contingent upon receiving a certificate from the board of the previous club confirming the prospective member's prior membership in that club. The transferring or former members changing clubs should be asked to bring a letter of recommendation from their previous club.

IT IS FURTHER ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (pages 245-246 MOP)

## **Article 7 Membership**

### **Section 4 — *Transferring or Former Rotarian.***

- (a) *Potential Members.* A member may propose to active membership a transferring member or former member of a club, if the proposed member is terminating or has terminated such membership in the former club due to no longer being engaged in the formerly assigned classification of business or profession within the locality of the former club or the surrounding area. The transferring or former member of a club being proposed to active membership under this section may also be proposed by the former club. The classification of a transferring or former member of a club shall not preclude election to active membership even if the election results in club membership temporarily exceeding the classification limits. Potential members of this club who are current or former members of another club who have debts to the other club are ineligible for membership in this club. ~~This club may~~The club should demand that a potential member present written proof that no money is owed to the other club. The admission of a transferring or former Rotarian as an active member pursuant to this section shall be contingent upon receiving a certificate from the board of the previous club confirming the prospective member's prior membership in that club. The transferring or former members changing clubs should be asked to bring a letter of recommendation from their previous club.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-52\***

To amend the provisions for transferring and former Rotarians

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 246 MOP)

## **Article 7 Membership**

### **Section 4 — *Transferring or Former Rotarian.***

- (b) *Current or Former Members.* This club shall provide a statement whether money is owed to this club when requested by another club with respect to a current or former member of this club being considered for membership in the other club. If such a statement is not provided within 30 days of being requested, it shall be assumed that the concerned member does not owe any money to this club.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-53

To allow honorary members to wear the RI emblem

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the CONSTITUTION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby is amended as follows (page 171 MOP)

### Article 13 Membership Title and Insignia

**Section 1 — *Active Members.*** Every active member of a club shall be known as a Rotarian, and shall be entitled to wear the emblem, badge, or other insignia of RI.

**Section 2 — *Honorary Members.*** Every honorary member of a club shall be known as an honorary Rotarian, and shall be entitled to wear the emblem, badge, or other insignia of RI as long as that member holds honorary membership in the club.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-54

To remove the limitation on the number of e-clubs in each district

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

in article 2 (page 175 MOP)

### Article 2 Membership in Rotary International

#### 2.010. *Application for Membership in RI.*

A club seeking admission to membership in RI shall apply to the board. The application shall be accompanied by the admission fee as determined by the board. The fee shall be in US currency or equivalent currency of the country in which the club is located. Membership shall become effective on the date such application is approved by the board.

#### 2.010.1. *E-Clubs.*

The board shall assign each e-club to a district. ~~There shall be no more than two e-clubs in a district.~~

and in article 15 (page 222 MOP)

### Article 15 Districts

#### 15.010. *How Established.*

The board is authorized to group the clubs into districts. The president shall promulgate a list of such districts and their boundaries. Such action shall be at the direction of the board. The board may assign an e-club to any district without regard to the boundaries of such district ~~so long as there are no more than two e-clubs in any district.~~ The board may eliminate or change the boundaries of any district with fewer than 33 clubs or fewer than

1,200 Rotarians. No change shall be made to the boundaries of any district with 33 or more clubs and 1,200 or more Rotarians over the objection of a majority of the total number of clubs in the district. The board may eliminate or change the boundaries of a district only after consulting with and providing reasonable opportunity for the governors and clubs of the districts involved to provide a recommendation on the proposed change. The board shall take into account geographical boundaries, potential for district growth, and cultural, economic, language, and other relevant factors.

*15.010.1. Clubs in the Same Area.*

Where several clubs coexist in the same city, borough, municipal, or urban area, they shall not be assigned to different districts without the approval of the majority of such clubs. The clubs coexisting in the same locality, ~~other than e-clubs~~, have the right to be assigned to the same district. Such right may be exercised by petition to the board from a majority of said clubs. The board shall assign all the coexisting clubs to the same district within two years of receipt of such petition.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-58\***

To change the term “district assembly” to “district training assembly”

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (pages 223-228 MOP)

### **Article 15 Districts**

**15.020.** *District Training Assembly.*

A district training assembly, which may be a multidistrict training assembly, shall be held annually, preferably in March, April or May, to develop Rotary club leaders who have the necessary skills, knowledge, and motivation to: sustain and/or grow their membership base; implement successful projects that address the needs of their communities and communities in other countries; and support The Rotary Foundation through both program participation and financial contributions. The governor-elect shall be responsible for the district training assembly. The district training assembly shall be planned and conducted under the direction and supervision of the governors-elect. In special circumstances, the board may authorize the holding of a district training assembly at a date other than provided herein. Those specifically invited shall include the incoming presidents and the members of clubs assigned by the incoming president to serve in key leadership roles in the upcoming year.

**15.040.** *District Conference.*

*15.040.1. Time and Place.*

A conference of Rotarians of each district shall be held annually at such time and place as agreed upon by the governor and the presidents of a majority of the clubs of the district. The conference dates shall not conflict with the district training assembly, the

international assembly, or the international convention. The board may authorize two or more districts to hold their conferences together.

**15.060. District Finances.**

**15.060.2. Approval of Levy.**

The District Fund shall be financed by all clubs in the district by way of a per capita levy on the members of those clubs. The amount of the levy shall be decided by

- (a) the district training assembly after the approval of three-fourths of incoming club presidents present, provided that where a president-elect is excused from attending the district training assembly by the governor-elect in accordance with article 10, section 5(c) of the standard club constitution, the designated representative of the president-elect shall be entitled to vote in the president-elect's place, or, at the option of the district,

**15.090. Duties of a Governor.**

The governor is the officer of RI in the district, functioning under the general control and supervision of the board. The governor is charged with the duty of furthering the Object of Rotary by providing leadership and supervision of the clubs in the district. The governor should work with district and club leaders to encourage participation in a district leadership plan as may be developed by the board. The governor shall provide inspiration and motivation to the clubs in the district. The governor shall also ensure continuity within the district by working with past, current, and incoming district leaders in fostering effective clubs. The governor shall be responsible for the following activities in the district:

- (f) planning for and presiding at the district conference and assisting the governor-elect in the planning and preparation for the presidents-elect training seminar and the district training assembly;

**15.120. District Ballot-by-Mail.**

All decisions and elections that the bylaws specify occur at a district conference or district training assembly may be made by the clubs of a district by a ballot-by-mail. Such ballot-by-mail shall follow as near as possible the procedures in section 13.040.

