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1. KORT OM DEN HISTORISKE BAKGRUNN FOR COL

The Council ble opprettet i 1933, og møtte for første gang ved Rotary Convention i 1934. Formålet var å tjene som et «rådgivende organ» som skulle bistå med gjennomgang av lovendringer og anbefalinger foreslått på den årlige Convention.

Convention i 1970 bestemte at Rådet ikke lenger bare skulle være rådgivende. Rådet ble etablert som RIs offisielle lovgivende forsamling, som skal behandle forslag om endringer i Rotarys grunnlov og vedtekter, samt endringer i standard lover for Rotaryklubbene. Fire år senere bestemte delegatene at Council skulle møtes hvert tredje år, fortsatt i forbindelse med

Convention. I 1997 vedtok Council endelig å møte uavhengig av Convention. Representantene fra Rotary-distriktene over hele verden møtes nå hvert tredje år i Chicago, Illinois, USA for å diskutere endringer i retningslinjene som styrer Rotaryklubbene. Ønsket er å bringe Rotary fremover og tilpasse seg de skiftende tider. Årets COL 2019 behandlet 116 forslag til endringer.

I dag er Council on Legislation Lovrådet i Rotary - Den lovgivende forsamling. Denne holdes hvert 3. år, med deltakere fra alle Rotary Internationals ca. 530 distrikter.

2. SAMMENDRAG

COL 2019 gav ikke de samme store endringer som COL 2016, hvor man vedtok at Rotaryklubbene skulle få langt større frihet til å tilpasse seg. Men COL 2019 stemte ned en rekke forslag som tok sikte på å reversere denne prosessen, og gav således sin støtte til de innovative og fleksible løsningene som allerede er tilgjengelig for klubbene. Dette anses nødvendig for å møte nåværende og nye medlemmers behov.

Blant de viktigste lovendringer, var beslutningen om å gi Rotaract-programmet en høyere status, ved at Rotaract-klubbene nå blir direkte medlemmer i Rotary International. Forslagsstiller var RIs president Barry Rassin. Vedtaket er, ved siden av ønsket om å starte nye Rotaryklubber med yngre medlemmer i områder hvor det allerede er etablerte klubber, et viktig skritt for å gi yngre yrkesutøvere et mer tilpasset tilbud.

Når det gjelder avgifter, godkjente rådet en beskjeden økning på 1\$ i året for hvert av de kommende tre år, som begynner i 2020-21. Med økningen vil de beløp klubbene betaler til RI per medlem øke til 34,50 dollar per halvår i 2020-21, 35 dollar per halvår i 2021-22 og 35,50 dollar per halvår i 2022-23. Eventuelle endringer må vedtas på neste lovråd.

Representantene avviste forslag om å gjøre det frivillig for medlemmene å abonnere på et offisielt Rotary magasin.

En lovteknisk gjennomgang av vedtektene for Rotary International og standard Rotary klubblover er gjennomført og godkjent av lovrådet. Disse sendes ut til klubbene i engelsk versjon og blir gjeldende fra 1.juli 2019.

Del 2 av rapporten inneholder vedtatte lovendringer samt oppdaterte lover og vedtekter i engelsk versjon. Del 2 sendes ut så snart de foreligger.

De enkelte lovforslag benevnes med to nummer – hhv årstall for COL og nummer på forslaget: f.eks. 19-01. Alle lovforslagene med begrunnelser og antatt økonomisk effekt, kan søkes opp på Rotary.org – «Proposed Legislation – 2019 Council on Legislation».

Det er bare såkalte «Enactments» som behandles på Council on Legislation. Disse endringsforslagene tar sikte på endringer i «RI Constitutional documents». Dette er Lover for Rotary International, Vedtektene for Rotary International og Lover for Rotaryklubber. Disse kan ikke endres på annen måte enn gjennom vedtak på COL – og er ufravikelige.



Bilde: Council Chair William Duane Benton. Suveren ledelse av COL - kanskje ikke så rart med hans bakgrunn. Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. Før det bl.a. Chief Justice of the Missouri Supreme Court

3. PRESENTASJON AV STRATEGISK PLAN

COL fikk en presentasjon av vår nye strategiske plan. I juni 2018 godkjente styret i RI fire prioriteringer som grunnlag for Rotarys nye strategiske plan for de neste fem årene. Det arbeides nå med implementering og lansering av planen fra 1.juli 2019. Dette er noe som må innarbeides både i distriktets- og klubbenes videre virksomhet.

Det vises til Vedlegg 1 til rapporten, hvor presentasjonen av strategisk plan fra COL vedlegges. Dette vil bli fulgt opp av de kommende guvernører i årene frem mot 2023-24.



4. PRESENTASJON AV 5 YEARS FORKAST

Lov rådet får seg forelagt et begrunnet budsjett basert på de ønsker og forventinger medlemmene i Rotary har til servicenivå og tjenester. Vedlagte presentasjon ble presentert for lovrådet, som så vedtok en begrenset økning av kontingenten med 1\$ per medlem per år for hvert av de kommende tre årene i trå med forslaget som var fremmet. Prognosen viser med den vedtatte økningen bra balanse frem til 2022, men er ikke tilfredsstillende på mellomlang sikt. Det ligger klare føringer for at styret i de neste årene skal

- Gjennomgå forretningsprosess og prosedyrer
- Flytt arbeid/tjenester til lavkost jurisdiksjoner (f.eks. India)
- Iverksette nye finansielle styringssystemer
- Endre Rotary Internationals skattestatus i USA

Spørsmålet om skattestatus ble debattert (19-117). Spørsmålet har ingen skattemessig betydning ut over USA, ut over at det gir mulighet for betydelige kostandsfradrag for RI – og som sådan også betyr noe for finansieringen av virksomheten.

Kort fortalt er Rotary organisert i to deler:

- The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International (TrF), som i dag har en humanitær status/veldedig organisasjon i (amerikansk) skattelovs forstand (charitable status) [Section 501(c)(3) tax exempt]
- RI (Rotary International Holding, NFP og Rotary International) er registrert som en «social welfare organization». [Tax exempt under Section 501(c)(4)].

TRF har ingen ansatte, men står for våre humanitære virksomheter innenfor de prioriterte områder, innsamling av bidrag mv.. RI på sin side drifter Rotarys aktiviteter, arrangementer som Convention og International assembly, og ungdomsprogrammer.

Ved å endre skattemessig status på RI til det samme som TRF («charitable status»), kan man få betydelige skattemessige fordeler som humanitær organisasjon – anslått som følger:

- USD 400.000,- gjennom gunstige priser fra leverandører per år,
- USD 275.000,- gjennom gunstig skattebehandling per år,
- fordeler for amerikanske skattebetalere som ønsker å støtte Ris aktiviteter,
- berettiget til visse bedriftssponsorer som vil kunne øke inntektene.

Kritikerne vil hevde at RI ikke er en humanitær organisasjon i skattemessig forstand – i det RI tilbyr nettverking og helt andre tjenester enn en veldedig organisasjon. Videre var disse opptatt av at det ikke skal bli konkurranse mellom de to delene av Rotary, når det gjelder bidrag og fundraising. En bekymring var også hvordan Charity Navigator rating blir påvirket av dette (per i dag 4-star charity (øverste nivå)). Det første avgjøres i søknadsprosessen med amerikanske skattemyndigheter. En gruppe nedsatt med TRF Trustees og RI Directors (styremedlemmer i RI) har konkludert med at «konkurranse» ikke er et vesentlig problem forde hver organisasjon har forskjellig oppdrag. Mulig konkurranse er løst ved at det inngås en avtale mellom RI og TRF. Bekymringen om endringer i rating av TRF ble også avvist da det ikke skjer noen endring av denne virksomheten.

Det blir ingen praktiske endringer i måten RI drives på i dag. Heller ikke TRF vil endres. Sistnevnte vil fortsatt være Rotarys primære instrument for vår humanitære virksomhet og donasjoner. Det var flertall i lovrådet for at styret kan gå videre med søknad om å endre skattemessig status.

5. LOVFORSLAGENE

Per 30.september 2018 ble alle lovforslag sendt guvernørene i alle distrikt, tidligere styremedlemmer i RI og alle medlemmene av COL. Dette er i samsvar med RI konstitusjonelle dokumenter (Lover og vedtekter for RI). Lovforslagene kommer fra klubber, distrikter, RIBI og Styret i Rotary International. For første gang fremmet også RI Presidenten et forslag – nemlig å gi Rotaractklubbene medlemskap i Rotary International.



Lovforslagene kan grupperes som følger:

- Avenyer for tjeneste, Rotarys formål, og Kjerneverdier
- Klubbadministrasjon
- Møte og fremmøteregler
- Medlemskap
- Valg av RI President
- Valg av RI styremedlemmer
- Guvernørvalg
- Valg- diverse
- Distriktsadministrasjon
- Rotary International - generell
- Rotary International - medlemskap
- Rotary International - komiteer
- Rotary International - Convention
- RI Finances og Per Capita Dues
- COL – prosedyreregler
- COL – møter og representasjon
- COL - diverse
- Teknisk lovgivning



6. Nærmere om enkelte forslag

6.1 Avenyer for tjeneste, Rotarys formål, og Kjerneverdier (19-01 til 19-17)

Det ble fremsendt i alt 17 forslag, hvorav 2 ble trukket før behandling i COL. Samtlige forslag ble nedstemt. Det ble bl.a. fremmet forslag om å inkludere firespørsmålsprøven i bestemmelsen om de fem avenyer i Lov for Rotaryklubbene. I og for seg et greit forslag, men flertallet mente at det var unødvendig å ta dette inn i lovene.

De fleste forslagene ønsket å understreke et bestemt problemområde, som miljøvern eller landbruk. Det var bl.a. tre forslag som ønsket å inkorporere «bærekraftig miljø» i Rotarys grunnlov og i klubblovene (f.eks. et femte formål: The preservation of Planet Earth in its diversity.). Et annet av forslagene ønsket f.eks. å spesifisere at Samfunnstjeneste består av aktiviteter som skal fremme landbruk f.eks. gjennom å skaffe vannressurser og forskning og utvikling av landbruksproduksjon. Flertallet argumenterte for at dagens formuleringer gir nok fleksibilitet til å håndtere disse og andre globale utfordringer uten å fremtvinge å måtte prioritere en bestemt sak over andre.

