



2022 COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION
OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

REPORT OF ACTION

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Dear Rotarians:

The Council on Legislation of Rotary International met 10-14 April 2022 simultaneously online and in Chicago, Illinois, USA. A hybrid meeting was planned and implemented during a pandemic, which required the creation of new processes to hold a simultaneous in-person and virtual meeting for close to 600 participants.

In accordance with section 9.150.1. of the RI Bylaws, I am issuing this report on the actions taken by the Council, including the 29 pieces of adopted legislation.

94 enactments were transmitted to the Council. The Council adopted 29 enactments, including three items that were adopted during vetting ahead of the Council. The Council rejected 51 proposals, 13 proposals were withdrawn from consideration and one item was postponed indefinitely. Of the 29 adopted enactments, 4 were adopted with amendments, which are noted in the report with an asterisk (*).

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 striking 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. Where two or more pieces of legislation seek to change the same section of a document, all overlapping and correlative changes will be made by the Council Operations Committee during the revision of the constitutional documents. Legislation will take effect on 1 July, unless otherwise noted in the item of legislation.

At the end of this report is an Opposition to Legislation Report Form. In accordance with section 9.150.2. of the RI Bylaws, any club may use this form to record its opposition to an adopted enactment. Completed forms must reach Council Services by 1 August 2022. 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 2022 Council on Legislation, no action is required.

While it is rare, if the required number of votes in opposition are filed regarding any item of legislation adopted by the Council, the item will be considered suspended. A ballot of all Rotary clubs will then be conducted according to the provisions of sections 9.150.4. to 9.150.6. of the RI Bylaws. Based on the results of the ballot, the suspended item will either be nullified or reinstated.

Should you have any questions about the Council or the adopted legislation, please contact Council Services at council_services@rotary.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Hewko", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

John Hewko
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ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-07

To amend the amount of time club boards have to provide minutes to their members

*To amend the **STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION** as follows*

Article 7 Meetings

Section 3 — *Board Meetings.* Within ~~60~~ 30 days after all board meetings, written minutes should be available to all members.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-10

To add equity and inclusion to the building of a well-balanced membership

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 4 Membership in Clubs

4.070. Diversity of Membership.

Each club or Rotaract club shall endeavor to build a well-balanced membership that celebrates diversity, equity, and inclusion. No club or Rotaract club, regardless of when it joined RI, may in any way limit membership due to gender, race, color, creed, national origin, or sexual orientation, or impose any membership condition not specifically allowed by the RI constitution or bylaws. Any membership provision or condition in conflict with this section is null, void, and without effect.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-13

To remove the requirement that a member must work or reside in the locality of their club

To amend the **CONSTITUTION** of Rotary International as follows

Article 5 Membership

Section 2 — *Composition of Clubs.*

- (a) A club shall be composed of adult persons who demonstrate good character, integrity, and leadership; possess good reputation within their business, profession, occupation, and/or community; and are willing to serve in their community and/or around the world ~~and having their place of business or residence located in the locality of the club or the surrounding area. A member moving from the locality of the club or the surrounding area may retain membership in the club where the member's board grants such permission and said member continues to meet all conditions of club membership.~~

And to amend the **STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION** as follows

Article 13 Duration of Membership

Section 2 — *Automatic Termination.*

- ~~(a) *Exceptions.* Membership shall automatically terminate when a member no longer meets the membership qualifications, except that when a member moves from the locality of this club or the surrounding area, but continues to meet all conditions of club membership, the board may:~~
- ~~(1) allow a member to remain in this club; or~~
- ~~(2) grant a special leave of absence, not to exceed one year, to enable the member to visit and become known to a club in the new community.~~
- ~~(b) (a) *Rejoining.* When a member in good standing has their membership terminated as described in subsection (a), that person may apply for membership again, under the same or another business, profession, occupation, community service, or other classification.~~
- ~~(c) (b) *Termination of Honorary Membership.* Honorary membership shall automatically terminate at the end of the term of membership set by the board, unless extended. The board may revoke an honorary membership at any time.~~

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-14

To allow active members to propose prospective members in any club

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 4 Membership in Clubs

4.100. Sponsorship of Members.

Members may propose prospective members for membership in any club.

(Subsequent sections will be renumbered as appropriate)

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-15

To amend the provisions for membership in a satellite club

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 1 Definitions

- 1. Board: The RI Board of Directors.
- 2. Club: A Rotary club.
- 3. Constitutional documents: The RI constitution and bylaws, and the standard Rotary club constitution.
- 4. Governor: The governor of a Rotary district.
- 5. Member: A member, other than an honorary member, of a Rotary club.
- 6. RI: Rotary International.
- 7. RIBI: The administrative territorial unit of RI in Great Britain and Ireland.
- 8. Rotaract club: A club of young adults.
- 9. Rotaractor: A member of a Rotaract club.
- 10. Satellite club: A potential club whose members are also members of ~~the~~ the sponsor a club.
- 11. TRF: The Rotary Foundation.
- 12. In Writing: A communication capable of documentation, regardless of the method of transmission.
- 13. Year: The twelve-month period beginning 1 July.

Article 4 Membership in Clubs

4.040. Prohibited Dual Memberships.

No member shall simultaneously:

- (a) belong to more than one club, other than a satellite of ~~that a~~ a club; or
- (b) be an honorary member in the same club.

And to amend the **STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION** as follows

Article 1 Definitions

1. Board: The Board of Directors of this club.
2. Bylaws: The bylaws of this club.
3. Director: A director on this club's Board.
4. Member: A member, other than an honorary member, of this club.
5. RI: Rotary International.
6. Satellite club (when applicable): A potential club whose members shall also be members of ~~this a~~ club.
7. In Writing: A communication capable of documentation, regardless of the method of transmission.
8. Year: The twelve-month period beginning 1 July.

Article 8 Membership

Section 4 — *Satellite Club Members.* Members of a satellite club of this club shall also be members of ~~this a~~ club until the satellite club is admitted to RI membership as a Rotary club.