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

in article 9 (pages 247-248 MOP)

**Article 9 Attendance**

**(Select one introductory paragraph to Section 1)**

- Section 1 — General Provisions.** Each member should attend this club's regular meetings. A member shall be counted as attending a regular meeting if the member is present for at least 60 percent of the meeting, or is present and is called away unexpectedly and subsequently produces evidence to the satisfaction of the board that such action was reasonable, or makes up for an absence in any of the following ways:

or

- Section 1 (for e-Clubs) — General Provisions.** Each member should attend this club's regular meetings. A member shall be counted as attending a regular meeting if the member participates in the regular meeting posted on the club's Web site within one week following its posting, or makes up a missed meeting in any of the following ways:
- (a) *14 Days Before or After the Meeting.* If, within fourteen (14) days before or after the regular time for that meeting, the member
    - (1) attends at least 60 percent of the regular meeting of another club or of a provisional club; or
    - (2) attends a regular meeting of a Rotaract or Interact club, Rotary Community Corps, or Rotary Fellowship or of a provisional Rotaract or Interact club, Rotary Community Corps, or Rotary Fellowship; or
    - (3) attends a convention of RI, a council on legislation, an international assembly, a Rotary institute for past and present officers of RI, a Rotary institute for past, present, and incoming officers of RI, or any other meeting convened with the approval of the board of directors of RI or the president of RI acting on behalf of the board of directors of RI, a Rotary multizone conference, a meeting of a committee of RI, a Rotary district conference, a Rotary district training assembly, any district meeting held by direction of the board of directors of RI, any district committee meeting held by direction of the district governor, or a regularly announced intercity meeting of Rotary clubs; or

and in article 10 (pages 249-250 MOP)

## **Article 10 Directors and Officers**

### **Section 5 — Election of Officers.**

- (c) *Qualifications.* Each officer and director shall be a member in good standing of this club. The president-elect shall attend the district presidents-elect training seminar and the district training assembly unless excused by the governor-elect. If so excused, the president-elect shall send a designated club representative who shall report back to the president-elect. If the president-elect does not attend the presidents-elect training seminar and the district training assembly and has not been excused by the governor-elect or, if so excused, does not send a designated club representative to such meetings, the president-elect shall not be able to serve as club president. In such event, the current president shall continue to serve until a successor who has attended a presidents-elect training seminar and district training assembly or training deemed sufficient by the governor-elect has been duly elected.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-62

To revise district conference voting procedures

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 224 MOP)

### Article 15 Districts

#### 15.050. *Conference Voting.*

##### 15.050.2. *Conference Voting Procedures.*

Every member in good standing of a club in a district present at the district conference shall be entitled to vote on all matters submitted to a vote at such conference except for the selection of a governor-nominee, election of a member and alternate member of the nominating committee for director, composition and terms of reference of the nominating committee for governor, election of the club representative and alternate representative of the district to the council on legislation, and the decision as to the amount of the per capita levy. However, any elector shall have the right to demand a poll upon any matter presented to the conference. In such cases, voting shall be restricted to electors. When voting on the selection of the governor-nominee, election of a member and alternate member of the nominating committee for director, composition and terms of reference of the nominating committee for governor, or election of the club representative and alternate representative of the district to the council on legislation, all votes from a club with more than one vote shall be cast for the same candidate or proposition. For votes requiring or utilizing a single transferable ballot with three or more candidates, all votes from a club with more than one vote shall be cast for the same ordered choices of candidates.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-69

To amend the fifth Avenue of Service

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION be and hereby is amended as follows (page 244 MOP)

### Article 5 Five Avenues of Service

Rotary's Five Avenues of Service are the philosophical and practical framework for the work of this Rotary club.

1. Club Service, the first Avenue of Service, involves action a member should take within this club to help it function successfully.
2. Vocational Service, the second Avenue of Service, has the purpose of promoting high ethical standards in businesses and professions, recognizing the worthiness of all dignified occupations, and fostering the ideal of service in the pursuit of all vocations.

The role of members includes conducting themselves and their businesses in accordance with Rotary's principles.

3. Community Service, the third Avenue of Service, comprises varied efforts that members make, sometimes in conjunction with others, to improve the quality of life of those who live within this club's locality or municipality.
4. International Service, the fourth Avenue of Service, comprises those activities that members do to advance international understanding, goodwill, and peace by fostering acquaintance with people of other countries, their cultures, customs, accomplishments, aspirations, and problems, through reading and correspondence and through cooperation in all club activities and projects designed to help people in other lands.
5. ~~New Generations~~ Youth Service, the fifth Avenue of Service, recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities, involvement in community and international service projects, and exchange programs that enrich and foster world peace and cultural understanding.

(End of Text)

### **AMENDED ENACTMENT 13-71**

To fill a vacancy in the position of Trustee of The Rotary Foundation

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 240 MOP)

#### **Article 22 The Rotary Foundation**

##### **22.020. Trustees.**

There shall be 15 trustees, each nominated by the president-elect and elected by the board in the year prior to taking office. Four of the trustees shall be past presidents of RI. All trustees shall satisfy the qualifications listed in the Foundation's bylaws.

