

Trustee decisions

October 2019

The Rotary Foundation Trustees met on 28–30 October 2019 at the Rotary International Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, USA and reviewed 8 committee reports and recorded 38 decisions.

Administration

The Trustees

- elected Trustee John Germ as their chair-elect in 2020–21 and Trustee Michael F. Webb as their vice chair in 2020–21.

Fund Development

The Trustees

- endorsed a fundraising goal for 2020–21 to be announced at the 2020 International Assembly;
- renamed the Arch Klumph Society Family Circle to the Arch Klumph Society Circle of Honor and expanded the recognition's eligibility.

Programs

The Trustees

- agreed to consider adding Environmental issues as a new Area of Focus or adding environmental issues to an existing area of focus, and established a task force to study the matter, for report at the April 2020 Trustees meeting;
- approved a pilot partnership concept with the Global Partnership for Education, a global fund that aims to strengthen education systems in developing countries;
- agreed to a resource partnership with the Eleanor Crook Foundation that will involve a nutrition initiative with the Power of Nutrition in a sub Saharan Africa country;
- agreed to add Gavi The Vaccine Alliance as a partner to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative;
- awarded US\$50 million in PolioPlus grants to the World Health Organization and UNICEF including \$39.7 million to the combined World Health Organization (WHO) African Region office and UNICEF, the combined WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region office and UNICEF, and \$10.3 million to WHO for the replenishment of the mOPV2 vaccine stockpile;
- received the list of finalists awarded the 2020–21 Rotary Peace Fellowships.

Finance

The Trustees

- accepted the audited 2018–19 financial statements and report on The Rotary Foundation's financial results;
- agreed to pursue the creation of a Public Benevolent Institution in Australia.