COL 2019 ønsket heller ikke å ta inn «Peace» eller «Literacy» i formålsparagrafen for Rotary, eller en egen artikkel som angir våre kjerneverdier i Rotarys grunnlov. Noen vil nok argumentere for at lovrådet er noe konservativt. En skal ha i mente at endringer i Rotarys grunnlov krever 2/3 flertall.

6.2 Klubbadministrasjon, og fremmøteregele (19-18 til 19-39)

Etter forslag fra Rotaryklubben Madras Temple City i India fikk vi et tillegg i bestemmelsen om medlemskap i vedtektene for Rotary International som er ment å fremme likeverd og gjøre det lettere for kvinner i deler av verden å bli medlemmer av Rotary (19-18):

“Each club shall endeavor to build a well-balanced membership that celebrates diversity.”

En interessant diskusjon var det også om begrepet «høy etisk standard». Forslagsstillerne argumenterte for at dette burde omformuleres til «ethics and integrity in business and

professions». Forslaget fikk simpelt flertall, men ikke 2/3 av stemmene slik krevet for å bli vedtatt.

Et forslag om at Rotaryklubbene skal møte minst 40 ganger i året ble nedstemt. Det ble særlig henvisning til at det har gått for kort tid siden COL2016 til at man vil reversere den fleksibilitet som da ble gitt. Mange klubber har tvert imot dratt nytte av disse endringene.

En viktig presisering ble vedtatt i lovene for Rotaryklubben vedrørende fremleggelse av halvårsrapport inklusive inntekter og kostnader, samt årsregnskap for foregående år på klubbens generalforsamling (19-24*). Denne skal avholdes innen 31. desember. Forslaget kom fra et distrikt i Nigeria, hvor man er særlig opptatt av governance på bakgrunn av rådende forhold.

Det ble ellers gjort noen mindre utvidelser i tiden for rapportering (19-26) av navneendring eller lokalisering (21 dager). En satellittklubb kan nå revideres av morklubben i stedet for revisor.

Når det gjelder fremmøteregele og krav til fremmøte (for de klubber som fortsatt praktiserer dette) har medlemmer til nå hatt en tidsfrist på 14 dager for å «gjøre opp for fraværet» (innen 14 dager før eller etter møtet) gjennom å delta f.eks. i Rotaract møter, Distriktskonferanse, RI Convention osv. Denne fristen er endret til å gjelde «innenfor samme år» (19-35).

Et forslag om å erstatte fremmøterapportering med en rapportering av engasjement/involvering falt. Dette er noe som uansett er kan gjennomføres på frivillig basis gjennom registrering og klubbens rapportering i Club Central.

COL fjernet unødige restriksjonen i Rotarys vedtekter og lovene for Rotaryklubber vedrørende personer valgt inn i offentlige verv for en periode (19-37). Disse ble før endringen utelukket fra medlemskap i Rotary.

Videre er den tallmessige begrensningen vedrørende klassifikasjoner fjernet. Det heter nå:

“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

Each club shall have a well-balanced membership in which no one business, profession, **occupation**, or type of community service, or other classification predominates.”

Bestemmelsen om “Classifications” er endret til «Club Membership Composition». I bestemmelsen er også ordet «Occupation» lagt til i det ikke alle faller under definisjonen av «profesjon». I engelsk versjon heter det nå:

“Each member shall be classified in accordance with the member’s business, profession, occupation, or type of community service. The classification shall be that which describes the principal and recognized activity of the firm, company, or institution with which the member is connected or that which describes the member’s principal and recognized business or professional activity or that which describes the nature of the member’s community service activity. The board may adjust a member’s classification if the member changes positions, professions, or occupations.”

2019 Council on legislation of Rotary International. Igjennom en rekke lovforslag med gode konklusjoner som bringer Rotary videre. Enda to dager med rådslaging. Topp moderne hjelpemidler - men også kort med gule og blå striper. Disse heves når delegatene mener å ha hatt nok diskusjon, og vil ha avstemning. Kanskje en ide for Storting og andre med lignende behov?



- 6.3 RI President, RI Styre og Guvernører, Valg- diverse (19-40 til 19-55), 13.juli 2017 døde Sam. F. Oworu som var valgt som president i Rotary International 2018-19. Prosessen med å finne hans erstatter avdekket svakheter i ved valgsystemet og ekskluderte gode kandidater. COL vedtok forenklinger i regelverket, og åpner for at en erstatter kan velges blant det utvalg av kandidater som forelå.

Et forslag om å lovfeste at RI Presidenten ikke skal velges fra samme bostedsland to år på rad, ble vedtatt.

Forslag om å redusere tjenestetid for å bli valgt til guvernør ble nedstemt. Det samme ble et forslag om at det enkelte Rotarymedlem skal kunne stemme på guvernør – ikke klubbene. Det siste forslaget kunne synes mer demokratisk. Det er imidlertid klubbene som er medlemmer i

Rotary International. Størrelsesforhold kan også gi utilsiktede virkninger, ved at store klubber blir helt dominerende ved valg.

Perioden for å fremme konkurrerende kandidater ble begrenset til 15 dager, og ikke etter guvernørens valg slik nå. (19-52)

Dersom guvernør ikke blir i stand til å fylle rollen, ble det vedtatt et endringsforslag som begrenser utvalg av erstatter til tidligere guvernører, som fortrinnsvis skal komme fra samme distrikt. Begrunnelsen er den omfattende opplæring guvernørene har gjennomført. Tidligere regulering åpnet for en kvalifisert Rotarianer uten å angi past guvernørkravet (19-53).

Det nevnes også en ny bestemmelse om at en klubb som skal stemme på guvernør må ha betalt kontingenter til distriktet angjeldende år, og heller ikke stå i gjeld til distriktet (19-54).

6.4 Distriktsadministrasjon (19-56 til 19-59)

Vi har ikke viseguvernører i våre distrikter. Et forslag om å fjerne disse ble nedstemt.

En ny bestemmelse om District Legislation Meeting ble vedtatt. Dersom 1/3 av klubbpresidentene i et distrikt ber om et slikt møte til guvernør, skal denne avholde dette innen 8 uker (19-58).

6.5 Rotary International -generelt (19-60 til 19-71)

Det er nå nedfelt et krav til Ris styremedlemmer om at de skal rapportere om de beslutninger som fattes i styret og sine aktiviteter som styremedlem tilbake til medlemmene i de soner han representerer (19-61)

Rotarys generalsekretær får endret tittel til bruk eksternt – CEO, Chief Executive Officer of RI (19-62). Dette for å tilpasse seg andre internasjonale organisasjoner. Internt brukes fortsatt generalsekretær.

Ris styre gis mandat til å endre navnet på tidsskriftet «The Rotarian» hvis ønskelig, ved at navnet tas ut av Rotary Internationals vedtekter (19-66).

Et forslag om å oppheve obligatorisk abonnement på et Rotary tidsskrift (f.eks. Rotary Norden), ble nedstemt (19-67). Dette er gode nyheter for de som ønsker å opprettholde bladene/magasinene. Som fremholdt under COL koster også digitale utgaver noe, slik at det, uavhengig av en ønsket overgang til digitalt format, er behov for abonnenter.

Det tas inn en bestemmelse om at klubber med under 6 medlemmer kan avvikles av styret i RI etter anbefaling fra Guvernør i distriktet. (19-70).

6.6 Rotary International – medlemskap (19-71 til 19-73)

Den største endingen kom da COL vedtok et forslag om at Rotaractklubber kan søke om å bli medlemmer av Rotary International.

Det er som kjent Rotaryklubbene (og ikke det enkelte rotarymedlem) som er medlemmer av Rotary International. Nå kan altså Rotaractklubbene også være direkte medlemmer i Rotary International. Dersom en Rotaractklubb søker om medlemskap, kan klubben søke om å være både en Rotaract og en Rotary klubb – eller bare en Rotaryklubb.

Det vedtatte forslaget må ses på bakgrunn av Rotarys medlemsmasse og klubbenes alderssammensetning. De fleste klubber fungerer meget godt for den aldersgruppe som er representert, men gir ikke nødvendigvis et godt nok tilbud til yngre medlemmer. Forslaget må

også ses som et tiltak for å lette overgangen fra Rotaract til Rotary og å trekke til seg yngre medlemmer.

6.7 Rotary International – komiteer (19-74 til 19-78)

Rotaract og Interactkomiteen i RI styrkes med Rotractere. Ellers ble forslaget om en komite for informasjonsteknologi stemt ned med begrunnelse at RI ellers har god kompetanse på dette feltet, og at den ny komite er unødvendig.

6.8 Rotay International - Conventions

Det ble vedtatt endringer for å modernisere og oppdatere vedtektene til Rotary International som omhandler den årlige Convention.

6.9 Rotarys finanser og medlemsavgifter

Etter en redegjørelse om Rotarys finanser, stemte COL for å øke medlemsavgiften i de tre kommende år (19-82). Klubbene skal betale for hvert medlem US\$35.00 per halvår i 2019-2020, US\$ 34.50 per halvår i 2020-2021, US\$35.00 per halvår i 2021-2022, og US\$35.50 per halvår i 2022-2023 og deretter inntil COL endrer dette.

Se vedlegg med bakgrunnsinformasjon.

Det var fremmet flere forslag om redusert kontingent for eldre medlemmer og ektefeller. Alle ble nedstemt.

Tre av lovforslagene handlet om Rotarys General Surplus Fund. Navnet ble vedtatt endret til «RI Reserve» for bedre å reflektere hva dette er. Videre ble vedtatt forslag om å løse noe opp i de strikte bestemmelsene om reservenes størrelse.

6.10 COL – møter og representasjon mm

Det ble fra Rotary Internationals styre fremmet flere forslag som ble oppfattet å ville svekke Rotarys demokratiske legitimitet og distriktenes representasjon. Begrunnelsen er oftest økonomi.