##### 22.020.1. Vacancies in the Office of Trustee.

In the event of a vacancy in the position of trustee, a new trustee shall be nominated by the president and elected by the board to fill the unexpired term.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-76\***

To revise the qualifications for membership on the nominating committee for president

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 204 MOP)

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

### **11.020. *Nominating Committee for President.***

#### **11.020.5. *Qualifications.***

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

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-81\***

To revise the qualifications for membership on the nominating committee for director

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 211 MOP)

## **Article 12 Nominations and Elections for Directors**

### **12.020. *Selection of Director-nominee and Alternate by Nominating Committee Procedure.***

#### **12.020.3. *Membership on Nominating Committee.***

A nominating committee shall consist of one member from each district in the zone or section elected by the clubs of such district as hereinafter provided. Each member shall be a past governor at the time they are to serve, who is a member of a club in the relevant zone or section. Such members also shall have attended at least two Rotary institutes of the zone from which the director is being nominated and one convention in the three years prior to serving on the committee, provided that a district may by a resolution adopted at a district conference by a majority of the votes of the electors of the clubs present and voting dispense with some or all of these requirements such resolution to apply only to the next nominating committee. Members shall be elected for a term of one year. The president, president-elect, any past president, director, or any past director shall not be eligible for membership on the nominating committee. No Rotarian who has served twice as a member of such a committee shall be eligible for service again. Each member shall have one vote.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-86

To revise the duties of a governor

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 227 MOP)

### Article 15 Districts

#### 15.090. *Duties of a Governor.*

The governor is the officer of RI in the district, functioning under the general control and supervision of the board. The governor is charged with the duty of furthering the Object of Rotary by providing leadership and supervision of the clubs in the district. The governor should work with district and club leaders to encourage participation in a district leadership plan as may be developed by the board. The governor shall provide inspiration and motivation to the clubs in the district. The governor shall also ensure continuity within the district by working with past, current, and incoming district leaders in fostering effective clubs. The governor shall be responsible for the following activities in the district:

- (g) providing for an official visit meeting individually or in multi-club meetings conducted throughout the year to take place at a time that maximizes the governor's presence for the purpose of:
  - 1. focusing attention on important Rotary issues;
  - 2. providing special attention to weak and struggling clubs;
  - 3. motivating Rotarians to participate in service activities; ~~and~~
  - 4. ensuring that the constitution and bylaws of the clubs comply with the constitutional documents, especially following councils on legislation; and
  - 4.5. personally recognizing the outstanding contributions of Rotarians in the district;

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-90\*

To create the title of governor-nominee-designate

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 216 MOP)

### Article 13 Nominations and Elections for Governors

#### 13.010. *Selection of a Governor-nominee.*

The district shall select a nominee for governor not more than 36 months, but not less than 24 months, prior to the day of taking office. The nominee shall assume the title of governor-nominee-designate upon selection and shall assume the title of governor-nominee on 1 July two years prior to assuming office as governor. The board shall have the authority to extend the date under this section for good and sufficient reason. The

nominee will be elected at the RI convention held immediately preceding the year in which such nominee is to be trained at the international assembly. Nominees so elected shall serve a one-year term as governor-elect and assume office on 1 July in the calendar year following election.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-93**

To amend the ballot-by-mail specifications

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 219 MOP)

#### **Article 13 Nominations and Elections for Governors**

##### **13.040. *Ballot-by-Mail Specifications.***

The governor shall prepare ~~a ballot in the form provided by the board~~one ballot for each club, giving the name of any candidate selected by the district nominating committee. The ballot shall then list in alphabetical order the names of any candidates received by the governor. Where there are more than two candidates, balloting shall be by the single transferable ballot system. The governor shall mail a copy of said ballot signed by all members of the balloting committee to each club with instructions that the completed ballot be returned to and received by the governor. The ballots shall be returned by a date fixed by the governor. Such date shall be no less than 15 days or more than 30 days following the date of the governor's mailing of the ballots to the clubs. ~~Each ballot shall represent one vote. The governor shall send each club the number of ballots corresponding to the number of votes entitled to be cast by such club.~~

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-95**

To amend the provisions for election of a governor at a district conference

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 218 MOP)

#### **Article 13 Nominations and Elections for Governors**

##### **13.020. *Nominating Procedure for Governor.***

###### **13.020.13. *Ballot at District Conference for Election of Governor-nominee.***

The ballot at the district conference will follow as closely as possible the provisions for a ballot-by-mail. All votes from a club with more than one vote shall be cast for the same

candidate failing which the votes from such club shall be deemed to be spoiled votes.  
Each club shall designate one elector to cast all of its votes.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-98\***

To amend the provisions regarding concurrences to challenges

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (pages 217-218 MOP)

#### **Article 13 Nominations and Elections for Governors**

##### **13.020. *Nominating Procedure for Governor.***

##### **13.020.9. *Concurrence to Challenges.***

The governor shall inform all clubs through a form prescribed by RI of the name of any challenging candidate who has been proposed as specified above. The governor shall also inquire whether any club wishes to concur with the challenge. A club must file a resolution of the club adopted at a regular meeting to concur with a challenge. Such resolutions must be filed with the governor by the date determined by the governor. Only challenges that have been concurred to by at least five other clubs which have been in existence for at least one year as of the beginning of that year or 10 percent of the total number of clubs as at the beginning of that year in the district which have been in existence for at least one year as of the beginning of that year, whichever is higher, and only when such resolutions by the club were adopted at a regular meeting in accordance with the club bylaws as determined by the governor shall be considered valid. A club shall concur with only one challenging candidate.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-100\***

To amend the provisions for vacancy in the office of governor

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 185 MOP)

#### **Article 6 Officers**

##### **6.120. *Vacancy in the Office of Governor.***

##### **6.120.3. *District Authority.***

The nominating committee for governor will select one available past governor to be named vice-governor. The role of the vice-governor will be to replace the governor in

case of temporary or permanent inability to continue in the performance of the governor's duties.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-101**

To amend the provisions for repeated election complaints from a district

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (pages 202-203 MOP)

#### **Article 10 Nominations and Elections for Officers – General Provisions**

##### **10.070. Election Review Procedures.**

##### *10.070.3. Repeated Election Complaints from a District.*

Notwithstanding any other provision of these bylaws or the standard club constitution:

