

### Items from the Last Board Meeting, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

- The Board approved an MoU between the RCSC and the United Nations Association of Australia (NSW) to establish a one year Scholarship in association with the UNAA and the University of Wollongong. The scholarship will allow an undergraduate student to study an area relating to the UN Development Goals. As part of the requirement of the MoU, the successful candidate will address the club during and after completion of the scholarship year. This is an initiative of the RCSC to commemorate the role played by Rotary in the establishment of the United Nations during the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations next year.
- According to the strict Government regulations under which the Club's Benevolent Fund operates, only those members who are defined as 'Responsible Persons' are permitted to serve as Trustees. Club Director Administration Matt Payne and Fiona Lavan Director Club Culture & Renewal have been asked to draw up a list of members who qualify and make available to all members.
- The Board discussed the impact of the ongoing drought and the bushfires affecting much of the State. It has agreed to investigate allocation of funds and the opportunities for member participation in assistance programs. In the absence of additional District Grant funds, the club will look at cooperative opportunities with other clubs.
- The Board reviewed the progress in revitalising the Club's Service Committees, with four of the five committees now reformed. The Leadership Committee will meet in February to finalise its range of programs and it is also hoped that the first meeting of the reformed Vocational Service Committee will also meet in February.
- The Board resolved to develop a more formal process to review and determination of membership eligibility and resignations. Membership Director Marilyn Smith will manage the process and has been asked by the Board to develop the procedures for further consideration at the next Board meeting.
- The Board will undertake a budget review in February to ensure funds supporting Club activities are effectively spent and to make adjustments in budgetary allocations as necessary.
- The Board unanimously approved the nomination of Diego Giron for membership of the Club.
- The Board will not meet in January, with the next scheduled Board meeting set for Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February. Any matters requiring Board approval in the interim will be determined 'out of session'.