Section 5 — *Prohibited Dual Memberships.* No member shall simultaneously
(a) belong to this and another club other than a satellite of ~~this a~~ club, or
(b) be an honorary member in this club.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-18

To state that Rotaractors may be members of RI committees

To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows

Article 17 Committees

17.080. *Membership on Committees.*

Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, the president shall appoint the members of the committees and any subcommittees after consulting the board. Committees may include Rotaractors as members. The president shall designate the chair of each committee and subcommittee and serve as an ex officio member of all RI committees.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-20

To revise the timeline for president and director elections

To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows

Article 10 Nominations and Elections for President

10.030. Election of Members to the Nominating Committee for President.

10.030.3. Two or More Eligible Past Directors from a Zone.

If there are two or more eligible, willing, and able past directors, the member and alternate member of the committee shall be elected in a club ballot.

10.030.3.1. Ballot Procedure.

The general secretary shall prepare a single transferable ballot, with the names of all eligible past directors in alphabetical order. The general secretary shall send a ballot with photographs and biographical statements of each past director to each club in the zone by 15 May. The completed ballot shall be returned to the general secretary at the World Headquarters by ~~30 June~~ 15 June. The number of a club's votes is determined by the formula in subsection 15.050.1.

10.030.4. Balloting Committee Meeting.

A balloting committee, appointed by the president, meets at a time, place, and manner determined by the president to examine and count the ballots, no later than ~~10 July~~ 25 June. Within five days of meeting, the balloting committee shall certify the balloting results to the general secretary.

10.040. Committee Procedure.

10.040.3. Forwarding Names to Committee.

The general secretary shall, between 1 May and 15 May, notify eligible Rotarians and ask if they are willing to be considered for nomination for president. The deadline for notifying the general secretary of willingness to serve is ~~30 June~~ 15 June. Those Rotarians not responding to the general secretary by ~~30 June~~ 15 June will not be considered by the nominating committee. The general secretary shall forward the list of those willing to serve to the nominating committee and to any Rotarian upon request at least one week before the committee meeting.

10.070. Additional Nomination by Clubs.

In addition to the nomination made by the committee, challenges may be made in the following manner:

10.070.1. Candidate Previously Considered and Concurrence.

Any club may suggest as a challenging candidate a Rotarian who notified the general secretary pursuant to subsection 10.040.3. of their willingness to be considered for nomination for president through a resolution adopted by the

club. The resolution must be supported by a concurrence of at least a majority of the clubs in the district obtained at a district conference or through a club ballot. The concurrence must be certified to the general secretary by the governor. The resolution must be accompanied by a written statement from the challenging candidate agreeing to have the candidacy submitted to the clubs for endorsement. The requirements must be received by ~~1 October~~ 15 September.

10.070.2. Notification to Clubs of Challenging Candidates.

After ~~1 October~~ 15 September, the general secretary shall notify the clubs of the suggested challenging candidates and provide them with an endorsement form.

10.070.4. Endorsement of Challenging Candidate.

If on ~~15 November~~ 1 November, any challenging candidate has been endorsed by 1 percent of the clubs comprising the membership of RI as of the most recent club invoice, with at least half of the endorsements from clubs in zones other than that of the challenging candidate(s), the challenging candidate(s) and the committee's nominee shall be balloted on as provided in section 10.090. If the challenging candidate(s) fails to receive the prescribed endorsements by ~~15 November~~ 1 November, the president shall declare the committee's nominee to be the president-nominee.

10.090. Club Ballot.

The procedure for electing a president by a club ballot as provided in section 10.070. shall be as follows:

10.090.3. Distribution of Ballot.

The balloting committee shall send the ballot to each club by ~~15 February~~ 1 January, with instructions that the completed ballot be returned to the balloting committee at World Headquarters by ~~15 April~~ 15 February. The ballot shall include photographs and biographical statements of the candidates.

10.090.4. Club Voting.

The number of a club's votes is determined by the formula in subsection 15.050.1.

10.090.5. Balloting Committee Meeting.

The balloting committee shall meet at a time, place, and manner determined by the president, no later than ~~20 April~~ 20 February. The committee shall examine and count the ballots. The balloting committee shall certify the results to the general secretary within five days.

10.090.6. Counting of Votes.

The candidate receiving a majority of the votes shall be declared the president-elect. The voting shall take into account the second and subsequent choices where necessary.

10.090.7. Announcement of President-elect.

The president shall announce the name of the president-elect no later than ~~25 April~~ 25 February.

Article 11 Nominations and Elections for Directors

11.030. Club Ballot Procedure.

11.030.3. Deadline for Receipt of Ballots.

The general secretary shall send the ballot including photographs and biographical statements to each club in the zone or section no later than the following 31 December. The ballot shall be sent with instructions that the completed ballot must be returned to the general secretary at the World Headquarters no later than ~~1 March~~ 1 February.

11.030.5. Balloting Committee.

The president shall appoint a balloting committee to examine and count ballots. The committee shall meet at a time, place, and manner determined by the president, no later than ~~5 March~~ 5 February. The committee shall certify the results to the general secretary within five days.

11.030.7. Announcement of Director-nominee.

The president shall announce the name of the director-nominee selected no later than ~~10 March~~ 10 February.

11.030.8. Tie Vote.

If a club ballot results in a tie for director-nominee, a second club ballot shall be conducted. The general secretary shall prepare and send the ballots, which shall include the names of the candidates who tied in the first club ballot, biographical statements, and photographs. The ballots and other materials shall be sent to each club in the zone or section by ~~15 March~~ 15 February with instructions that the completed ballot be returned to the general secretary at the World Headquarters no later than the following ~~1 May~~ 1 April. The balloting committee shall meet at a time, place, and manner determined by the president to count the ballots, no later than ~~5 May~~ 5 April. The balloting committee shall certify the results to the general secretary within five days. The president shall inform all clubs in the zone of the director-nominee no later than ~~10 May~~ 10 April.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-21

To amend the qualifications for director and membership on the director nominating committee

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 5 Board of Directors

5.080. Terms and Qualifications of Directors.

5.080.2. Qualifications.

A candidate shall have served a full term as governor before being proposed for director (unless the board determines that shorter service suffices), and at least three years must have elapsed since the candidate's service as governor. ~~The candidate shall have attended at least two Rotary institutes and one convention in the 36-month period before being proposed.~~ No person who served a full term as director, as defined in the bylaws or as determined by the board, may again be a director except as president or president-elect.