- (a) If a district's selection of a governor-nominee has resulted in two or more election complaints under subsection 10.070.1. in the previous five-year period, and the board has upheld two or more election complaints in the previous five-year period, the board may take any or all of the following actions when it has reasonable cause to believe that RI's bylaws or election complaint procedures have been violated:
  1. disqualify the nominee and any or all candidates and select a past governor from a club in the district to serve as governor;
  2. remove from office any governor, governor-elect or governor-nominee who improperly influences or interferes in the election process; and
  3. declare that a current or past RI officer who improperly influences or interferes in the election process shall no longer be considered to be a current or past RI officer;
- (b) If a district's selection of a governor-nominee has resulted in three or more election complaints in the previous five-year period, and the board has upheld three or more election complaints in the previous five-year period, the board may dissolve the district and assign the clubs to surrounding districts. The provisions of section 15.010. shall not apply to this section.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-102\***

To amend the provisions regarding election complaints

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 203 MOP)

## **Article 10 Nominations and Elections for Officers – General Provisions**

### **10.070. Election Review Procedures.**

#### **10.070.5. Completion of Election Review Procedure.**

- (a) Rotarians and clubs are obligated to follow the election review procedure established in the bylaws as the exclusive method of contesting the right to an elective office or the result of an RI election. If a Rotarian candidate or a club acting on behalf of such a candidate fails to follow and complete the election review procedure, before seeking the intervention of any non-Rotary agency or other dispute resolution system, the Rotarian candidate shall be disqualified from the election in question and from contesting any elective office of RI in the future for a period as determined by the board.
- (b) The board may deem a club that fails to follow and complete the election review process as failing to function and take such appropriate action as necessary.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-103**

To increase the number of clubs that may participate in a pilot project from 200 to 1,000 clubs

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the CONSTITUTION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby is amended as follows (page 169 MOP)

### **Article 5 Membership**

**Section 4 — Exceptions.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this constitution or of the bylaws of RI or the standard club constitution, the board, as a pilot project, may admit into membership or permit the reorganization of up to ~~200~~1,000 clubs with provisions in their constitutions not in accordance with this constitution and bylaws of RI. Such pilot project may extend for a period not exceeding six years. Upon the conclusion of any such pilot project, the constitutions of all clubs admitted into membership or permitted to reorganize shall be the standard club constitution as in effect at that time.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-104**

To amend the provision for locality of an e-club

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 175 MOP)

## **Article 2 Membership in Rotary International**

### **2.030. *Locality of an E-Club.***

The locality of an e-club shall be worldwide or as otherwise determined by the club board.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-106\***

To amend the provisions for discipline for cause of a club

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 177 MOP)

## **Article 3 Resignation, Suspension or Termination of Membership in RI**

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

#### **3.030.5. *Discipline for Cause.***

The board may take action against a club for cause provided a copy of the charges and notice of the time and place of hearing is mailed to the president and the secretary of such club at least 30 days before such hearing. The governor of the concerned district or a past governor selected by the governor may be present at such hearing at the district's cost. Such club shall be entitled to be represented by counsel at any such hearing. Following such hearing, the board may discipline or suspend a club upon a majority vote of the entire board or expel the club upon a unanimous vote.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-109**

To revise the Board's authority to change district boundaries

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 222 MOP)

## **Article 15 Districts**

### **15.010. *How Established.***

The board is authorized to group the clubs into districts. The president shall promulgate a list of such districts and their boundaries. Such action shall be at the direction of the board. The board may assign an e-club to any district without regard to the boundaries of such district so long as there are no more than two e-clubs in any district. The board may eliminate or change the boundaries of any district with fewer than 33 clubs or fewer than ~~1,200~~1,100 Rotarians. No change shall be made to the boundaries of any district with 33

or more clubs and ~~1,200~~1,100 or more Rotarians over the objection of a majority of the total number of clubs in the district. The board may eliminate or change the boundaries of a district only after consulting with and providing reasonable opportunity for the governors and clubs of the districts involved to provide a recommendation on the proposed change. The board shall take into account geographical boundaries, potential for district growth, and cultural, economic, language, and other relevant factors.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-111**

To establish procedures to assist new districts

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 222 MOP)

#### **Article 15 Districts**

##### **15.010. *How Established.***

The board is authorized to group the clubs into districts. The president shall promulgate a list of such districts and their boundaries. Such action shall be at the direction of the board. The board may assign an e-club to any district without regard to the boundaries of such district so long as there are no more than two e-clubs in any district. The board may eliminate or change the boundaries of any district with fewer than 33 clubs or fewer than 1,200 Rotarians. No change shall be made to the boundaries of any district with 33 or more clubs and 1,200 or more Rotarians over the objection of a majority of the total number of clubs in the district. The board may eliminate or change the boundaries of a district only after consulting with and providing reasonable opportunity for the governors and clubs of the districts involved to provide a recommendation on the proposed change. The board shall take into account geographical boundaries, potential for district growth, and cultural, economic, language, and other relevant factors. The board shall establish procedures as to administration, leadership and representation for future or merged districts.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-112**

To amend the terms of reference for the Operations Review Committee

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (pages 231-232 MOP)

## Article 16 Committees

### 16.120. *Operations Review Committee.*

The board shall appoint an operations review committee to be composed of six members, each of whom shall serve a single term not exceeding six years with ~~two members~~ one member appointed every ~~other~~ year as appropriate to maintain a committee of six members. No member of the committee shall be a past president or current member of the board or The Rotary Foundation trustees. Membership shall be selected so that qualifications provide a balance in membership with Rotarians experienced in management, leadership development, or financial management. The committee shall ~~meet up to three times per year~~ at such times and places and upon such notice as may be determined by the president, or the board, ~~or the chairman of the committee and, if deemed necessary by the president or the board, additional times during the year at such times and places and upon such notice as may be determined by the president or the board.~~ As deemed necessary by the board or the president, the operations review committee may review all financial ~~operational~~ matters, including but not limited to ~~RI financial reports, the external audit, the system of internal accounting control, internal audit, and shall review~~ the effectiveness and efficiency of operations, administrative procedures, standards of conduct, and other ~~operational and financial~~ matters as necessary. The committee, which shall act only in an advisory capacity to the board, shall function under such terms of reference not in conflict with the provisions of this section, as may be prescribed by the board. The operations review committee shall report directly to the full board.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-113\*