De fleste forslagene falt, men styret i Rotary International ble gitt en rett til å fremme forslag som krever en raskere behandling enn det 3 års syklusen tilsier. Disse forslagene skal rettes til det årlige Council on Resolutions som normalt bare behandler innspill til styret i Rotary International.

Det ble en del debatt om hvorvidt Council on Resolutions er et egnet forum til å fatte lovendringer, i og med at det ikke er fysisk fremmøte (stemmegivning digitalt) eller noen mulighet for diskusjon. Jeg vil tro at alle som har deltatt på et COL har fått en skikkelig aha-opplevelse av viktigheten av å høre begrunnelser og delta i debatten før man gjør seg opp en endelig mening, og stemmer over de ulike lovforslag. Vi har behov for å styrke demokratiet i Rotary. Lovrådet – Rotarys Parlament - med møtende representanter fra hvert distrikt, er et svært viktig organ i denne sammenheng.

Jeg gikk selv på talerstolen for å forsvare COLs rolle.



Delegatene opplevde nok en viss kompetansestrid, og flere av forslagene som var fremmet av styret, ble oppfattet å svekke COL.

En tidligere president i Rotary International hadde ingen heldig dag på podiet, da han i flere innlegg ble oppfattet å fornærme representantene. All tidligere RI Presidenter har hatt møte og talerett, men ikke stemmerett i COL frem til 2019 Council on Legislation..

Et forslag om å frata tidligere RI presidenter møterett vant etter dette tilslutning. Et forsøk på å ta dette opp til avstemming dagen etter styrket bare tilslutningen til forslaget. Styre i Rotary International har også møterett, og ble – får vi vel si – med i dragsuget. For de sistes del kanskje en ikke helt heldig beslutning. Jeg har også en viss sympati med tidligere RI presidenter som bruker år av sitt liv på Rotary og innehar kompetanse. Men det er kanskje ikke nødvendig at alle disse møtes på COL.

Tidligere RI Presidenter og Styret i Rotary International ble altså fratatt sin møterett på COL med noen unntak. President, president- elect og ett styremedlem har fortsatt møterett. Begrunnelsen var formelt innsparinger.

6.11 [Technical legislation](#)

Det er foretatt en lovteknisk gjennomgang av Vedtektene for Rotary International. COL vedtok en modernisert og mer strømlinjeformet utgave. (19-115).

På samme måte er det foretatt en lovteknisk gjennomgang av Standart Rotary Club lover. Disse ble også vedtatt av COL.

Disse tekstene blir korrigerert med vedtakene gjort under COL og blir sendt ut til klubber og distrikter gjeldende fra 1.juli 2019 og som Del 2 av denne rapport fra COL så snart de foreligger.



Den norske delegasjonen til COL 2019. Fv Carl Lewin 2250, Lena Mjærskaug 2260, Eiliv Moe 2275, Ingrid Berget 2290, Oddbjørn Øien 2305 og Stig Asmussen 2310. (bilde fra Eiliv).

VEDLEGG: 1. STRATEGISK PLAN

VEDLEGG: 2. 5 YEARS FORCAST

VEDLEGG: 3. EKSTRAKT AV LOVFORSLAG MED STEMMEGIVNING



ROTARY'S VISION STATEMENT

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

As we stand on the cusp of eliminating polio, we find ourselves poised for our next challenge. The time is right to move toward realizing a new vision that brings more people together, increases our impact, and creates lasting change around the world.

To achieve the vision of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation, we have set four priorities that will direct our work over the next five years.

ROTARY'S STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND OBJECTIVES

INCREASE OUR IMPACT

- Eradicate polio and leverage the legacy
- Focus our programs and offerings
- Improve our ability to achieve and measure impact

EXPAND OUR REACH

- Grow and diversify our membership and participation
- Create new channels into Rotary
- Increase Rotary's openness and appeal
- Build awareness of our impact and brand

ENHANCE PARTICIPANT ENGAGEMENT

- Support clubs to better engage their members
- Develop a participant-centered approach to deliver value
- Offer new opportunities for personal and professional connection
- Provide leadership development and skills training

INCREASE OUR ABILITY TO ADAPT

- Build a culture of research, innovation, and willingness to take risks
- Streamline governance, structure, and processes
- Review governance to foster more diverse perspectives in decision-making

ROTARY'S CORE VALUES

The world today is not the same as it was when Rotary was founded in 1905. Demographics have shifted, the pace of change has accelerated, and technology has created new opportunities for connection and service. What hasn't changed is a need for the values that define Rotary:



FELLOWSHIP
INTEGRITY
DIVERSITY
SERVICE
LEADERSHIP

By honoring our past and embracing our future, we can evolve and keep Rotary not only relevant, but thriving.



JOIN LEADERS | EXCHANGE IDEAS | TAKE ACTION rotary.org/strategicplan



RI FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL FORECAST

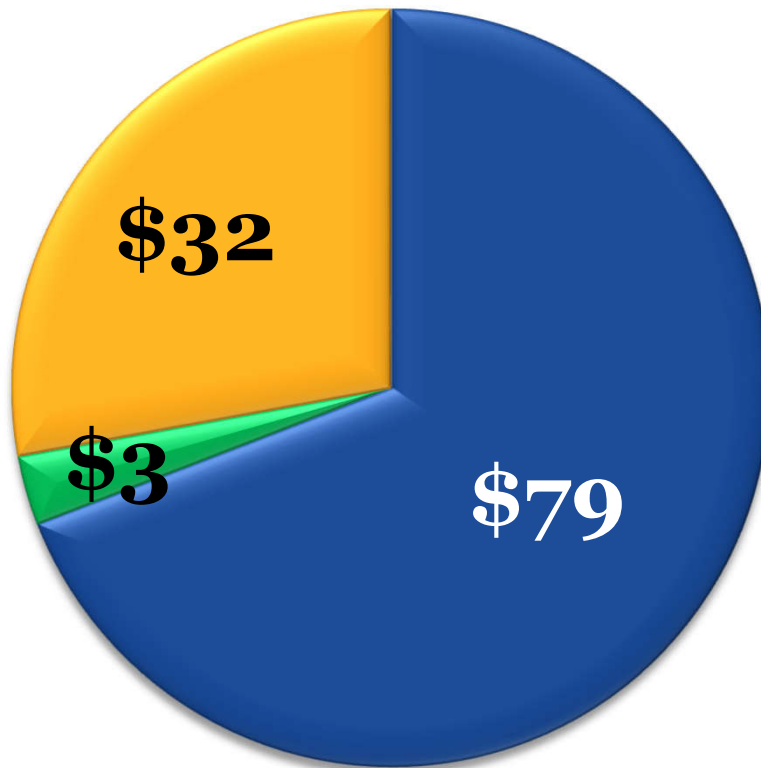
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AGENDA

- Review sources of revenue
- Review results 2016 – present
- RI Five-Year Forecast 2020 - 2024

REVENUES 2019 BUDGET (US\$ MILLIONS)