Article 11 Nominations and Elections for Directors

11.020. Selection of Director-nominee and Alternate by Nominating Committee Procedure.

11.020.3. 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 the district as provided. Each member shall be a past governor at the time of election, who is a member of a club in the relevant zone or section. ~~The members shall have attended (a) at least two Rotary institutes of the zone from which the director is being nominated and (b) one convention in the three years before serving on the committee. A district may, by a resolution adopted at a district conference by a majority vote of the electors present and voting, dispense with some or all of requirements (a) or (b), if the resolution applies only to the next nominating committee.~~ Members shall be elected for a term of one year. Directors or past directors shall not be eligible for membership on the nominating committee. No Rotarian shall serve more than twice as a member of the nominating committee. Each member shall have one vote.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-27*

To authorize the board to remove a Rotarian's past officer status

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 6 Officers

6.050. *Removal of Past Officer Status.*

The board, for cause, may remove a Rotarian's past officer status even though they have served as a past officer. A Rotarian who has been determined by the board to no longer be considered to be a past RI officer shall not be eligible to serve in any office referenced in these bylaws for which serving as a past officer is required. Prior to the board taking this action, the Rotarian shall be given an opportunity at a board hearing to provide reasons as to why this action should not be taken. Removal of an individual's past officer status requires a two-thirds vote of the entire board.

(Subsequent sections will be renumbered as appropriate)

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-28

To revise the process for changing sections in a zone

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 11 Nominations and Elections for Directors

11.010. *Nominations for Directors by Zones.*

11.010.4. *Realignment of Zones.*

Any new alignments can be made by the board.

11.010.5. *Sections Within Zones.*

The board may create, modify, or eliminate sections in zones in order to rotate the directorship within a zone by nominating RI directors on a schedule set by the board, based on an approximately equal of number of Rotarians. ~~Except for zones that include clubs in RIBI, no such section shall be created, modified, or eliminated over the objection of a majority of the clubs in the zone.~~

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-32

To amend the officers of RIBI

*To amend the **CONSTITUTION** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 7 Officers

Section 1 – Titles. The officers of RI shall be president, president-elect, vice-president, treasurer, other directors, general secretary, district governors, and the ~~president, immediate past president, vice-president~~ chair, chair-elect, and honorary treasurer of RI in Great Britain and Ireland.

*And to amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 11 Nominations and Elections for Directors

11.040. Nominations for Officers of RIBI.

Nominees for ~~president, vice-president~~ chair, chair-elect, and honorary treasurer of RIBI shall be selected, proposed, and nominated pursuant to the bylaws of RIBI.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-38

To authorize the Board to suspend or terminate a club or Rotaract club for initiating litigation against a district

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 3 Resignation, Suspension or Termination of Membership in RI

3.020. Board Discipline, Suspension, or Termination of a Club or Rotaract Club.

3.020.1. Suspension or Termination.

The board may suspend or terminate a club or Rotaract club that:

- (c) initiates or maintains, or retains a member or Rotaractor who initiates or maintains, litigation against RI, ~~or TRF,~~ or the district, including their directors, trustees, officers, agents, and employees, before exhausting all remedies in the constitutional documents; or

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-39

To amend the provisions regarding RI committees

To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows

Article 17 Committees

17.010. Standing and Other Committees.

The board shall establish the following standing committees ~~on~~:

- (a) audit
- (b) constitution and bylaws
- (c) districting
- (d) election review
- (e) finance
- (f) membership
- (g) operations review
- (h) strategic planning
- ~~(a) communications – with six members, two appointed each year for three year terms;~~
- ~~(b) constitution and bylaws – with three members, one appointed each year for a three year term, except that in the year of the council on legislation there shall be four members, with the most recent past member serving a fourth year;~~
- ~~(c) conventions – with six members, including the chair of the host organization for the convention. The president may appoint as chair a Rotarian who previously served for two years as a member of a conventions committee but not as chair. In addition to the chair of a convention committee, one other member may be a person who previously served on a convention committee;~~
- ~~(d) districting – with three members, one appointed each year from the board for a three year term;~~
- ~~(e) election review – with six members, two appointed each year for three year terms;~~
- ~~(f) finance – with eight members, six serving three year terms with two members appointed each year, plus the RI treasurer and one board member appointed by the board, both serving one year terms as non-voting members; and~~
- ~~(g) Rotaract – with three members, one appointed each year for a three year term, plus three Rotaractors, with the committee co-chaired by one member and one Rotaractor.~~

~~17.020. Other Committees.~~

The board may establish other committees, as needed, and For standing and other committees, the board shall determine, subject to the provisions of section ~~17.100.~~:

- (a) the number of members;
- (b) the terms of members;
- (c) the qualification of members;
- ~~(e)~~ (d) the duties and authority; and
- ~~(d)~~ (e) the continuity of members from year to year.

For those committees serving both RI and TRF, the Board and Trustees shall jointly determine the number, terms, qualifications, duties, and continuity of members from year to year.