To amend the terms of reference for the Strategic Planning Committee

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (pages 230-231 MOP)

## Article 16 Committees

### 16.100. *Strategic Planning Committee.*

The board shall appoint a strategic planning committee to be composed of six members, four of whom shall serve a single term for a six-year period with two members appointed every third year and two of whom shall be members of the board appointed annually. No member of the committee shall be a past president ~~or current trustee of The Rotary Foundation~~. Membership shall be selected so that qualifications provide a balance in membership with Rotarians experienced in long-term planning, RI programs and activities, and financial management. The committee shall ~~meet once per year~~ at such times and places and upon such notice as may be determined by the president, or the board, ~~or the chairman of the committee, and if deemed necessary by the president or the board, additional times during the year at such times and places and upon such notice as may be determined by the president or the board.~~ The strategic planning committee shall

develop, recommend and update a strategic plan for consideration by the board, survey Rotarians and clubs not less than every three years in discharge of its duties to review and make recommendations to the board pertaining to the strategic plan, ~~review and counsel the president-elect on the program for the upcoming year to determine whether such program is consistent with the strategic plan,~~ and undertake other duties assigned by the board; it shall take into account studies of the change in the number of potential Rotarians on each continent, including in countries that may open soon to expansion, in order to predict the impact of such change on the membership in each zone.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-114**

To amend the powers of the Board to include oversight of the RI Strategic Plan

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (pages 180-181 MOP)

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

##### **5.010. Duties of the Board.**

The board is responsible for doing whatever may be necessary for the furtherance of the purposes of RI, the attainment of the Object of Rotary, the study and teaching of its fundamentals, the preservation of its ideals, ethics, and unique features of organization, and its extension throughout the world. In order to fulfill the purposes of article 3 of the RI constitution, the board shall adopt a strategic plan. The board shall oversee its implementation in each zone. The board shall report on the progress of the strategic plan at each meeting of the council on legislation.

##### **5.040. Powers of the Board.**

###### 5.040.3. Oversight of the Implementation of the RI Strategic Plan.

The director oversees the implementation of RI's strategic plan within the zone from which he/she was elected and the alternate zone.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-119**

To allow clubs not in the United States or Canada to decide if the Rotary magazine will be distributed as a print copy or through the Internet

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 239 MOP)

## Article 20 Official Magazine

### 20.030. *Subscription to Magazines.*

#### 20.030.1. *Required Subscription.*

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

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-120

To remove the travel reimbursement policy from the RI Bylaws

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 236 MOP)

## Article 17 Fiscal Matters

### ~~17.090. *Travel.*~~

~~All persons traveling at the cost of RI or The Rotary Foundation without regard to their office (past or present), or purpose of travel, (but with the exception of the past presidents, president, president-elect, directors, chair of the trustees and trustees of The Rotary Foundation and the general secretary and their partners), shall be ticketed, or reimbursed, at any available economy fare which will serve the RI or The Rotary Foundation purposes of the journey. Any itinerary variation made to suit personal needs shall be at the cost of the traveler. The president, president-elect, chair of the trustees of The Rotary Foundation and the general secretary and their partners, shall, during their term of office, travel in the highest available of business class or first class and thereafter shall travel in the highest available of business class or economy class. Serving directors or trustees shall, during their term of office, travel the lowest available of business class or first class.~~

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-126

To increase per capita dues

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 232 MOP)

## Article 17 Fiscal Matters

### 17.030. Dues.

#### 17.030.1. Per Capita Dues.

Each club shall pay to RI per capita dues for each of its members as follows: ~~US\$25.00 per half year in 2010-2011, US\$25.50 per half year in 2011-2012, US\$26.00 per half year in 2012-2013, and~~ US\$26.50 per half year in 2013-2014, US\$27.00 per half year in 2014-2015, US\$27.50 per half year in 2015-2016, and US\$28.00 per half year in 2016-2017 and thereafter; provided that each club shall pay semiannually to RI a minimum of ~~US\$250.00 in 2010-2011, US\$255.00 in 2011-2012, US\$260.00 in 2012-2013, and~~ US\$265.00 in 2013-2014, US\$270.00 in 2014-2015, US\$275.00 in 2015-2016, and US\$280.00 in 2016-2017 and thereafter. Such dues shall remain constant until changed by the council on legislation.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-128

To eliminate the minimum semiannual dues paid by each club

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 232 MOP)

## Article 17 Fiscal Matters

### 17.030. Dues.

#### 17.030.1. Per Capita Dues.

Each club shall pay to RI per capita dues for each of its members as follows: ~~US\$25.00 per half year in 2010-2011, US\$25.50 per half year in 2011-2012, US\$26.00 per half year in 2012-2013, and~~ US\$26.50 per half year in 2013-2014 and thereafter; provided that each club shall pay semiannually to RI a minimum of US\$250.00 in 2010-2011, US\$255.00 in 2011-2012, US\$260.00 in 2012-2013, and US\$265.00 in 2013-2014 and thereafter. Such dues shall remain constant until changed by the council on legislation.

#### 17.030.2. Additional Dues.

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

expenses of the council, in a manner to be determined by the board. The board shall furnish the clubs an accounting of receipts and expenditures.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-130**

To reduce or waive per capita dues in the event of natural disasters

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 232 MOP)

#### **Article 17 Fiscal Matters**

##### **17.030. Dues.**

###### *17.030.3. Return or Reduction of Dues.*

The board may return to any club such portion of said dues as the board deems just. Upon request, the board may reduce or postpone the amount of per capita dues payable by a club whose locality has sustained serious damage due to natural or similar disasters.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-134**

To revise the dues payable by RIBI and to eliminate the RIBI contribution to the unrestricted net assets of RI

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 233 MOP)

#### **Article 17 Fiscal Matters**

##### **17.030. Dues.**

###### *17.030.4. Dues Payable by RIBI.*

Each club in RIBI shall pay its per capita dues to RI as provided in subsection 17.030.1., through RIBI, acting on behalf of RI. ~~The amount of the total per capita dues paid to RI each half year in accordance with the provisions of subsection 17.030.1., by clubs in RIBI to be retained by RI, shall be no less than one-half of the portion of the expenses of RI expended annually on behalf of the clubs in RIBI. The balance of the per capita dues paid by such clubs shall be allocated to and retained by RIBI.~~ RIBI shall retain one half of the RI per capita dues assessed pursuant to subsection 17.030.1. and forward to RI the balance of such dues.