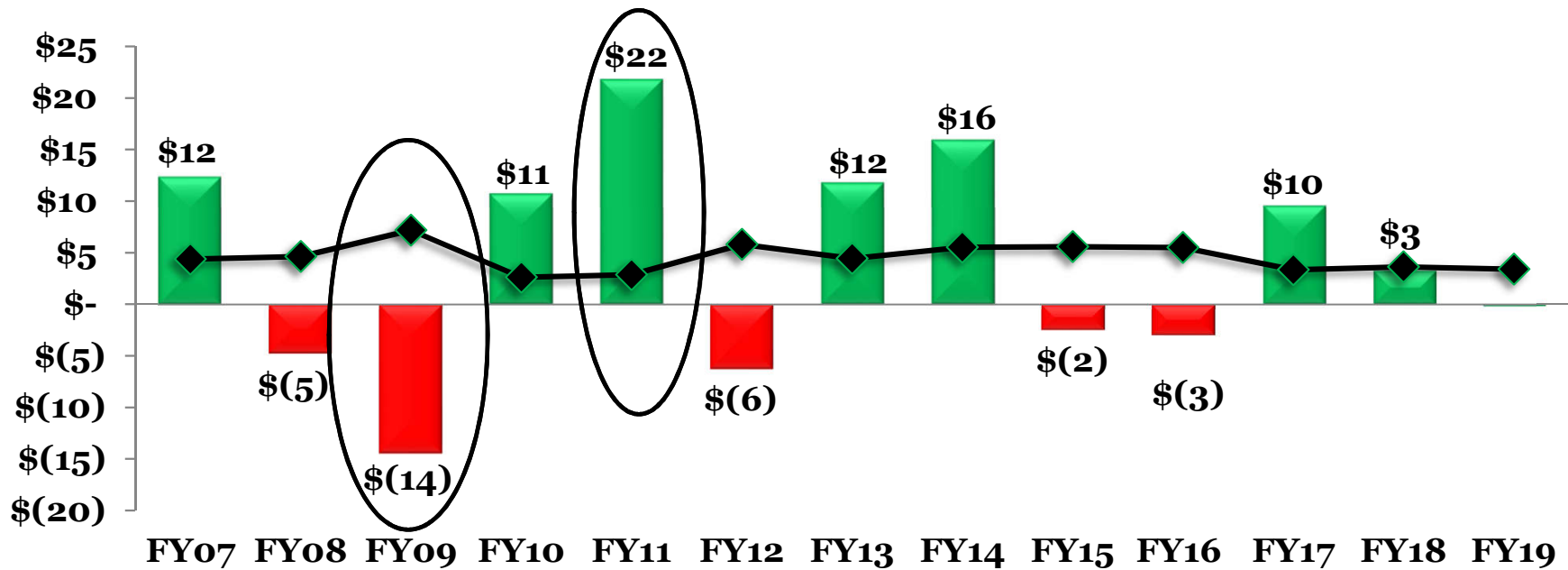


■ **Membership Dues**

■ **Investment Returns**

■ **Other Rotary Revenue**

INVESTMENT RETURNS



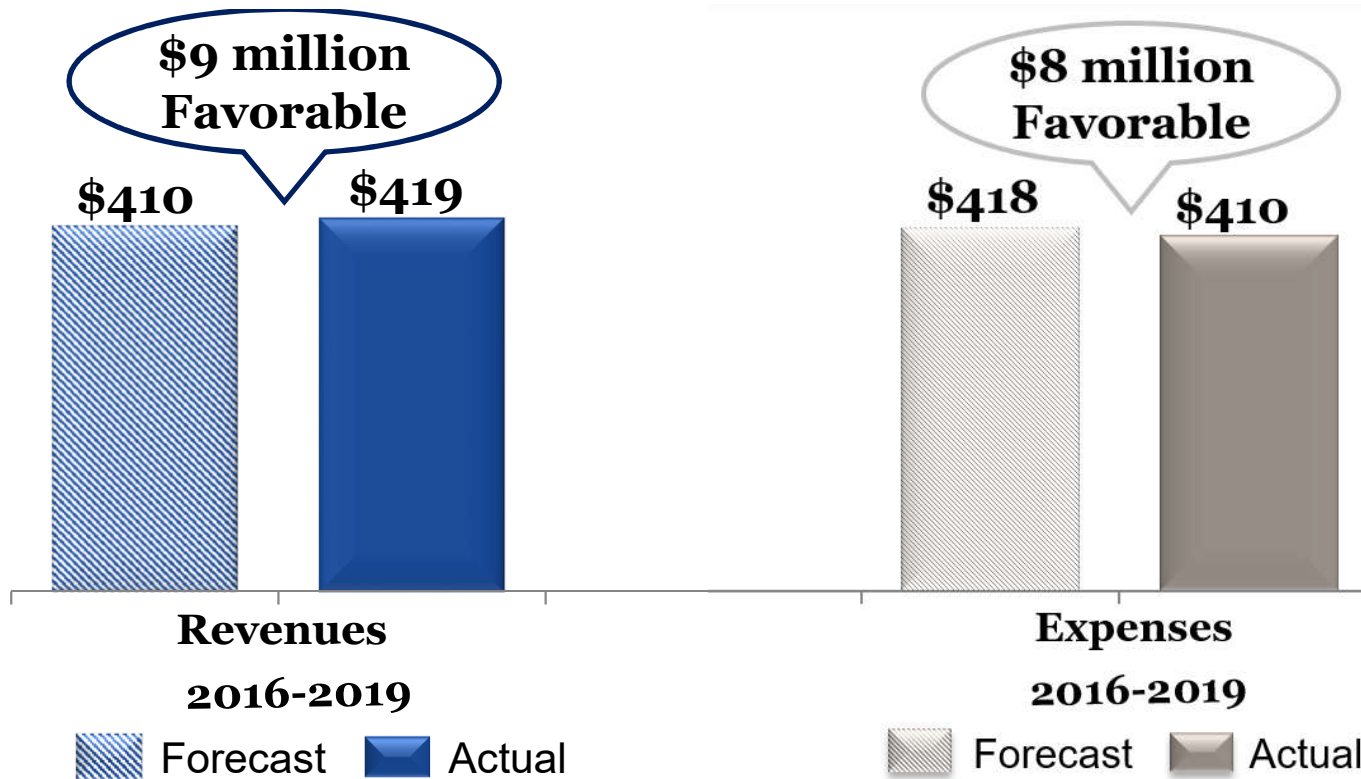
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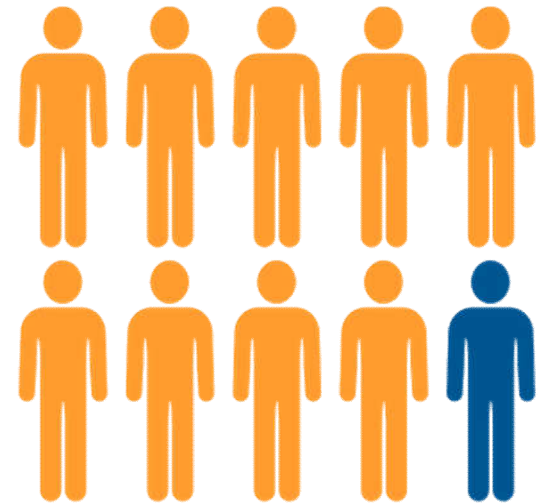
CUMULATIVE FOUR YEAR RESULTS



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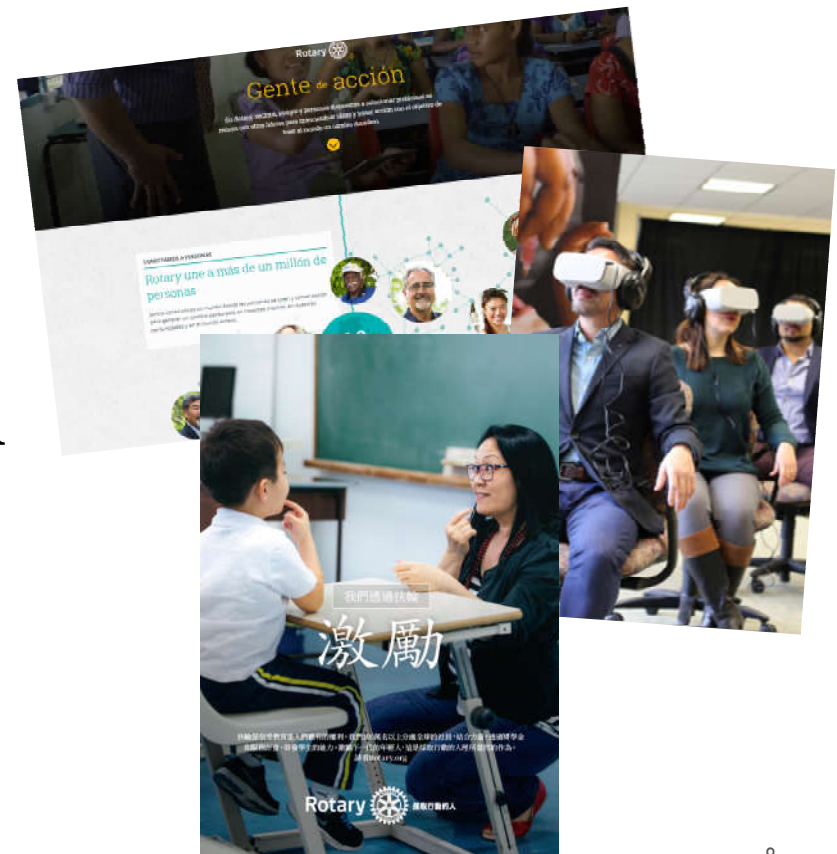
90% of respondents wanted:

- Improved training
- Connecting clubs
- Planning resources
- Online tools
- Leadership development plans
- Social media training



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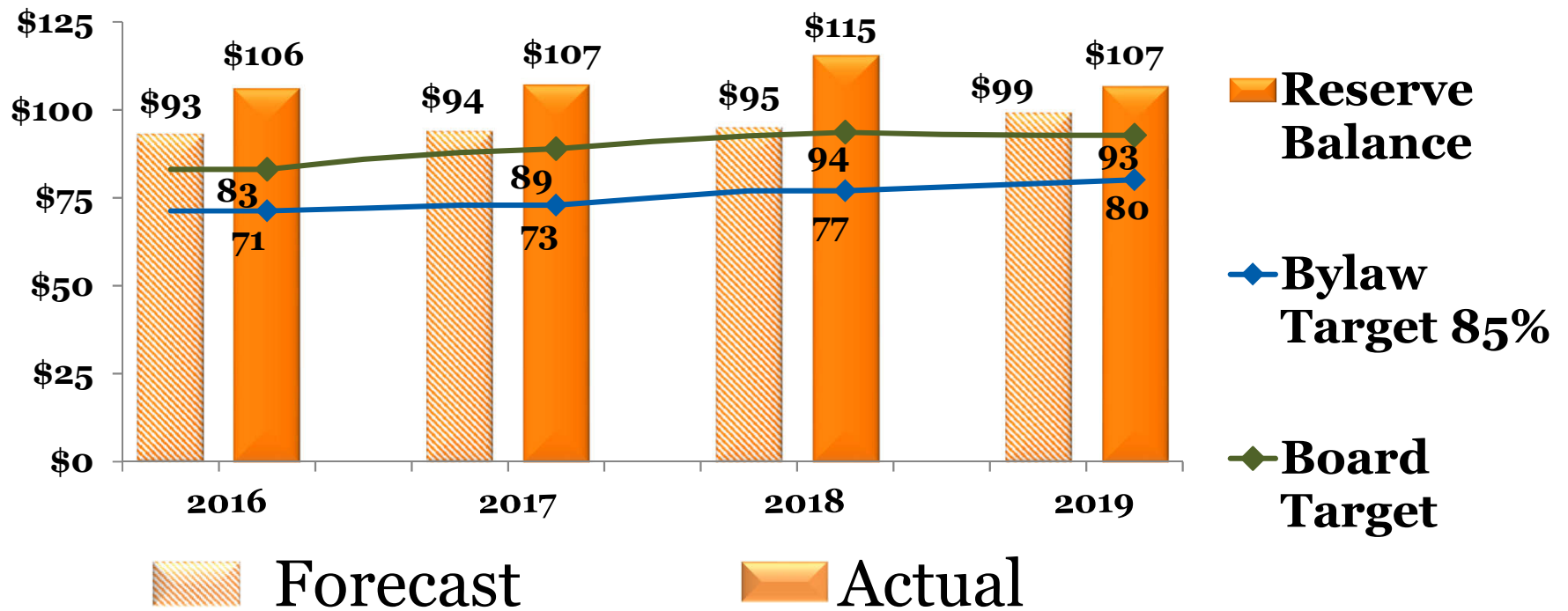
- Rotary.org
- Rotary Club Central
- Rotary Learning Center
- People of Action Campaign
- Virtual Reality Strategy
- Financial Management System



EXPENSE REDUCTIONS

- Moved content to online delivery
- Implemented an Office of Investment
- Reorganized our regional focus and footprint
- Off-shored additional operations to India