17.030. Special Committees Exceptions.

The provisions of sections 17.010., 17.020., 17.080., and 17.090. ~~17.040., and 17.050. do not apply to any nominating committees or any committee formed under sections 17.040. – 17.070.~~

17.040. Membership Committee.

~~The board shall appoint a membership committee composed of at least eight members appointed for at least three year terms on a staggered basis and eligible for reappointment.~~

17.050. Strategic Planning Committee.

~~The board and the TRF trustees shall appoint a strategic planning committee with eight members. Two members shall be appointed each year, one by the board and one by the trustees, for four year terms. No member shall be a board member, a TRF trustee, or a past president. The chair and vice chair shall be jointly appointed by the RI president and the TRF chair. Members who served fewer than three years may be reappointed. Members shall be selected to balance experience in long term planning, RI or TRF programs and activities, and financial management. The committee shall meet as decided by the president, the board, the TRF chair, or the TRF trustees.~~

17.060. Audit Committee.

~~The board shall appoint an audit committee with seven members, each of whom shall be independent and financially literate. The committee shall include two board members appointed annually by the board and one trustee appointed annually by the TRF trustees. In addition, the committee shall include four members appointed by the board, who are not board members or trustees, for single terms of six years. The committee shall review and report to the board as appropriate on RI and TRF financial reports, the external audit, the system of internal control, internal audit, and related matters. The committee advises the board and trustees under terms of reference not in conflict with this section, prescribed by the board and trustees. The committee shall meet up to three times per year. The president, the board, or the committee chair shall determine the time, place, manner, and notice of regular meetings. For additional meetings, the president or committee chair may determine the time, place, manner, and notice. The chair of the operations review committee (or the chair's designee) shall serve as a liaison to the audit committee.~~

17.070. Operations Review Committee.

~~The board shall appoint an operations review committee with six members, for single terms up to six years, with one member appointed each year as appropriate to maintain six members. No member shall be a past president, current board member, or current TRF trustee. Members shall be selected to balance experience in management, leadership development, and financial management. The president or the board shall determine the time, place, manner, and notice of meetings. As deemed necessary by the~~

~~board or the president, the operations review committee may review operational matters, including, but not limited to, the effectiveness and efficiency of operations, administrative procedures, and standards of conduct. The committee reports directly to the board under terms of reference not in conflict with this section, prescribed by the board.~~

~~17.080.~~ **17.030.** *Membership on Committees.*

Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, the president shall appoint the members of the committees and any subcommittees after consulting the board. The president shall designate the chair of each committee and subcommittee and serve as an ex officio member of all RI committees.

~~17.090.~~ **17.040.** *Meetings.*

Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, the president shall determine the time, place, manner, and notice of all meetings of committees and subcommittees. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum, and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting with a quorum shall be the act of the committee or subcommittee.

~~17.100.~~ **17.050.** *Term of Service.*

Except as otherwise provided in these bylaws, no person may serve on the same RI committee for more than ~~three years~~ one term. No person who has served on a committee for ~~three years~~ a full term is eligible for later appointment to the same committee. This section does not apply to ad hoc committees or ex officio members.

17.060. *Committee Exceptions.*

The provisions of sections 17.010. to 17.050. do not apply to any nominating committees.

~~17.110.~~ **17.070.** *Secretary of Committees.*

The general secretary is the secretary of all committees, unless the board otherwise provides. The general secretary may appoint another person to serve as secretary.

~~17.120.~~ **17.080.** *Quorum.*

A majority of all committee members is a quorum for a meeting, unless otherwise provided in the bylaws or by the board.

~~17.130.~~ **17.090.** *Manner of Conducting Business.*

A committee may conduct business by any manner of communication under rules of procedure prescribed by the board, unless contrary to the bylaws.

~~17.140.~~ **17.100.** *Authority over Committees.*

All committees are subject to board control and supervision pursuant to subsection 5.010.2.(c). All committee actions and decisions are subject to board approval, except the decision of the nominating committee for president in selecting a president-nominee. However, the board has jurisdiction over all actions and decisions that are in violation of article 13.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-46*

To increase per capita dues

To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows

Article 18 Fiscal Matters

18.030. Dues.

18.030.1. Per Capita Dues.

Each club pays per capita dues to RI for each member as follows: ~~US\$34.00 per half year in 2019 – 20, US\$34.50 per half year in 2020 – 21, US\$35.00 per half year in 2021 – 22, and US\$35.50 per half year in 2022 – 23, US\$37.50 per half year in 2023 - 24, US\$39.25 per half year in 2024 - 25, and US\$41.00 per half year in 2025 - 26, and thereafter.~~ The dues shall remain constant until changed by the council on legislation.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-52

To amend the provisions regarding the Audit Committee and audited financial statements

To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows

Article 17 Committees

17.060. Audit Committee.

The board ~~and the TRF trustees~~ shall appoint an audit committee with seven members, ~~each of whom who~~ shall be independent and financially literate. ~~The committee shall include two board members appointed annually by the board and one trustee appointed annually by the TRF trustees. In addition, the committee shall include four members appointed by the board, who are not board members or trustees, for single terms of six years. The committee shall review and report to the board as appropriate on RI and TRF financial reports, the external audit, the system of internal control, internal audit, and related matters. The committee advises the board and trustees under terms of reference not in conflict with this section, prescribed by the board and trustees. The committee shall meet up to three times per year. The president, the board, the TRF chair, the TRF trustees, or the committee chair shall determine the time, place, manner, and notice of regular meetings. For additional meetings, the president or committee chair may determine the time, place, manner, and notice. The chair of the operations review committee (or the chair's designee) shall serve as a liaison to the audit committee.~~

Article 18 Fiscal Matters

18.080. Report.

The general secretary shall publish the audited financial statements and accompanying notes and supplemental schedules (if any), as well as an annual report no later than 31 December after the fiscal year end. ~~The report shall~~ general secretary shall also report, by individual office, ~~clearly show~~ all expenses reimbursed to, and all payments made on behalf of, the president, office of the president, president-elect, president-nominee, and each director and director-elect. ~~The report shall contain the expenditures of the board, the annual convention, and each major division of the administration and the operations of the secretariat, and be accompanied by a statement comparing each of these items with the budget adopted in accordance with subsection 18.050.1., or, if revised, in accordance with subsection 18.050.2. The report shall contain full details of any expenditure varying from the approved budget by over 10 percent in each category. The report shall be distributed to each current and past RI officer and available to any club or Rotaract club upon request. The general secretary shall send the report for the year before a council on legislation to all council members at least 30 days before the council convenes.~~