~~17.030.5. *Percentage Retained by RI.*~~

~~The amount of the per capita dues paid each half year as provided in subsection 17.030.4., by the clubs in RIBI to be retained by RI, shall be determined annually by the board and shall be applicable to per capita dues payable by the clubs in the next succeeding year. Such determination by the board shall be made on the basis of the amount of RI expenditures in the year immediately preceding that in which the determination is made, on behalf of the clubs in RIBI, including their proportionate share of the general administration expenses of RI in furthering the program of Rotary worldwide. To the amount so determined shall be added US\$1.25 each half year in 2010-2011, US\$1.50 each half year in 2011-2012, US\$1.75 each half year in 2012-2013, and US\$2.00 each half year in 2013-2014 and thereafter as a contribution to the unrestricted net assets of RI. This additional amount shall be subject to review no less often than every six years to ascertain whether such amount should be increased, remain the same, or be reduced, taking into account experience in the immediately preceding year, the current situation, and circumstances in the foreseeable future.~~

(Subsequent subsections will be renumbered as appropriate)

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-136**

To remove the provisions regarding regional conferences of RI

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

in article 10 (page 202 MOP)

### **Article 10 Nominations and Elections for Officers – General Provisions**

#### **10.070. *Election Review Procedures.***

##### **10.070.1. *Complaints.***

No complaint regarding the selection process for an RI elective office or the result of an RI election shall be considered unless made in writing by a club. Such complaint must have the concurrence of at least five other clubs or a current officer of RI. All complaints with supporting documentation shall be filed with the general secretary no later than 21 days after the results of the balloting are announced. A president's representative to a district, ~~or zone, or regional~~ meeting may also initiate a complaint where sufficient evidence of violations exists. Such representative shall refer such evidence to the general secretary. The general secretary shall act upon a complaint pursuant to published procedures of the board.

and in article 19 (page 237 MOP)

## Article 19 Other Meetings

### ~~19.030. Regional Conferences of RI.~~

~~Regional conferences of members of clubs may be called by the board. The board shall designate the clubs to participate in a regional conference. The board shall also prescribe how such conferences shall be called, their organization and conduct, rules of procedure, and all other details.~~

#### ~~19.030.1. Site.~~

~~No conference or institute organized by RI shall be held unless the board has written assurance through the government or other appropriate authority in the host country that access to the proposed site is available to all Rotarians, irrespective of citizenship, race, or religion.~~

#### ~~19.030.2. Purpose.~~

~~The purposes of regional conferences are to develop and promote acquaintance and understanding, provide a forum for the exchange of ideas, and discussion of such topics as fall within the Object of Rotary.~~

#### ~~19.030.3. Resolutions to the Board.~~

~~Regional conferences may adopt resolutions as recommendations to the board consistent with the purposes of Rotary.~~

(Subsequent sections will be renumbered as appropriate)

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-138

To revise district endorsement of club legislation and conference voting to include district resolutions meetings

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

in article 7 (pages 186-187 MOP)

### Article 7 Legislative Procedure

#### 7.030. District Endorsement of Club Legislation.

Legislation from a club must be endorsed by the clubs of the district at a district conference, a district resolutions meeting or RIBI district council. Where time does not allow legislation to be submitted to the district conference, a district resolutions meeting or RIBI district council, the legislation may be submitted to the clubs of the district through a ballot-by-mail conducted by the governor. Such ballot-by-mail shall follow the procedures in section 13.040. as closely as possible. All legislation delivered to the general secretary shall be accompanied by a certificate from the governor stating that it has been considered by the district conference, a district resolutions meeting, RIBI

district council, or in a ballot-by-mail and has been endorsed. No district should propose or endorse more than a total of five items of legislation per council.

and in article 15 (pages 223-224 MOP)

## **Article 15 Districts**

### **15.040. *District Conference and District Resolutions Meeting.***

#### *15.040.1. Time and Place.*

A conference of Rotarians of each district shall be held annually at such time and place as agreed upon by the governor and the presidents of a majority of the clubs of the district. The conference dates shall not conflict with the district assembly, the international assembly, or the international convention. The board may authorize two or more districts to hold their conferences together. Further, the district may hold a district resolutions meeting at a time and place determined by the governor and with 21 days clear notice provided to all clubs in the district.

#### *15.040.3. Conference and District Resolutions Meeting Actions.*

A district conference and district resolutions meeting may adopt recommendations upon matters of importance in its district, provided such action shall be in accordance with the constitution and bylaws and in keeping with the spirit and principles of Rotary. Each district conference and district resolutions meeting shall consider and act upon all matters submitted to it for consideration by the board and may adopt resolutions thereon.

### **15.050. *Conference and District Resolutions Meeting Voting.***

#### *15.050.1. Electors.*

Each club in a district shall select, certify, and send to its annual district conference or a district resolutions meeting at least one elector. Any club with a membership of more than 25 shall be entitled to one additional elector for each additional 25, or major fraction thereof, of its members. That is, a club with a membership of up to 37 members is entitled to one elector, a club with 38 to 62 members is entitled to two electors, a club with 63 to 87 members is entitled to three electors and so on. Such membership shall be determined by the number of members in the club as of the date of the most recent semiannual payment preceding the date on which the vote is to be held. However, any club whose membership in RI has been suspended by the board shall not be entitled to any electors. Each elector shall be a member of the club. An elector must be present at the district conference or a district resolutions meeting to vote.