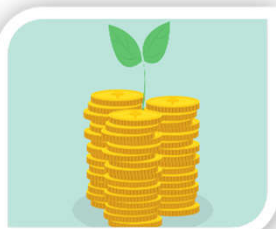
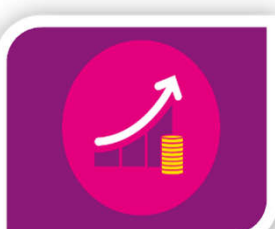
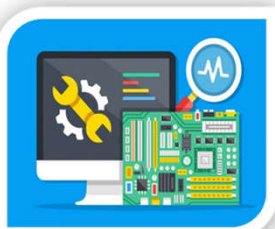
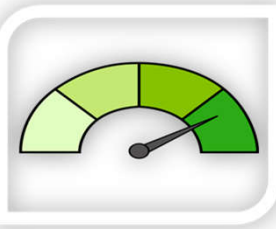
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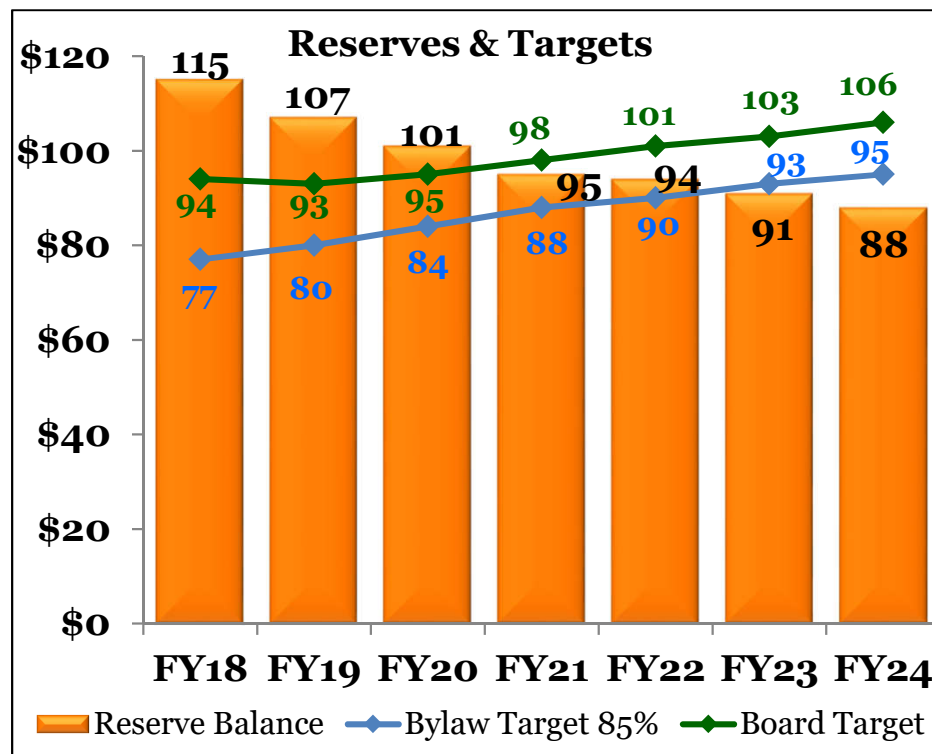
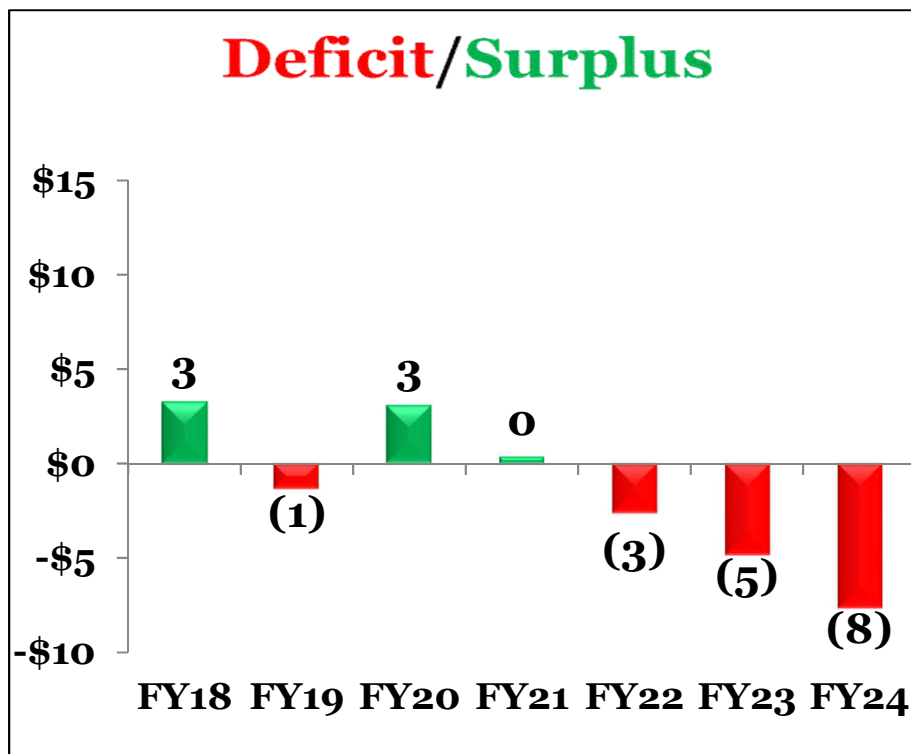
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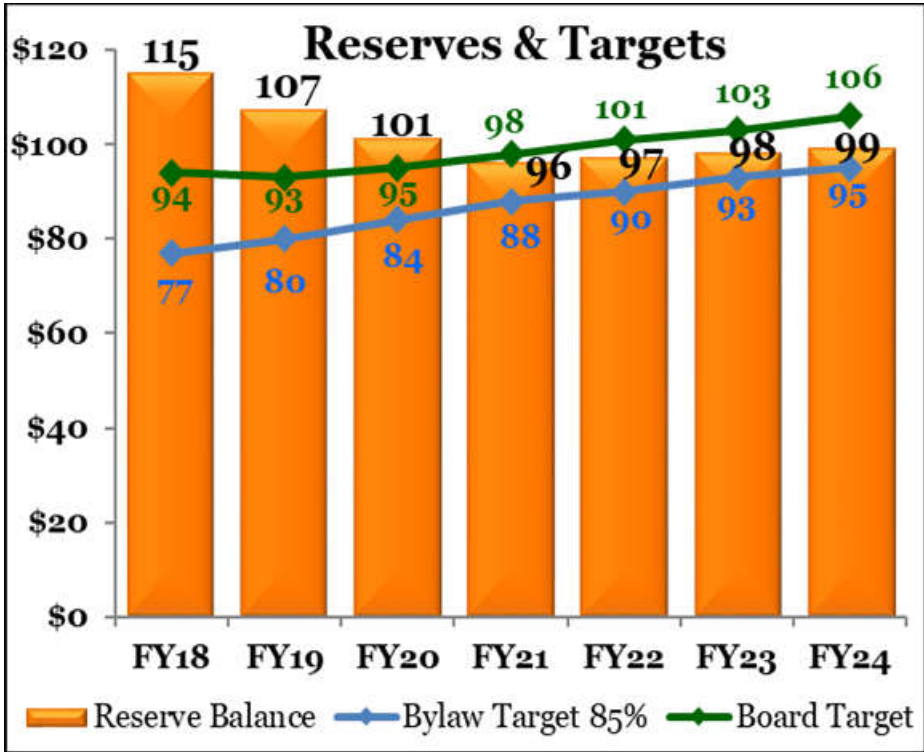
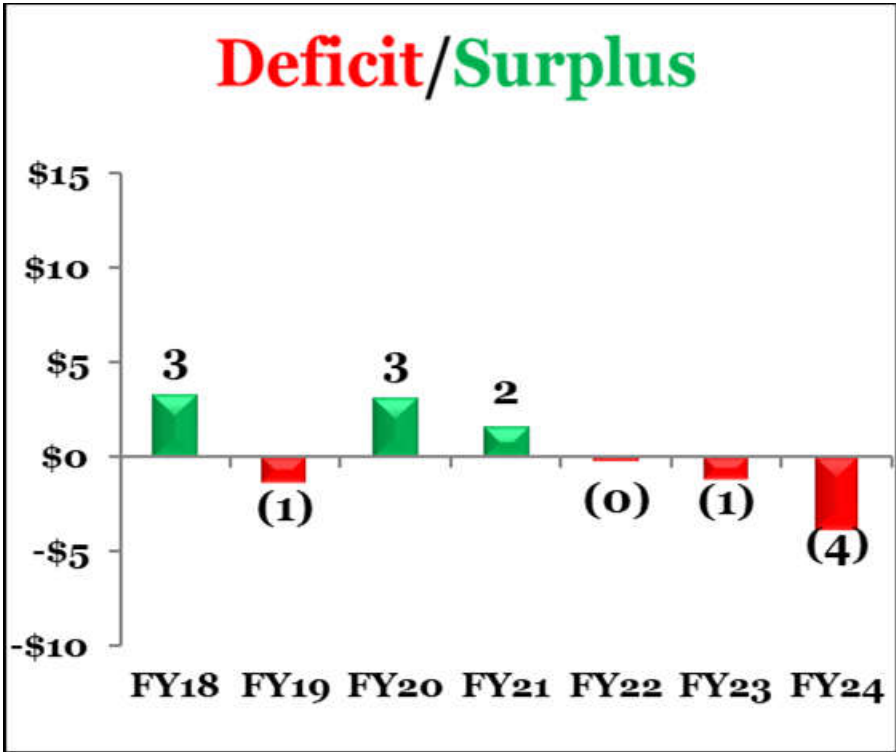
LOOKING FORWARD: ASSUMPTIONS 2020-2024

MEMBERSHIP	PER CAPITA DUES	NET INVESTMENT RETURN	INFLATION	CAPITAL SPEND	OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY
					
1.2 million members	FY2020 US\$ 68	3.75%	3.00%	US\$ 59 million Cumulative	reduce expenses 2.5% Cumulative

FORECAST WITH \$0 ANNUAL DUES INCREASE 2021 - 2023



FORECAST WITH \$1 ANNUAL DUES INCREASE 2021 - 2023



CLOSING THE GAP

- Review business process and procedures
- Move work to low cost jurisdictions
- Implement our financial system
- Change RI's charitable status in the US