Article 22 The Rotary Foundation

22.040. Report of Trustees.

The trustees shall report to RI at least annually on TRF's programs and finances. ~~The annual report~~ general secretary shall also report, by individual office, ~~clearly show~~ all expenses reimbursed to, and all payments made on behalf of, each trustee.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-53

To amend where the Board must report expenditures from the RI reserve

*To amend the **CONSTITUTION** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 6 Board of Directors

Section 2 — Powers. The affairs and funds of RI shall be under the direction and control of the board in conformity with this constitution and the bylaws and the Illinois General Not-for-Profit Corporation Act of 1986, and any amendments thereto. In exercising such direction and control over the funds of RI, the board may, as fixed by the budget or budgets provided for in the bylaws, expend in any fiscal year the current income and such amount from the RI reserve as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of RI. The board shall report to the next convention and council on legislation as to the special conditions under which expenditures have been made from the reserve. The board shall at no time incur an indebtedness in excess of the then net assets of RI.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-54

To publish the RI budget and annual report on the Rotary website

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 18 Fiscal Matters

18.050. Budget.

18.050.5. Annual Publication of the RI Budget.

By 30 September each year, the RI budget shall be published as decided by the board on RI's website and brought to the attention of all clubs and Rotaract clubs.

18.080. Report.

The general secretary shall publish the audited annual report no later than 31 December after the fiscal year end. The report shall, by individual office, clearly show all expenses reimbursed to, and all payments made on behalf of, the president, office of the president, president-elect, president-nominee, and each director. The report shall contain the expenditures of the board, the annual convention, and each major division of the administration and the operations of the secretariat, and be accompanied by a statement comparing each of these items with the budget adopted in accordance with subsection 18.050.1., or, if revised, in accordance with subsection 18.050.2. The report shall contain full details of any expenditure varying from the approved budget by over 10 percent in each category. The report shall be distributed to each current and past RI

officer and available to any club or Rotaract club ~~upon request~~ on RI's website. The general secretary shall send the report for the year before a council on legislation to all council members at least 30 days before the council convenes.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-56

To amend how districts may propose legislation and resolutions

*To amend the **CONSTITUTION** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 16 Amendments

Section 2 — *Who May Propose.* Amendments to this constitution may be proposed only by a club, by a district ~~conference~~, by the general council or the conference of RI in Great Britain and Ireland, by the council on legislation, or by the board in accordance with the procedures contained in the bylaws.

*And to amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 7 Council on Legislation

7.020. *Who May Propose Legislation.*

Enactments may be proposed by a club, a district ~~conference~~, the general council or conference of RIBI, the council on legislation, or the board. Only the board may propose position statements. The board shall not propose legislation related to TRF without prior agreement by the TRF trustees.

7.030. *District Endorsement of Club and District Legislation.*

~~Club-proposed~~ Club and district-proposed enactments must be endorsed by ~~its~~ the district at a district conference, a district legislation meeting, or an RIBI district council. Where time does not allow proposed enactments to be submitted to the district conference, a district legislation meeting, or RIBI district council, the proposed enactments may be submitted to the clubs of the district by a club ballot conducted by the governor. Any club ballot shall follow the procedure in section 12.050. as closely as possible. An enactment delivered to the general secretary shall be certified by the governor that it has been endorsed. Districts should not propose or endorse more than five enactments per council on legislation.

Article 8 Council on Resolutions

8.030. *Who May Propose Resolutions.*

Resolutions may be proposed by a club, a district ~~conference~~, the general council or conference of RIBI, and the board.

8.040. *District Endorsement of Club and District Resolutions.*

~~Club-proposed~~ Club and district-proposed resolutions must be endorsed by the district at a district conference, a district legislation meeting, RIBI district council, or through a club ballot conducted by the governor, following the procedures in section 12.050. as closely as possible. A proposed resolution delivered to the general secretary shall be certified by the governor that it has been endorsed.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-57

To provide for the type of urgent enactments that may be considered by the Council on Resolutions

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 8 Council on Resolutions

8.050. *Enactments Considered by the Council on Resolutions.*

The council on resolutions, as a special meeting of the council on legislation, shall consider and act on any enactments duly proposed by the board that the board determines to be of an urgent nature. Such urgent enactments should be limited in scope to situations that have occurred since the most recent council on legislation.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-59

To amend the deadline for the RI Board to propose position statements

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 7 Council on Legislation

7.050. *Deadline for Enactments and Position Statements.*

The general secretary must receive enactments by 31 December in the year before the council. The board may propose enactments it determines to be urgent and position statements by 31 December before the council convenes. ~~The board may propose position statements any time before the council adjourns.~~

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-61

To eliminate inconsistencies in the RI Bylaws

To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows

Article 11 Nominations and Elections for Directors

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

11.020.9. *Selection of Members by Nominating Committee Procedure.*

The member and the alternate member of the nominating committee may be selected by a nominating committee procedure based on section 12.030.1. where not in conflict with this section. If a district fails to adopt a method for selecting members of a nominating committee, the nominating committee shall be composed of all past governors who are members of a club in that district and are willing and able to serve. A candidate for member shall not serve on the committee. ~~The member and the alternate member of the nominating committee shall be selected by 30 June of the year before the scheduled nomination.~~

11.020.12. *Report of Member to the General Secretary.*

The member and the alternate shall be reported by the governor to the general secretary. Those reported after 1 June shall not serve on the nominating committee.

Article 12 Nominations and Elections for Governors

12.030. *Nominating Committee Process.*

12.030.3. *Club Suggestions for Governor.*

The governor shall invite clubs to submit their suggestions for nominations for governor. ~~The deadline for suggestions is~~ invitation is to be made at least two months before suggestions are due to the nominating committee ~~meeting~~. The suggestions shall be submitted by a resolution naming the suggested candidate adopted at a regular club meeting and certified by the secretary. A club shall only suggest one of its own members.

