

1. Are there attendance requirements?

Yes. Rotary International expects all members, including Corporations, to maintain an average annual attendance of 50%; this helps keep you connected to our activities and enjoy the fellowship of our club. The Designated Representative and/or any of the listed alternate representatives from the company can attend a meeting or participate in a sweat equity project to meet this requirement.

A unique feature of Rotary is that members can do a ‘make-up’ at another club - locally, nationally, or internationally as all Rotary Clubs welcome visiting Rotarians. There are also a growing number of e-clubs and e-meetings available, making the 50% attendance an easy goal to achieve.

2. What are the fees associated with maintaining my membership with Quinte Sunrise?

There are two types of fees: Required and Voluntary.

Required Fees:

- a) **Initiation:** \$150 - this is a one-time fee paid by the company on behalf of the for the Designated Representative (‘DR’) upon joining the club
- b) **Membership:** \$175 annually - \$87.50 billed twice each July 1 and January 1, paid by the company
- c) **Breakfast:** \$15/meeting, billed quarterly and paid by the company for the DR. Alternate Representatives (‘ARs’) can pay this breakfast fee when they attend a meeting

Required fees are subject to review by the Executive Board annually and are subject to change.

Voluntary Fees:

- a) *Every Rotarian Every Year:*
A donation of \$100CAD annually to the Rotary Foundation to support the good work we do locally and around the world
- b) *End Polio Now:* A donation of a minimum of \$25 for the eradication of Polio

Each week, we hold a 50/50 draw and there are occasional table fines to help celebrate birthdays and anniversaries. Additionally, members are encouraged to pay a *Happy Buck* (or two) to share news or advertise events, etc.

While not exactly a fee, Rotarians are encouraged to become *Benefactors of the Foundation* by adding a codicil to their will, donating a minimum of \$1,000USD to the Rotary Foundation as a part of your Estate.

3. Changing Designated or Alternate Representatives

There is a maximum of four representatives permitted per Corporation:

- 1. The Designated Representative, and
- 2. Up to three Alternate Representatives

If a new DR wishes to replace the existing DR, the Corporation must provide the name, contact information, their company position, and the effective date of the change. This information must be provided to the club in writing; the new DR is subject to the fees, as detailed in (2) above.

4. Voting

The Corporation has one vote, exercised by the DR.

5. Holding Office

Only the DR may hold a position on the Executive Board of the club; however, any of the DR or ARs may sit on committees.

6. Why Join the Rotary Club of Quinte Sunrise?

There are many reasons to join our club and Rotary in general:

- **Networking:** it is a great opportunity to expand your network with other business leaders and community-minded people
- **Volunteerism:** our focus is service and we provide wonderful changes to give back to your community both locally and internationally through events, fundraising, and 'sweat equity' opportunities
- **Learning:** our meetings and sweat equity projects provide us with a great opportunity to learn about a diverse range of topics, issues, and projects, in the local area and around the world
- **Fellowship:** we are a friendly, low-key, group of people who like to have fun while we help our community and the world
- **Fits your Schedule:** traditionally, we meet each week either for a breakfast meeting, for a sweat equity project, or simply for fellowship. Our meetings are typically held each Thursday morning from 7:00 am to 8:15 am, thereby minimizing your time away from work

7. Where can I find more information?

There are several resources for you, the first and foremost being other club members - we are happy to answer your questions. If you wish, a mentor can be assigned to you upon joining the club, to help you learn about who we are and what we do.

Online, please visit our club website at www.quintesunriserotary.ca. Information about our District 7070 can be found online at <http://www.rotary7070.org/>. Finally, there is a wealth of information on the Rotary website: www.rotary.org.

We are thrilled you are considering joining our club. Please let any of us know if you have any questions.