#### *15.050.2. Conference and District Resolutions Meeting Voting Procedures.*

Every member in good standing of a club in a district present at the district conference or a district resolutions meeting shall be entitled to vote on all matters submitted to a vote at such conference or district resolutions meeting except for the selection of a governor-nominee, election of a member and alternate member of the nominating committee for director, composition and terms of reference of the nominating committee for governor, election of the club representative and alternate representative of the district to the council on legislation, and the decision as to the amount of the per capita levy. However, any elector shall have the right to demand a poll upon any matter presented to the

conference or district resolutions meeting. In such cases, voting shall be restricted to electors. When voting on the selection of the governor-nominee, all votes from a club with more than one vote shall be cast for the same candidate.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-141**

To amend the definition of defective legislation

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 187 MOP)

### **Article 7 Legislative Procedure**

#### **7.037. Duly Proposed Legislation; Defective Proposed Legislation.**

##### *7.037.2. Defective Legislation.*

Legislation is defective if:

- (a) it is subject to two or more inconsistent meanings;
- (b) it fails to amend all affected parts of the constitutional documents;
- (c) its adoption would violate governing law;
- (d) it is in the form of a resolution, but ~~(i) it would require an action, or express an opinion, that is in conflict with the letter or spirit of the constitutional documents; or (ii) it would require or request an administrative act that is within the discretion of the board or the general secretary;~~
- (e) it would amend the standard Rotary club constitution in a way that would conflict with the RI bylaws or the RI constitution or it would amend the RI bylaws in a way that would conflict with the RI constitution; or
- (f) it would be impossible to administer or enforce.

(End of Text)

## **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-149**

To revise the procedure for nominating Council representatives

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 193 MOP)

### **Article 8 Council on Legislation**

#### **8.060. Election of Representatives at the District Conference.**

##### *8.060.2. Nominations.*

Any club in a district may nominate a qualified member of any club in the district for representative where such member has indicated a willingness and ability to serve. The

club shall certify such nomination in writing. Such certification must include the signatures of the club president and secretary. Such nomination shall be forwarded to the governor for presentation to the electors of the clubs at the district conference. ~~Each elector at the district conference shall be entitled to cast one vote in the election of the representative.~~ All votes from clubs with more than one vote shall be cast for the same candidate, failing which the votes from such clubs shall be deemed to be spoiled votes.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-150**

To amend the provisions for electing a Council representative

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (page 193 MOP)

#### **Article 8 Council on Legislation**

**8.060.** *Election of Representatives at the District Conference.*

8.060.4. *One Candidate for Representative.*

No ballot shall be required where there is only one nominee in a district. In such cases, the governor shall declare such nominee the representative to the council. The governor shall also appoint a qualified Rotarian who is a member of a club in the district as the alternate representative.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED RESOLUTION 13-153**

To request the RI Board to consider proposing legislation to the next Council on Legislation to introduce a new category of membership: associate membership

WHEREAS, Rotary International is conducting a pilot program to introduce the new membership category of “Associate Member,” and

WHEREAS, it is noted that membership of Rotary clubs worldwide is falling. A new category of membership would assist the attraction and introduction of potential new members to ensure the continued growth of Rotary clubs, and the RI Board has approved a pilot program for 2011-2014 for associate members to be trialed

IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary International consider concluding the pilot program on 30 June 2014 and proposing legislation to the next Council on Legislation to introduce the category of “Associate Member” to allow Rotary International another avenue for membership growth.

1. The category of Associate Member would pay a reduced fee, set at 50% of normal club fees; Associate Members would have no club voting rights and would not be able to hold any position on the club board.
2. An individual would only be an Associate Member for a total of two years.
3. The club is to decide the number of club activities in which an Associate Member should be involved.
4. The number of Associate Members in any club cannot exceed 25% of the total membership of Rotarians in a club.
5. Current and former Rotarians cannot become an Associate Member of a Rotary club.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED RESOLUTION 13-157**

To request the RI Board to consider encouraging the adoption of the second Object of Rotary as the guiding principle for vocational service

IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary International consider encouraging Rotarians to adopt the second Object of Rotary as the guiding principle for practicing vocational service.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED RESOLUTION 13-166**

To request the RI Board to consider adding peace and conflict resolution activities to the areas of International Service

WHEREAS, it is important to clarify the universal responsibility among clubs and Rotarians for developing mutual goodwill and understanding between communities, and

WHEREAS, to broaden the horizons of members who do not get excited about similar parallel services executed by non-Rotary family institutions and organizations, and

WHEREAS, considering the fact that only the international power of Rotary can produce such effective international services, Rotarians, especially in recent years, are not participating in international projects and do not take initiative in international events

IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary International consider adding “Peace and conflict resolution activities” to the Areas of International Service.

#### Areas of International Service

1. Service Projects between Clubs in two or more Countries
2. International Educational and Cultural Activities

3. Special International Observances and Events
4. International Meetings
5. Peace and Conflict Resolution Activities

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED RESOLUTION 13-167**

To request the RI Board to consider establishing RI New Generations Service Day

IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary International consider establishing a Rotary International New Generations Service (RINGS) Day.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED RESOLUTION 13-168**

To request the RI Board to consider designating the Rotary Leadership Institute as an RI affiliate or as a structured program of RI

WHEREAS, the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) was founded in 1992 to assist in strengthening the leadership of Rotary clubs and train and motivate new members and potential future club leaders, and

WHEREAS, the “strengthening of Rotary clubs” is a key element of the newly adopted RI Strategic Plan, and

WHEREAS, one of the identified problems of weak Rotary clubs is the lack of training for potential club leaders, and

WHEREAS, the 2004 Council on Legislation (COL) passed a resolution requesting the Board of Directors of RI to make RLI a pilot program of RI, but the Board declined to implement such resolution, and

WHEREAS, since 2004 the number of districts involved in RLI has grown exponentially, and

WHEREAS, as of January 2011, RLI has 259 member districts that cover all or parts of 146 countries and geographical regions and all Rotary zones of the world, and is supported by an International Senior Leaders Advisory Board of more than 100 members, and