12.090. *Vacancies in the Offices of Governor-nominee and Governor-elect.*

If a district fails to select a governor-nominee or if a nominee becomes disqualified for election or otherwise unable or unwilling to serve and another nominee is not selected either before the election of officers at the convention or at least three months before the international assembly, the governor shall reinitiate the selection procedures starting with section 12.020. In either event, the board shall elect the Rotarian so nominated to serve as governor-elect. ~~Thereafter, if~~ If either a governor-elect or governor-nominee becomes unable or unwilling to serve as governor, and the selection process for the successor has

been completed by the district, then the successor shall automatically fill the vacancy if they are willing to do so, subject to the required election either by the convention or the board. If the successor has been selected, but is unable or unwilling to fill the vacancy, the board shall elect a Rotarian qualified under section 16.010.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-69*

To provide that governors are notified of actions taken on adopted resolutions

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 8 Council on Resolutions

8.110. Adopted Resolutions.

Within one year of the conclusion of the council on resolutions, the board shall notify all governors of any board action taken in regard to resolutions adopted by the council.

(Subsequent sections will be renumbered as appropriate)

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-70

To modernize and streamline the RI Constitution without making any substantive changes

*To amend the **CONSTITUTION** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 1 Definitions

1. Board: The RI Board of Directors.
2. Club: A Rotary club.
3. Governor: A governor of a Rotary district.
4. Member: A member, other than an honorary member, of a Rotary club.
5. RI: Rotary International.
6. Rotaract club: A club of young adults.
7. Rotaractor: A member of a Rotaract club.
8. Year: The twelve-month period beginning 1 July.

Article 2 ~~Name and Description~~ The Association and Its Purposes

The name of this organization shall be Rotary International. RI is the association of clubs and Rotaract clubs throughout the world.

Article 3 ~~Purposes~~

The purposes of RI are RI's purpose is to:

- (a) ~~To support the~~ Support clubs, Rotaract clubs, and districts of RI in their pursuit of programs and activities that promote the Object of Rotary; and
- (b) ~~To encourage~~ Encourage, promote, extend, and supervise Rotary throughout the world; and
- (c) ~~To coordinate and generally direct the activities of RI.~~

Article 4 ~~3~~ Object

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- First.* The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- Second.* High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- Third.* The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- Fourth.* The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Article 5 ~~4~~ Membership

Section 1 — *How Constituted.* The membership of RI shall consist of are clubs and Rotaract clubs which continue to perform the obligations as set forth in this constitution and the bylaws.

Section 2 — *Composition of Clubs.*

- (a) A club ~~shall be composed of adult persons~~ is composed of adults who:
 - 1) demonstrate good character, integrity, and leadership;
 - 2) possess good reputation within their business, profession, occupation, and/or community; ~~and~~
 - 3) are willing to serve in their community and/or around the world; and
 - 4) having have their place of business or residence ~~located~~ in the locality of the club or the surrounding area. A member ~~moving~~ who moves from the locality of the club or the surrounding area may retain membership in the club ~~where the member's board grants such permission and said member continues to meet all conditions of club membership with the approval of the club's board.~~
- (b) ~~Each club~~ Clubs shall have a well-balanced membership in which no one business, profession, occupation, type of community service, or other classification predominates.
- (c) ~~The bylaws of RI~~ RI Bylaws may provide for active ~~membership~~ and honorary membership in clubs and ~~shall prescribe~~ the qualifications for each.

(d) ~~In~~ If approved by the board, a club or Rotaract club is not required to use the word “club” in its name in countries where the word “club” has an inappropriate connotation, Rotary clubs or Rotaract clubs, with the approval of the board, will not be obliged to use it in their names.

Section 3 — *Composition of Rotaract Clubs.* ~~Rotaract clubs shall be composed of Rotaractors as determined by the board. The board shall determine the composition of Rotaract clubs.~~

Section 4 — *Ratification of Constitution and Bylaws.* Every club and Rotaract club ~~granted a certificate of membership in RI and accepting the same thereby accepts, ratifies, and agrees to be bound in all things, not contrary to law, by this constitution and the bylaws of RI, and amendments thereto, and to faithfully observe the provisions thereof. is bound by the requirements of this constitution and the RI Bylaws, and any amendments to them, not contrary to law.~~

Section 5 — *Exceptions.* ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of this constitution or of the bylaws of RI or the standard club constitution, the~~ The board may, as a pilot project, may admit into membership or permit the reorganization of up to 1,000 clubs with that have provisions in their constitutions that are not in accordance with this constitution, and bylaws of RI the RI Bylaws, and the standard club constitution. Such pilot project may extend for a period not exceeding A pilot project may last no longer than 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. At the end of the pilot project, all clubs shall adopt the standard club constitution.

Article 6 5 Board of Directors

Section 1 — *How Constituted.* ~~The board of directors shall be nineteen in number. There are 19 members of the board, including the president and the president-elect. The president of RI shall be a member and is chair of the board. The president elect of RI shall be a member of the board. Seventeen directors shall be nominated and elected are selected in accordance with the provisions of the bylaws RI Bylaws.~~

Section 2 — *Powers.* The affairs and funds of RI ~~shall be~~ are under the direction and control of the board in conformity with this constitution, ~~and the bylaws RI Bylaws, and the Illinois General Not-for-Profit Corporation Act of 1986, and any amendments thereto as amended. In exercising such direction and control over the funds of RI,~~

Section 3 — *Finances.* ~~the~~ The board may spend, as fixed by consistent with the budget or budgets provided for in the bylaws RI Bylaws, expend in any fiscal year the current income and such amounts from the RI reserve as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of RI. The board shall report to the next following convention as to the special conditions under which the reasons for any expenditures have been made from the RI reserve. The board shall at no time incur an indebtedness in excess of the then a debt that exceeds the net assets of RI.

Section 3 4 — *Secretary.* The general secretary of RI ~~shall be~~ is secretary of the board and ~~shall have~~ has no vote in the ~~its~~ its proceedings thereof.