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PRELIMINARY VOTING RESULTS FOR 2019 COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION				
01-17	Avenues of Service, Object of Rotary, and Core Values	YES	NO	RESULT
19-01	To amend the preamble to the Avenues of Service 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. <u><i>The Four-Way Test is the ethical guide for all Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships.</i></u>	213	282	Rejected
19-02	To amend the second Avenue of Service 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 <i>and lending their vocational skills to club-developed projects in order to address the issues and needs of society.</i>	134	362	Rejected
19-03	To amend the third Avenue of Service 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, <u><i>in particular through the preservation of the environment through compliance with rules that allow access to clean water, to sanitation, to clean air, and to healthy nutrition.</i></u>	120	381	Rejected
19-04	To amend the third Avenue of Service 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. <u><i>This includes encouraging agriculture and farming by making various efforts, including the creation of year-round water resources, as well as research into and development of agriculture production.</i></u>	69	430	Rejected
19-05	To amend the fourth Avenue of Service 4. International Service, the fourth Avenue of Service, comprises those activities (<u><i>including Rotary Peace Centers, exchange programs, Global Networking Groups, Inter-Country Committees, twin clubs</i></u>) that members do to advance international understanding, goodwill, and peace	157	344	Rejected

	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.			
19-06	<p>To facilitate the fourth Avenue of Service 16.010.3. Pairing Districts. <u>Every district shall be paired with a district from another country by the board in order to advance international understanding, goodwill and peace by fostering acquaintance with people of other countries.</u></p> <p>4. International Service, the fourth Avenue of Service, comprises those activities that members do to advance international understanding, goodwill, and 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. <u>Every district shall be paired to a district from another country for a period of three years in a manner determined by the board.</u></p>			withdrawn
19-07	<p>To amend the third, fourth, and fifth Avenues of Service</p> <p>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 <u>striving for positive peace and peace literacy in the community.</u></p> <p>4. International Service, the fourth Avenue of Service, comprises those activities that members do to advance international understanding, goodwill, <u>positive peace</u> and peace <u>literacy</u> 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.</p> <p>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 <u>positive world peace, peace literacy,</u> and cultural understanding.</p>	154	353	rejected
19-08	To amend the Object of Rotary	111	396	Rejected

	<p>Article 4 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: <i>First.</i> The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service; <i>Second.</i> 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; <i>Third.</i> The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life; <i>Fourth.</i> The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.</p> <p><u><i>The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service in each Rotarian and to apply the ideal of service in one's professional and personal life.</i></u> <u><i>We believe that this application will ultimately lead us to achieve mutual understanding, goodwill, and peace among all people.</i></u></p> <p><u><i>The core values of Rotary are service, fellowship, diversity, integrity, and leadership.</i></u></p> <p><u><i>Rotary's ideal of service is a philosophy of life that originates from the good intent of people to be compassionate and helpful to others. It undertakes to reconcile the ever-present conflict between the desire to profit for one's self and the duty and consequent impulse to serve others. This philosophy is the philosophy of service - "Service Above Self" - and is based on the practical ethical principle that "One Profits Most Who Serves Best."</i></u></p> <p>And to amend the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION as follows (pages 87-88 MOP)</p> <p>Article 5 Object-same as above</p>			
19-09	<p>To amend the Object of Rotary Article 4 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;</p>	221	280	rejected

	<p>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 <u>with high ethical standards</u> in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life; Fourth. <u>Third</u>. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service <u>above self</u>.</p> <p>And to amend the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION as follows (pages 87-88 MOP) Article 5 Object – same as above</p>			
19-10	<p>To amend the preamble to the Object of Rotary To amend the CONSTITUTION Article 4 Object The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise <u>activities</u> and, in particular, to encourage and foster: And to amend the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise <u>activities</u> and, in particular, to encourage and foster:</p>	320	184	Rejected* (needs 2/3rd majority) 63.4%
19-11	<p>To amend the preamble and the fourth Object of Rotary Article 4 Object The Object of Rotary is <u>for all Rotarians</u> to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster: Fourth. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons <u>Rotarians</u> united in the ideal of service. and to amend the STANDARD ROTARY CLUB CONSTITUTION Article 5 Object -same as above</p>	254	249	Rejected* (needs 2/3rd majority) 50.5%
19-12	<p>To amend the second Object of Rotary Second. High ethical standards <u>Ethics and integrity</u> in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each</p>	282	226	Rejected* (needs 2/3rd majority) 55.8%

	Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;			
19-13	To amend the fourth Object of Rotary Fourth- The advancement of international understanding, <u>environmental protection and sustainable development</u> , goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.	213	296	Rejected
19-14	To amend the fourth Object of Rotary Fourth- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service <u>via the inter-country committees.</u>	114	396	Rejected
19-15	To add a fifth part to the Object of Rotary <u>Fifth- 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 world peace and cultural understanding.</u>	296	214	Rejected* (needs 2/3rd majority) 57.8%
19-16	To add a fifth part to the Object of Rotary <u>Fifth the preservation of Planet Earth in its diversity.</u>			Withdrawn
19-17	To add Rotary's core values to the RI Constitution and the Standard Rotary Club Constitution <u>Rotary's core values are the guiding principles of its organizational culture and include guidelines as to what Rotarians should prioritize and what actions they should take. These core values are:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Fellowship</u> • <u>Integrity</u> • <u>Diversity</u> • <u>Service</u> • <u>Leadership</u> 	218	285	Rejected

PRELIMINARY VOTING RESULTS FOR 2019 COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION				
18-29	Club Administration	YES	NO	RESULT
19-18	To amend the provisions on membership Article 4 Membership in Clubs 4.070. Limitations on Membership. added the following. <u>Each club shall endeavor to build a well-balanced membership that celebrates diversity.</u>	305	204	Adopted
19-19	To remove Article 3, Purposes, from the Standard Rotary Club Constitution <u>Article 3 Purposes</u> <u>The purposes of this club are to pursue the Object of Rotary, carry out successful service projects based on the Five Avenues of Service, contribute to</u>	97	413	Rejected

	<i>the advancement of Rotary by strengthening membership, support The Rotary Foundation, and develop leaders beyond the club level.</i>			
19-20	To remove committees from the Standard Rotary Club Constitution Section 7—Committees. <i>This club should have the following committees:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club Administration • Membership • Public Image • Rotary Foundation • Service Projects <i>Additional committees may be appointed as needed.</i>	115	396	Rejected
19-21	To require that key club committee chairs be board members Section 7 – Committees. This club should have the following committees whose <u>chair shall be a board member:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club Administration • Membership • Public Image • Rotary Foundation • Service Projects Additional committees may be appointed as needed.	238	269	rejected
19-22	To amend the term of the club president Section 5 – Election of Officers. b) Term of President.changed this part.... The president shall take office on 1 July and shall serve a period of one (1) year or until a successor has been duly elected and qualified. <u>In cases where a successor has not been duly elected, the term of the current president shall be extended for one year only.</u>	279	225	adopted
19-23	To revise the schedule for electing the club president (b) Term of President. The president shall be elected as provided in the bylaws, not more than two (2) years <u>thirty-six (36) months</u> but not less than eighteen (18) <u>twenty-four (24) months</u> prior to the day of taking office and shall serve as president-nominee-designate upon election <u>and shall assume the title of president-nominee on 1 July two years prior to assuming office as president.</u> The nominee shall take the title of president-elect on 1 July in the year prior to taking office as president. The president shall take office on 1 July and shall serve a period of one (1) year or until a successor has been duly elected and qualified.	170	344	rejected

19-24	To require the presentation of a budget and an annual report at the club's annual meeting Article 8 Meetings Section 2 – Annual Meeting. a) An annual meeting for the election of officers, <u>presentation of an annual budget, including income and expenditures, and presentation of an annual report</u> shall be held not later than 31 December as provided in the bylaws.	408	102	Adopted as amended
19-25	To replace the requirement for attendance reports with a report on service Article 4 Membership in Clubs 4.090. Attendance Reports. Community Engagement Reports. Each club shall forward monthly attendance reports of its meetings to the governor within 15 days of the last meeting of each month. Non-districted clubs shall forward such report to the general secretary. <u>Each club shall report its volunteer hours and service project contributions to the general secretary within 15 days of the last meeting of each quarter.</u>	204	268	rejected
19-26	To lengthen the notice period for changing a club's name or locality Section 2 – Amending Article 2 and Article 4. Article 2 (Name) and Article 4 (Locality of the Club) of the constitution shall be amended at any regular meeting of this club, a quorum being present, by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of all voting members present and voting, provided that notice of such proposed amendment shall have been mailed to each member and to the governor at least ten (10) twenty-one (21) days before such meeting, and provided further, that such amendment shall be submitted to the board of directors of RI for its approval and shall become effective only when so approved. The governor may offer an opinion to the board of directors of RI regarding the proposed amendment.	398	96	adopted
19-27	To allow a club not to use "club" as part of its name Section 2 – Composition of Clubs (d) In countries where the word "club" has an inappropriate connotation, Rotary clubs, with the approval of the board, will not be obliged to use it in their names. If a club so chooses, it may omit the word "club" from its name.	255	252	rejected
19-28	To revise the provisions regarding locality of a club Article 2 Membership in Rotary International 2.020. Locality of a Club. A club may be organized in a locality which contains the minimum number of classifications	404	104	adopted