WHEREAS, Sections 8.090.2. through 8.090.4. of the current Rotary Code of Policies, adopted in 2006, provide that clubs should have a club leadership training plan and leadership training seminars to develop the personal leadership skills of club members to

develop future club leaders. The suggested seminar topic sessions are topics which are included in the Rotary Leadership Institute seminars currently being offered by the member districts of RLI around the world, and

WHEREAS, COL Resolution 10-65, enacted at the 2010 Council on Legislation, requested that the Board consider mandating governors to conduct training seminars for new Rotary club members, and

WHEREAS, RLI has conducted many thousands of quality training seminar courses for new members and potential club leaders to further both Rotary knowledge and leadership skills that have helped many Rotarians to become enthusiastic and effective club leaders, and

WHEREAS, RLI is organized into regional divisions and administered consistent with a multi-district program with the consent of districts and under the control of district governors, and

WHEREAS, all RLI activities are conducted at no cost to RI, and at great benefit to clubs and districts worldwide

IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary International consider designating the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) as an official affiliate of RI, or as a structured program of RI, operated independently by clubs and districts individually, or as multi-district service activities as provided for and regulated by the Code of Policies of the Board of RI and at no cost to RI.

(End of Text)

### **ADOPTED RESOLUTION 13-183**

To request the Trustees to consider granting an exception to the eligibility guidelines for grants for families affected by disasters

IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary International consider requesting the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation to consider granting an exception to the provision stipulating that a spouse, a lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood and any legally adopted child), a spouse of a lineal descendant, or an ancestor (parent or grandparent by blood) of any Rotarian or employee of a club, district or other Rotary entity, or of Rotary International is ineligible for any award or grant from The Rotary Foundation (Rotary Foundation Bylaws Section 9.3) to families of Rotarians who lose their lives in disasters.

(End of Text)

## ADOPTED ENACTMENT 13-200

To revise the target General Surplus Fund calculation

IT IS ENACTED by Rotary International that the BYLAWS OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL be and hereby are amended as follows (pages 234-235 MOP)

### Article 17 Fiscal Matters

#### 17.050. Budget.

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

(End of Text)

## Vote Tallies of Adopted Legislation

<b>Council Number</b>	<b>Yes Votes</b>	<b>No Votes</b>	<b>Total Votes</b>
<b>13-01</b>	311	174	485
<b>13-02</b>	285	211	496
<b>13-03</b>	Vote by Show of Cards		
<b>13-06</b>	293	184	477
<b>13-08</b>	330	158	488
<b>13-12*</b>	340	165	505
<b>13-14</b>	381	128	509
<b>13-22</b>	415	96	511
<b>13-23</b>	337	132	469
<b>13-27*</b>	347	159	506
<b>13-28</b>	265	218	483
<b>13-32*</b>	370	130	500
<b>13-43*</b>	359	165	524
<b>13-48</b>	389	131	520
<b>13-49</b>	446	65	511
<b>13-51*</b>	260	258	518
<b>13-52*</b>	403	108	511
<b>13-53</b>	448	59	507
<b>13-54</b>	295	220	515
<b>13-58*</b>	288	226	514
<b>13-62</b>	317	177	494
<b>13-69</b>	308	205	513
<b>13-71</b>	Vote by Show of Cards		
<b>13-76*</b>	366	149	515
<b>13-81*</b>	252	247	499
<b>13-86</b>	292	225	517
<b>13-90*</b>	306	197	503
<b>13-93</b>	448	64	512
<b>13-95</b>	261	245	506
<b>13-98*</b>	332	154	486

<b>Council Number</b>	<b>Yes Votes</b>	<b>No Votes</b>	<b>Total Votes</b>
<b>13-100*</b>	306	209	515
<b>13-101</b>	331	166	497
<b>13-102*</b>	350	134	484
<b>13-103</b>	447	69	516
<b>13-104</b>	276	231	507
<b>13-106*</b>	426	90	516
<b>13-109</b>	288	229	517
<b>13-111</b>	323	191	514
<b>13-112</b>	469	47	516
<b>13-113*</b>	469	50	519
<b>13-114</b>	319	199	518
<b>13-119</b>	410	95	505
<b>13-120</b>	343	175	518
<b>13-126</b>	Vote by Show of Cards		
<b>13-128</b>	264	244	508
<b>13-130</b>	348	156	504
<b>13-134</b>	378	120	498
<b>13-136</b>	462	41	503
<b>13-138</b>	Vote by Show of Cards		
<b>13-141</b>	334	174	508
<b>13-149</b>	335	172	507
<b>13-150</b>	329	180	509
<b>13-153</b>	284	219	503
<b>13-157</b>	264	240	504
<b>13-166</b>	397	109	506
<b>13-167</b>	254	251	505
<b>13-168</b>	332	181	513
<b>13-183</b>	313	184	497
<b>13-200</b>	400	83	483

## Opposition to Legislation Report Form

*This form may be duplicated if your club wishes to record its vote in opposition to more than one item of adopted legislation. Please prepare one form for each item of opposed legislation. **Forms are due in Evanston no later than 23 August 2013.***

- 1) **Item being opposed:** I hereby certify that at a regular meeting, this club agreed to record its vote in opposition to the following action of the 2013 Council on Legislation:

13- \_\_\_\_\_

- 2) **Number of club votes:** Each club is entitled to at least one vote. Any club with a membership of more than 25 shall be entitled to one additional vote for each additional 25 members, or major fraction thereof, as follows:

<u>Members in the club</u>	<u>Number of Votes</u>
1-37	1
38-62	2
63-87	3
88-112	4
etc.	

I hereby certify that the membership of this club on 1 January 2013 (honorary members excepted) entitles it to:

\_\_\_\_\_ **number of votes** (see above)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

President: \_\_\_\_\_  
*signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*please print*

Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Or send to:

General Secretary  
c/o Council Services Section  
Rotary International  
One Rotary Center  
1560 Sherman Avenue  
Evanston, Illinois 60201 USA

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