Article 7 6 Officers

Section 1 — *Titles.* The officers of RI shall be ~~are~~ president, president-elect, vice-president, treasurer, other directors, general secretary, ~~district~~ governors, and the president, immediate past president, vice-president, and honorary treasurer of RI in Great Britain and Ireland.

Section 2 — *How Elected.* The officers of RI shall be ~~are~~ nominated and elected as provided in the ~~bylaws~~ RI Bylaws.

Article 8 7 Administration

Section 1 — ~~The clubs located in Great Britain, Ireland, the Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man shall comprise an administrative territorial unit of RI which shall be known as “Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland”~~ Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland (RIBI) is an RI administrative territorial unit comprising all clubs in Great Britain, Ireland, the Channel Islands, Gibraltar, and the Isle of Man, whose ~~The~~ powers, purposes, and functions of RIBI shall be ~~are~~ those set forth in the ~~articles of constitution of RI in Great Britain and Ireland~~ RIBI constitution, as approved by the council on legislation and in the ~~this~~ constitution and ~~bylaws of RI~~ the RI Bylaws.

Section 2 — ~~The administration of clubs shall be under general supervision of the board together with one or other of the following forms of direct supervision, which shall be at all times in conformity with the provision of this constitution and the bylaws~~ Clubs are administered under the general supervision of the board, in conformity with this constitution and the RI Bylaws, with direct supervision:

- (a) ~~Supervision of a club by~~ By the board.
- (b) ~~Supervision of clubs by~~ By a governor in a ~~constituted~~ district.
- (c) ~~Such supervision, as may be deemed advisable~~ As otherwise determined by the board and approved by the council on legislation.
- (d) ~~Supervision~~ By RIBI, of clubs in Great Britain, Ireland, the Channel Islands, Gibraltar, and the Isle of Man ~~by RI in Great Britain and Ireland~~.

Section 3 — ~~The administration of Rotaract clubs shall be~~ Rotaract clubs are administered under the general supervision of the board or ~~under such~~ other supervision as determined by the board ~~may determine~~.

Section 4 — ~~RI and clubs are encouraged to computerize their business operations to speed up and economize the operation of the Rotary organization.~~

Article 9 8 Convention

Section 1 — *Time and Place.* ~~A convention of RI shall be held annually within the last three months of the fiscal year~~ An RI convention is held during the last three months of each year, at a time and place ~~to be determined by the board,~~ subject to ~~change by the board for good cause.~~

Section 2 — *Special Conventions.* In case of emergency, special conventions may be called by the president with ~~the approval of a majority of the members~~ of the board.

Section 3 — *Representation. Delegates and Voting.* The duly accredited delegates, proxy holders, and delegates-at-large shall constitute the voting body of the convention.

- (a) ~~In any convention, each club shall be entitled to be represented by at least one delegate. A club is entitled to at least one vote either by one of its members as a delegate, or by proxy. Any club with a membership of more than fifty (50) shall be entitled to be represented by an additional delegate 50 is entitled to one additional vote for each additional fifty of its 50 members or major fraction thereof. For this purpose, representation shall be determined on the basis of membership in the club on 31 December immediately preceding the convention. A club may authorize a delegate to cast one or more of the votes to which the club is entitled. Membership is determined as of 31 December immediately before the convention. A club entitled to more than one vote may choose to send more than one delegate to the convention or may authorize a delegate or proxy to cast more than one of its votes.~~
- (b) ~~It shall be the duty of each club to be represented at each convention of RI either by one of its own members as a delegate or by proxy and to vote on each proposal submitted for determination.~~

Section 4 — *Delegates at Large.* Each officer and each past president of RI, still holding membership in a club, shall be who is a member of a club is a delegate-at-large.

Section 5 4 — *Electors and Voting.* The duly accredited delegates, proxy holders, and delegates at large shall constitute the voting body of the convention and shall be known as electors. Voting shall be is as provided in the bylaws RI Bylaws.

Article 10 9 Council on Legislation

Section 1 — *Purpose.* The council on legislation shall constitute the legislative body of RI.

Section 2 — *Time and Place.* The council on legislation shall convene ~~triennially~~ once every three years in April, May, or June, but preferably in April. The board ~~will determine~~ sets the date and place of the meeting, ~~provided that, except for~~ It is held in the vicinity of the RI world headquarters unless there are compelling financial or other reasons for it to be held elsewhere, as determined by a two-thirds vote of the entire board, the meeting shall be held in the vicinity of the RI world headquarters.

Section 3 — *Procedures.* The council on legislation shall consider ~~and act upon~~ proposals which are duly submitted to it, ~~and its.~~ Its action shall be is subject only to action by clubs as provided in the bylaws of RI RI Bylaws.

Section 4 — *Membership.* The membership of the council on legislation shall ~~be~~ is as provided in the bylaws.

Section 5 4 — *Extraordinary Meetings to Adopt Legislation.* The board, by a 90 percent vote of the entire board, may call an extraordinary meeting of the council on legislation. An extraordinary meeting of the council on legislation may be called by a vote of at least 90 percent of the entire board. The board ~~will determine~~ sets the time and place for the meeting ~~and specify its purpose.~~ The meeting ~~may consider and act only on legislation proposed by the board.~~ Only legislation submitted by the board is considered. Legislation to be considered at

~~the meeting is not subject to the~~ The submission deadlines and procedures provided elsewhere in the constitutional documents of RI, except that those procedures shall be followed to the extent do not apply unless time permits. Any action of the meeting ~~shall be~~ is subject ~~thereafter~~ to action by the clubs, as provided in section 3 of this article.

Article ~~11~~ 10 Dues

Every club and Rotaract club shall pay ~~to RI~~ per capita dues ~~semiannually to RI~~ twice per year, or on such other dates as established at other times set by the board.

Article ~~12~~ 11 Foundation

Section 1 — There shall be a Foundation of RI to be established and operated in accordance with the provisions of the ~~bylaws of RI~~ RI Bylaws.