	for organizing a new club. A club may be organized in the same a locality as with one or more existing other clubs. The locality of a club that conducts interactive its activities primarily online shall be worldwide or as otherwise determined by the club board determines.			
19-29	To amend the satellite club reporting procedure c) Satellite Club Reporting Procedure. A satellite club shall, annually, submit to the president and board of this club a report on its membership, its activities and programs, accompanied by a financial statement and audited or reviewed accounts, for inclusion in this club's reports for its annual general meeting and such other reports as may, from time to time, be required by this club.	423	78	adopted
30-36	Meetings and Attendance	YES	NO	RESULT
19-30	To move the provisions allowing for flexibility in meetings and attendance Article 7 Exceptions to Provisions on Meetings and Attendance The bylaws may include rules or requirements not in accordance with article 8, section 1; article 12; and article 15, section 4, of this constitution. Such rules or requirements shall supersede the rules or requirements of these sections of this constitution; a club, however, must meet at least twice per month. and in article 8 (pages 88-89 MOP) Article 8 Article 7 Meetings Section 1 – Regular Meetings. [See article 7 for exceptions to the provisions of this section.] <u>e) Exceptions. The bylaws may include rules or requirements not in accordance with Article 7. Such rules or requirements shall supersede the rules or requirements of these sections of this constitution; a club, however, must meet at least twice per month</u> and in article 12 (pages 91-93 MOP) Article 12 Article 11 Attendance [See article 7 for exceptions to the provisions of this article.] Section 6 – <u>Exceptions. The bylaws may include rules or requirements not in accordance with Article 11. Such rules or requirements shall supersede the rules or requirements of these sections of this constitution.</u> and in article 15 (pages 94-95 MOP) Article 15 Article 14 Duration of Membership Section 4 – Termination Non-attendance. [See article 7 for exceptions to the provisions of this section.]	336	174	adopted

	c) <u>Exceptions. The bylaws may include rules or requirements not in accordance with Article 14, section 4. Such rules or requirements shall supersede the rules or requirements of these sections of this constitution</u>			
19-31	To remove the provisions allowing for flexibility in meetings and attendance			withdrawn
19-32	To remove the provisions allowing for flexibility in meetings and attendance			withdrawn
19-33	To provide that clubs shall meet at least 40 times per year Article 7 Exceptions to Provisions on Meetings and Attendance The bylaws may include rules or requirements not in accordance with article 8, section 1; article 12; and article 15, section 4, of this constitution. Such rules or requirements shall supersede the rules or requirements of these sections of this constitution; a club, however, must meet at least <i>twice per month 40 times per year.</i>	122	384	rejected
19-34	To amend the provisions for counting attendance at a club meeting Article 12 Attendance [See article 7 for exceptions to the provisions of this article.] Proposed adding the following...., <i>or cannot attend but the member's spouse or partner attends</i> , or participates in the regular meeting posted on the club's website within one week following its posting, or makes up for an absence in any of the following ways:	162	348	rejected
10-35	To amend the provisions for making up an absence Article 12 Attendance [See article 7 for exceptions to the provisions of this article.] Section 1 – General Provisions.proposed changing (a) 14 Days Before or After the Meeting. During the Same Year. If, within fourteen (14) days before or after the regular time for that meeting the same year , the member and deleting When a member is outside the member's country of residence for more than fourteen (14) days, the time restriction shall not be imposed so that the member may attend regular meetings or satellite club meetings in another country at any time during the travel period, and each such attendance shall count as a valid make-up for any regular meeting missed during the member's time abroad.	286	217	adopted
19-36	To amend the provisions for making up an absence Article 1 Definitions	115	392	rejected

	As used in the bylaws, unless the context otherwise clearly requires, the words in this article shall have the following meanings: Added- 10. RotaKids: A program for children 5 to 12 years of age sponsored by a Rotary club Article 12 Attendance.....attends a regular meeting of a Rotaract or, Interact, <i>or RotaKids</i> club, Rotary Community Corps, or Rotary Fellowship or of a provisional Rotaract or, Interact, <i>or RotaKids</i> club, Rotary Community Corps, or Rotary Fellowship; or			
37-39	Membership	YES	NO	RESULT
10-37	To amend the provisions regarding membership in clubs <i>Article 4 Membership in Clubs</i> <i>4.060. Holders of Public Office.</i> <i>Persons elected or appointed to public office for a specified time shall not be eligible to active membership in a club under the classification of such office. This restriction shall not apply to persons holding positions or offices in schools, colleges, or other institutions of learning or to persons who are elected or appointed to the judiciary. Members who are elected or appointed to public office for a specified period may continue as such members in their existing classifications during the period in which they hold such office.</i> <i>4.080. RI Employment.</i> <i>Any club may retain in its membership any member employed by RI.</i>	380	125	Adopted
10-38	To amend the qualifications for membership To remove or from and/or	120	376	Rejected
10-39	To amend the composition of clubs and to remove classification limitations 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, <i>occupation,</i> and/or community; and are willing to serve in their community and/or around the world and..... (b)Each club shall have a well-balanced membership in which no one business, profession, <i>occupation, or</i> type of community service, <i>or other classification</i> predominates. <i>The club shall not elect a person to active membership from a classification if the</i>	403	108	Adopted

~~club already has five or more members from that classification, unless the club has more than 50 members, in which case the club may elect a person to active membership in a classification so long as it will not result in the classification making up more than 10 percent of the club's active membership. Members who are retired shall not be included in the total number of members in a classification. The classification of a transferring or former member of a club, or a Rotaractor or Rotary alumnus as defined by the board, shall not preclude election to active membership even if the election results in club membership temporarily exceeding the above limitations. If a member changes classification, the club may continue the member's membership under the new classification notwithstanding these limitations.~~

Section 2 – Club Membership Composition as a Tool to Promote Diverse Club Membership. This club's membership should represent a cross section of the businesses, professions, occupations, and civic organizations in its community, including age, gender and ethnic diversity.
Section 2 – Club Membership Composition as a Tool to Promote Diverse Club

- b. How to Rejoin. When the membership of a member has terminated as provided in subsection (a) of this section, such person, provided such person's membership was in good standing at the time of termination, may make new application for membership, under the same or another **classification business, profession, occupation, community service, or other classification.**

Section 3 – Termination Non-payment of Dues. Reinstatement. The board may reinstate the former member to membership upon the former member's petition and payment of all indebtedness to this club. ***However, no former member may be reinstated to active membership if the former member's classification is in conflict with article 11, section 2.***

Section 5 – Termination Other Causes.
(e) Filling Classification. When the board has terminated the membership of a

	<p>member as provided for in this section, this club shall not elect a new member under the former member's classification until the time for hearing any appeal has expired and the decision of this club or of the arbitrators has been announced. However, this provision shall not apply if, by election of a new member, the number of members under the said classification would remain within provided limitations even if the board's decision regarding termination is reversed.</p>			
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PRELIMINARY VOTING RESULTS FOR 2019 COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION				
40-42	RI President Elections	YES	NO	RESULT
19-40	<p>To amend the process for filling a vacancy in the office of president-elect or president-nominee</p> <p>ORIGINAL LEGISLATION Strike all of Article 6 Officers 6.080. Vacancy in the Office of President-elect or President-nominee. Replace with <i>6.080.1. Selection of Replacement President-elect by the Board.</i> <i>If the position of president-elect becomes vacant for any reason, the board shall elect a replacement president-elect from among the candidates considered by the nominating committee at the time that the president-elect was selected by the committee. The board should fill the vacancy within one month.</i></p> <p>AMENDED LEGISLATION <i>6.080.1. Alternates.</i> <u><i>At any time if the office of president-elect or president-nominee becomes vacant, due to whatever reason, the board shall elect the alternate selected at the time the president-elect or president-nominee was elected to serve.</i></u> <i>6.080.2. Alternate Unable to Serve.</i> <u><i>If the alternate is unable to serve for any reason, the nominating committee for the president currently serving shall select a new nominee for president for the year during which such president-elect or president-nominee would have served as president. Such selection shall be made from among the past directors who previously indicated they were willing to serve as president in that year and shall be made as soon as practicable at its regularly scheduled meeting or in an emergency meeting of the committee. If such meeting is not practicable, the selection may be made by an electronic ballot or by other rapid</i></u></p>	492	17	Adopted as amended

	<p><u>means of communication as determined by the committee chair and the president. Past directors currently serving on the nominating committee shall be provided the opportunity to resign from the committee if they would otherwise be eligible for selection.</u></p> <p>Article 12 Nominations and Elections for President 12.050. Nomination by the Committee. 12.050.1. Best Qualified Rotarian. The committee shall meet and nominate from among the list of past directors who have indicated they are willing to serve as president the best qualified Rotarian available to perform the functions of the office. <u>The committee shall also select an alternate who shall serve in the event of a vacancy in the office of president-nominee or president-elect.</u> and . 12.050.3. Quorum and Voting. Twelve members of the committee shall constitute a quorum. The transaction of all business of the committee shall be by majority vote, except that in the selection of the committee's nominee for president <u>and alternate</u>, the votes of at least ten members 60 percent of the committee present and voting shall be cast in favor of such nominee <u>and alternate</u>.</p>			
19-41	<p>To amend the rules for selecting the president-nominee Article 12 Nominations and Elections for President 12.050.1. Best Qualified Rotarian. The committee shall meet and nominate from among the list of past directors who have indicated they are willing to serve as president the best qualified Rotarian available to perform the functions of the office <u>regardless of their country of residence. However, the committee shall not nominate candidates from the same country of residence two years consecutively.</u></p>	458	50	adopted
19-42	<p>To amend the provisions regarding club voting for president Article 12 Nominations and Elections for President 12.030. Election of Members to the Nominating Committee for President. 12.030.4. Club Voting. <u>Only clubs with more than 15 members shall be entitled to at least one vote.</u></p>	116	395	rejected
43-45	RI Director Elections	YES	NO	RESULT
19-43	To increase by 15 days when the nominating committee for director may meet	338	150	adopted

