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Rotary International District 9700

Governor: Michael Milston

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION Committee and Position Mandates

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A **Standing Committee** is one which provides advice to the Board and oversees a range of special committees

A **Special Committee** is one charged with the planning, operation and management of a specific program or project



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Name of Program: The Rotary Foundation

Status of Program: Represents The Rotary International charity in District 9700

Objectives: The Rotary Foundation is 'Our Charity', that ***does good in the world.***

The mission of the Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education and the alleviation of poverty.

The Foundation is implementing a new Grant structure with six areas of focus to reflect critical humanitarian issues and needs that Rotarians are addressing worldwide. They align Rotary with other international development efforts and will strategically further the Foundations mission.

The **six areas of focus** are:

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development

Tasks:

- To promote support for the Rotary Foundation among members and Clubs in District 9700
- To inform members and Clubs about Foundation programs and the operation of the Foundation
- To encourage and facilitate participation in Foundation programs
- To relay information in respect to the Bequest Society

Meeting Frequency: N/A

Reporting: To the District Governor, through the District Board

Finances and Audit Requirements: Managed through the District Treasurer

Committee Chair & Director: 2016–2017 PDG David Kennedy

Name of Role: District and Global Grants Coordinator

Status of Role: To manage the investment of distributed funds from the Rotary Foundation in local and overseas projects

Grant Objectives:

District Grants

District grants fund short-term projects and activities, either local or international that support the Foundations Mission.

Clubs submit their funding requests to the District, which administers and distributes the funds. The District has procedures and policies for how and when Clubs submit requests, as well as any additional requirements.

Global Grants

Global grants fund large-scale projects and activities that:

- Align with one or more area of focus;
- Respond to a need the benefiting community has identified;
- Include the active participation of the benefiting community;
- Are designed to be sustainable by enabling the community to help itself after the Rotary club or district has concluded its work; and
- Have measurable results.

Activities funded by Global grants include:

- Humanitarian projects to address community needs by providing sustainable, measurable outcomes in the benefiting community
- Vocational training teams to build skills within a community by offering local training or by supporting groups of professionals abroad for rigorous study of their profession or to teach local professionals about a particular field. This type of training may be most effective in conjunction with a humanitarian project.
- Scholarships fund study by graduates whose career goals support an area of focus.

More detail in RI booklet at <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/document/518>

Coordinator Tasks:

- To promote the availability of Foundation Grants to members and Clubs within D9700
- To coordinate and process Grant applications from within the District
- To assist Clubs with grant applications

Meeting Frequency: N/A

Reporting: To the District Board through the Director Foundation

Finances and Audit Requirements: Managed through the District Treasurer

Grants Coordinator: 2016 - 2017 John McKenzie

Name of Committee: PolioPlus Awareness and Support Committee

Status of Committee: Special Committee of the Rotary Foundation function

Objectives: After 20 years, Rotary and its international partners are on the brink of eradicating Polio in the world. Rotary’s efforts have led to a 99.9% reduction in the cases of polio worldwide, with the virus only remaining endemic in a few countries.

A major effort continues to finally rid the world of this crippling and devastating disease that is preventable with vaccination of all children. The target for a world free of Polio is 2018.

All Clubs are asked to continue their support this project of The Rotary Foundation.

Committee Tasks:

- To promote support for the Polio Plus program to members and Clubs within D9700
- To coordinate fund raising initiatives within D9700 in support of Polio Plus
- To provide updated information on progress of the Polio Plus program to Clubs in D9700

Meeting Frequency: As needed

Reporting: To the District Board through the Director - Foundation

Finances and Audit Requirements: Managed through the District Treasurer

Committee Chair: 2016 – 2017 Ellen Brasier

Name of Role: District Paul Harris Society Coordinator

Status of Role: To encourage and enlist Rotarians to commit membership of the Paul Harris Society

What is the Paul Harris Society

The Paul Harris Society, named after Rotary’s founder, is made up of dedicated supporters who annually contribute \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Rotary Foundation grant.

The purpose of the Paul Harris Society is to honour and thank individuals for their generosity of annual support to The Rotary Foundation.