Section 2 — All gifts, devises, or bequests of money or property, ~~or~~ and income therefrom, received by RI and any surplus funds of RI, ~~as may be authorized by the convention,~~ shall become the property of the Foundation.

Article ~~13~~ 12 Membership Title and Insignia

Section 1 — *Active Members.* ~~Every active member of a club shall be known as a Rotarian, and shall be~~ Active members are known as Rotarians and are 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~~ Honorary members are known as honorary Rotarians, and are entitled to wear the emblem, badge, or other insignia of RI as long as that member holds honorary membership in the club.

Section 3 — *Rotaract Members.* ~~Every member of a Rotaract club shall be known as a Rotaractor and shall be~~ Members of Rotaract clubs are known as Rotaractors, and are entitled to wear the emblem, badge, or other insignia of Rotaract.

Article ~~14~~ 13 Bylaws

~~Bylaws not inconsistent with this constitution embodying additional provisions for the government of RI, shall be~~ Bylaws consistent with this constitution specifying additional provisions for the governance of RI are adopted, and may be amended by the council on legislation.

Article ~~15~~ 14 Interpretation

Throughout this constitution, ~~and the bylaws of RI~~ the RI Bylaws, and the standard club constitution, the following rules of construction shall apply: The words “shall,” “is,” and “are” are mandatory, and the words “may” and “should” are permissive. ~~Pronouns of either the masculine or feminine gender shall include the other gender.~~ The terminology “mail,” “mailing,” ~~and “ballot-by-mail,”~~ and “club ballot” will include utilization of electronic mail (e-mail) and internet technology to reduce costs and increase responsiveness.

Article 16 15 Amendments

~~**Section 1** — *Circumstances.* This constitution may be amended only by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting in the council on legislation.~~

~~**Section 2** — *Who May Propose.* Amendments to this constitution may be proposed only by a club, by a district conference, by the general council or the conference of RI in Great Britain and Ireland, by the council on legislation, or by the board in accordance with the procedures contained in the bylaws.~~

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-71*

To provide for the administration of clubs in a pilot project

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 14 Administrative Groups and Administrative Territorial Unit

14.020. Supervision.

The board may establish a method of supervision in addition to the supervision by the governors of the clubs within any area composed of two or more geographically contiguous districts. If the board establishes a method of supervision, it shall prescribe rules of procedure, which must be approved by the clubs in those districts ~~and by a convention.~~

14.030. Supervision Through a Pilot Project.

The board may establish pilot projects as a method of supervision of clubs subject to approval by all impacted districts. Only clubs located within RIBI and/or within a zone that includes Australia or New Zealand can be included in a pilot project. The board may establish the governance rules and procedures for such districts not in accordance with sections:

- (a) 7.020. and 7.030. (Proposing and Endorsing Legislation);
- (b) 8.030. and 8.040. (Proposing and Endorsing Resolutions);
- (c) 15.020. – 15.060. (District Meetings and District Fund); and
- (d) 16.030. (Duties of a Governor)

(Subsequent sections will be renumbered as appropriate)

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-72

To revise the criteria for changing district boundaries

To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows

Article 15 Districts

15.010. How Established.

The board is authorized to group clubs into districts and set their boundaries.

15.010.1. Eliminating and Changing Boundaries.

~~The board may eliminate or change the boundaries of a district with more than 100 clubs or fewer than 1,100 Rotarians, and then may move clubs from these districts into adjacent districts, merge these districts with others, or divide them.~~
The board may change the boundaries of a district with fewer than 20 clubs or 1,100 Rotarians or merge clubs in these districts with adjacent districts, or divide a district with more than 100 clubs or 5,400 Rotarians. Otherwise, no change shall be made to the boundaries of a district if a majority of its clubs object. The board may eliminate or change the boundaries of a district only after consulting with the governors and clubs involved and allowing them reasonable opportunity to provide a recommendation on the proposed change. The board shall consider geographical boundaries, potential for district growth, and cultural, economic, language, and other relevant factors. The board shall establish procedures for administration, leadership, and representation of future or merged districts.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-78

To amend the Avenues of Service to include positive peace

To amend the **STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION** as follows

Article 6 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 and lending their vocational skills to club-developed projects in order to address the issues and needs of society.

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 by striving for positive peace in the community.
4. International Service, the fourth Avenue of Service, comprises those activities that members do to advance international understanding, goodwill, and positive 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. 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 positive world peace and cultural understanding.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-84

To allow Rotaractors to attend Rotary club meetings

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 4 Membership in Clubs

4.090. Attendance at Other Clubs.

~~A Rotarian~~ Rotarians and Rotaractors may attend a regular meeting or satellite club meeting of ~~another club~~ other Rotary clubs. However, a member terminated for good cause may not attend a regular meeting or satellite club meeting of their former club.

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-85

To remove the attendance report requirement

*To amend the **BYLAWS** of Rotary International as follows*

Article 4 Membership in Clubs

~~**4.080. Attendance Reports.**~~

~~Each club shall forward monthly attendance reports of its meetings to the governor within 15 days after the last meeting of each month. Non-districted clubs shall forward attendance reports to the general secretary.~~

(Subsequent sections will be renumbered as appropriate)

(End of Text)

ADOPTED ENACTMENT 22-92

To revise the process for approving excused absences

*To amend the **STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION** as follows*

Article 10 Attendance

Section 5 — *Excused Absences.* A member's absence shall be excused if:

- (b) The sum of the member's age and years of membership in one or more clubs is 85 years or more, the member has been a Rotarian for at least 20 years, the member has notified the club secretary in writing of a desire to be excused from attendance, and ~~the board has approved~~ only these requirements are taken into consideration.

(End of Text)

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 1 August 2022.***

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 2022 Council on Legislation:

22-_____

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 2022 (honorary members excepted) entitles it to:

Rotary
Club of:

District:

Number
of Votes:

President
Signature:

Return this form by 1 August 2022 to:
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