**Motion #2**

**Recommended Policy for Honorary Membership in the Rotary Club of Lethbridge**

**“Honorary”** is one of the four types of membership a person may have in a Rotary club. This type of membership is the highest distinction a Rotary club can confer and is exercised only in exceptional cases to recognize an individual and those persons considered friends of Rotary for unusual service and contribution to Rotary’s cause and society.

This Board may elect and approve honorary members for terms set by the board, who shall:

(a) be exempt from paying dues;

(b) not vote;

(c) not hold any club office;

(d) not hold classifications; and

(e) be entitled to attend all meetings and enjoy all other privileges in the club but have no rights or privileges in any other club, except to visit without being a Rotarian’s guest.

Individuals may hold honorary membership in more than one club (RIB 4.050.2; SRCC 7, 6). However, members cannot simultaneously hold active and honorary membership in the same club. But a person may be an active member of one club and an honorary member of another club.

Should an Honorary member wish to be reinstated as an Active member the member may make that change once and to do so they must advise the Membership Director prior to April 30th to take effect the following July 1st.

Any person presented to the Board or by the Board itself for Honorary consideration shall be done prior to April 30th. Late submissions will not be considered for that current year and will have to wait until the following Rotary Year.

The Board may revoke an Honorary membership at any time.

**Motion**: That we approve the above Honorary Membership policy.

Moved: Brenda Eaglesham

Seconded: Kim Davis

**Motion #3**

**Current Honorary Members**

The current Honorary members shall be “grandfathered” into the Honorary category and will be subject to the policy noted above.

Should the grandfathered Honorary members wish to be reinstated as an Active member these members may make that change once and to do so they must advise the Membership Director prior to April 30, 2020 to take effect July 1, 2020. Should they not exercise this privilege they would be subject to the normal membership application process to become a member.

Once they become an Active member they are entitled to all rights and privileges of Rotary i.e. may vote, hold office on the Board or Chair a committee. They will also be charged annual dues commencing July 1, 2020.

For clarity, grandfathered honorary members

* Cannot vote in accordance with club bylaws nor can they be a voting member of a committee.
* Cannot represent the club as a member at meetings outside the club, at non-club Rotary events or in public activities.

**Motion:** That we approve the grand fathering of existing honorary members in accordance with the club’s new Honorary Membership Policy.

Moved: Brenda Eaglesham

Seconded: Allan Friesen