Doing Good - Made Easy

- Rotary Direct, Rotary’s recurring giving program, makes it easy to join the Paul Harris Society. Sign up to give \$1,000 over the course of a year, and you’ll automatically become a member of the society. Membership begins as soon as you make the commitment.
- The annual support of Paul Harris Society members allows us to fulfill the promises we make to improve our local communities and communities around the world.

Reporting: To the District Board through the Director - Foundation

Finances and Audit Requirements: Managed through the District Treasurer

Coordinator: 2016 - 2017 PDG Fred Loneragan

Name of Role: Royce Abbey Scholarships Coordinator

Status of Role: Engage, encourage and assist Clubs to make a contribution to this Scholarship financially

Objectives:

The Royce and Jean Abbey Endowed Fund was initially established with the financial support of the District Governors in 1988/89, the year Royce Abbey was President of Rotary International. It has since been supplemented by donations by Rotarians and by the contributions from the Royce Abbey Awards.

The earnings of the Fund are used for Humanitarian programmes and in particular to fund individuals and teams from the Asia Pacific Region to undertake practical training in Australia in the areas of food production, forestry, agriculture, environmental research, and community development.

The training is intended to equip the successful candidates to impart the knowledge gained to their own communities.

The scholarship covers travel, accommodation, tuition and practical training up to US\$10,000 for three months for each individual team member. Recent scholars in D9700 have been from Timor Leste, PNG and Cambodia.

Clubs are encouraged to support this Fund by making a contribution of \$A1000 and bestowing a Royce Abbey Award to a relatively new member in recognition of their willing participation in Club activities.

See: <http://www.royceabbey.com/index.php/scholarship/about-the-scholarship>

Coordinator Tasks:

- To promote the Royce Abbey Scholarship program to members and Clubs within D9700
- To coordinate and process scholarship applications from within the District
- To coordinate the program for Royce Abbey Scholars
- To encourage Clubs to support the Royce Abbey Awards
- To coordinate ongoing support for projects for Royce Abbey scholars on their return to their home country

Meeting Frequency: N/A

Reporting: To the District Board through the Director Foundation

Finances and Audit Requirements: Managed through the District Treasurer

Coordinator: 2016 – 2017 Hank Doll

Name of Role: District Rotary World Peace Fellowships Coordinator

Status of Role: Engage, encourage and assist Clubs to support Peace Fellowships

Objectives:

Rotary Peace Fellowships enable individuals to pursue a graduate degree in international relations, peace, conflict resolution, and related subjects, or a professional development certificate in peace and conflict studies at one of the six Rotary Peace Centres. These fellowships are funded from The Rotary Foundation.

Each year, the Foundation funds up to 100 fellows to study at six Rotary Peace Centres. Fellows earn masters-level degrees or professional development certificates.

Since 2002-3, 769 fellows from more than 110 countries have participated in the program.

Coordinator Tasks:

- To promote the Foundation World Peace Fellowship program to members and Clubs within D9700
- To coordinate and process scholarship applications from within the District

Meeting Frequency: N/A

Reporting: To the District Board through the Director – Foundation

Finances and Audit Requirements: Managed through the District Treasurer

Coordinator: 2016–2017 PDG Ray King

Name of Role: D9700 Centurion Club / Every Rotarian Every Year Coordinator

Status of Role: Engage with Rotarians to make an annual financial commitment to the Rotary Foundation

Objectives: Individuals can become a Centurion by donating \$A100 each year to the Foundation. Donations made out to the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust are tax deductible and count towards Paul Harris Fellow recognition.

Generally donations support the Annual Fund programs of the Foundation, although donors can direct them to Polio Plus. Half the contributions to Annual Fund program are returned in 3 years for District projects.

Coordinator Tasks:

- To promote concept and membership of the Centurion program to members of D9700
- To maintain a database of members within the District
- To issue invoices/reminders annually in November (Foundation month) to members who contribute annually

Meeting Frequency: N/A

Reporting: To the District Board through the Director - Foundation

Finances and Audit Requirements: Managed through the District Treasurer

Coordinator: 2016 – 2017 PDG Ian Tooke