	<p>13.020. Selection of Director-nominee and Alternate by Nominating Committee Procedure.</p> <p>13.020.13. Designation of Convener, Time and Place of Meeting, Election of Chair.</p> <p>The board shall designate a convener from the members of the nominating committee no later than 15 June in the year preceding the year in which a director and alternate are to be nominated. The board shall likewise designate the place of its meeting. Such meeting must be held between 15 September and 30 of the following September 15 October, unless otherwise authorized by the board. The committee shall elect a chair from its members at the time of its meeting.</p> <p>13.020.18. Report of Selection of Committee.</p> <p>The committee's nomination for the office of directorselection of the nominating committee by 15 30 October.</p>			
19-44	<p>To revise the qualifications for director</p> <p>Article 6 Officers</p> <p>6.050. Qualifications of Officers.</p> <p>6.050.3. Director.</p> <p>A candidate for the office of director of RI shall have served a full term as a governor of RI prior to being proposed as such candidate (except where service for less than a full term may be determined by the board to satisfy the intent of this provision) with at least three years of time having elapsed since service as a governor. Such candidate shall also have attended at least two institutes and one convention in the 36-month period prior to being proposed.</p>	232	283	rejected
19-45	<p>To amend the process for selecting the member and alternate member of the nominating committee for director</p> <p>13.020.4. Election.</p> <p>Except as provided in subsections 13.020.9., and 13.020.10., 13.020.11., and 13.020.12., the member and the alternate member of the nominating committee shall be elected at the annual conference of the district in the year preceding the scheduled nomination.</p> <p><u>13.020.9. Selection of Members by Nominating Committee Procedure.</u></p> <p><u>The member and the alternate member of the nominating committee may be selected by a nominating committee procedure. The nominating committee procedure, including any challenges and a resulting election, shall be conducted and completed in the year preceding the scheduled nomination. The nominating committee procedure shall be based on the nominating</u></p>	338	150	adopted

	<u>committee procedure for district governors set forth in section 14.020.2. to the extent it is not in conflict with this section. A candidate for member shall not be eligible to serve on the committee.</u> <u>13.020.10. Failure to Adopt a Method for Selecting Members of a Nominating Committee.</u> <u>Any district that chooses to select the member and the alternate member of the nominating committee by a nominating committee procedure but fails to adopt a method for selecting members of the nominating committee shall utilize as its nominating committee 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 be eligible to serve on the committee.</u>			
46-53	Governor Elections	YES	NO	RESULT
19-46	To revise the qualifications of a governor-nominee Article 16 Districts 16.070. Qualifications of a Governor-nominee. No change 16.070.1. Rotarian in Good Standing. The Rotarian must be a member in good standing of a functioning club, which <u>has both female and male members, in the district.</u>	186	318	rejected
19-47	To revise the qualifications for governor-nominee Article 16 Districts 16.070. Qualifications of a Governor-nominee. No change. 16.070.4. Rotarian's Ability to Fulfill Duties of Governor. The Rotarian must <u>have experience in district administration, such as serving as an assistant governor</u> , and demonstrate willingness, commitment, and ability, physically and otherwise, to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of the office of governor as provided in section 16.090.	249	255	rejected
19-48	To revise the qualifications for governor-nominee Article 16 Districts 16.080. Qualifications of a Governor. Unless specifically excused by the board, a governor at the time of taking office must have attended the international assembly for its full duration, been a member of one or more Rotary clubs for at least seven <u>five</u> years, and must continue to possess the qualifications in section 16.070.	225	281	rejected
19-49	To amend the provisions regarding voting for governors-nominee 14.040.1. Club Voting. Each club shall be 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, or major fraction thereof, of its members. Such	324	192	adopted

	<p>membership shall be determined by the number of members in the club as of the date of the most recent club invoice preceding the date on which the vote is to be held <u>dated 1 July</u>. However, any club whose membership in RI has been suspended by the board shall not be entitled to participate in the voting. If a club is entitled to cast more than one vote, the club shall cast all votes for the same candidate. The name of the candidate for whom the club has cast its vote(s) shall be verified by the secretary and president of the club and forwarded to the governor in a sealed envelope provided therefor</p>			
19-50	<p>To allow all club members to vote electronically for the governor-nominee Article 14 Nominations and Elections for Governors 14.040. Ballot by Mail <u>Ballot-by-Email</u> Specifications. The governor shall prepare one ballot <u>e-ballot</u> for each club member, giving the name of any candidate selected by the district nominating committee. The ballot shall then list in alphabetical order the names of any candidates received by the governor. Where there are more than two candidates, balloting shall be by the single transferable ballot system. The governor shall mail <u>e-mail</u> a copy of said ballot signed by all members of the balloting committee to each club member with instructions that the completed ballot be returned to and received by the governor. The ballots shall be returned by a date fixed by the governor. Such date shall be no less than 15 days or more than 30 days following the date of the governor's mailing of the ballots to the clubs. 14.040.1. Club Voting. Each club member shall be 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, or major fraction thereof, of its members. Such membership shall be determined by the number of members in the club as of the date of the most recent club invoice preceding the date on which the vote is to be held. However, any club member of a club whose membership in RI has been suspended by the board shall not be entitled to participate in the voting. If a club is entitled to cast more than one vote, the club shall cast all votes for the same candidate. The name of the candidate for whom the club has cast its vote(s) shall be verified by the secretary and president of the club and forwarded to the governor in a sealed envelope provided therefor.</p>	72	443	rejected

19-51	<p>To amend the provisions for challenging candidates for governors-nominee 14.020. Nominating Procedure for Governor. 14.020.8. Challenging Candidates. Any club in the district which has been in existence for at least one year <u>two years</u> as of the beginning of that year may also propose a challenging candidate for governor-nominee provided this club has previously suggested such candidate to the nominating committee. A club in existence for less than one year <u>two years</u> as..... 14.040. Ballot-by-Mail Specifications. 14.040.1. Club Voting. Each club <u>that has been in existence for at least two years as of the beginning of the year</u> shall be entitled to at least one vote.</p>	185	329	rejected
19-52	<p>To revise the challenge period for the nomination and election of governors 14.020.11. Challenging Nominations. The governor shall notify, within seven days following the deadline, all clubs in the district where a valid challenging nomination has been received by the deadline. Such notice shall include the name and qualifications of each such challenging candidate, the names of the challenging and concurring clubs and state that such candidates will be balloted upon in a ballot-by-mail or alternatively at the district conference if the challenge remains effective up to the date set by the governor <u>for 15 days</u>.</p>	442	69	adopted
19-53	<p>To require that, if a governor becomes unable to serve, and there is no vice-governor, only a past governor shall be eligible to serve 6.120. Vacancy in the Office of Governor. 6.120.2. Authority of Board and President. If there is no vice-governor, the board is authorized to elect a qualified Rotarian <u>past governor, preferably from the same district</u>, to fill a vacancy in the office of governor for the unexpired term. The president may appoint a qualified Rotarian <u>past governor, preferably from the same district</u> as acting governor until such vacancy is filled by the board. 6.120.3. Temporary Inability to Perform Duties of Governor. If there is no vice-governor, the president may appoint a a qualified Rotarian <u>past governor, preferably from the same district</u>, as acting governor during a period of temporary inability of a governor to perform the duties of governor.</p>	399	119	adopted
54-55	Elections - Miscellaneous	YES	NO	RESULT
19-54	To amend the provisions for club voting at the district level	271	238	adopted

	<p>Article 13 Nominations and Elections for Directors 13.020. Selection of Director-nominee and Alternate by Nominating Committee Procedure. 13.020.4. Election. Except as provided in subsections 13.020.9. and 13.020.10., the member and the alternate member of the nominating committee shall be elected at the annual conference of the district in the year preceding the scheduled nomination. <u>For a club to participate in district voting for the selection of a member and alternate member of the nominating committee for director, the club shall have paid the approved district fund for the Rotary year in which the voting is taking place and shall not be indebted to the district. The financial status of the club is determined by the governor.</u></p> <p>Article 14 Nominations and Elections for Governors 14.020.1. Method of Selection of Governor-Nominee. Except for those districts in RIBI, a district shall select its governor-nominee either by a nominating committee procedure as hereinafter provided or by a ballot-by-mail as provided in sections 14.030. and 14.040. or, alternatively, at the district conference as provided in subsection 14.020.13., the choice of which shall be decided by a resolution adopted at a district conference by a majority of the votes of the electors of the clubs present and voting. <u>For a club to participate in district voting for the selection of a member and alternate member of the nominating committee for director, the club shall have paid the approved district fund for the Rotary year in which the voting is taking place and shall not be indebted to the district. The financial status of the club is determined by the governor.</u></p>			
19-55	<p>To amend the process for nominations and elections by clubs in RIBI 12.020.2. Member from RIBI. The member from a zone wholly within RIBI shall be elected by the clubs of that zone all the clubs in RIBI by a ballot-by-mail in such form and at such time as the general council of RIBI shall determine. The name of such member shall be certified to the general secretary by the secretary of RIBI. 13.010.7. Director from Zone in RIBI. The director from a zone or section of a zone wholly within RIBI shall be nominated by the clubs of that zone all the clubs by a ballot-by-mail in such</p>	471	92	adopted

	form and at such time as the general council of RIBI shall determine. The name of such nominee shall be certified to the general secretary by the secretary of RIBI.			
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56-59	DISTRICT Administration	YES	NO	RESULT
19-56	<p>To eliminate the position of vice-governor 6.120.1. <i>Vice-Governor.</i> The nominating committee for governor may select one available past governor, proposed by the governor elect, to be named vice-governor who shall serve during the year following selection. The role of the vice-governor will be to replace the governor in case of temporary or permanent inability to continue in the performance of the governor's duties. If no selection is made by the nominating committee, the governor elect may select a past governor as vice-governor.</p> <p>6.120.2. 6.120.1. <i>Authority of Board and President.</i> <i>If there is no vice-governor In the event</i> of a vacancy in the office of governor, the board is authorized to elect a <i>qualified Rotarian</i> past governor to fill a vacancy in the office of governor for the unexpired term. The president may appoint a <i>qualified Rotarian</i> past governor as acting governor until such vacancy is filled by the board. <i>If there is no available or qualified past governor, a qualified Rotarian may be selected.</i></p> <p>24 6.120.3. 6.120.2. <i>Temporary Inability to Perform Duties of Governor.</i> Essentially the same as above</p>	189	327	Rejected
19-57	<p>To extend the deadline to submit the annual district statement 16.060.4. Annual Statement and Report of District Finances. The <u>Within one year of serving as governor, the immediate past governor</u> must provide an <u>independently reviewed</u> annual statement and report of the district finances that has been independently reviewed to each club in the district within three months of the completion of the governor's year in office. The immediate past governor must provide the statement and report and have it discussed and adopted at a district meeting to which all clubs are entitled to send a representative and for which 30 days notice has been given. Alternatively, within one year of</p>	424	92	Adopted

	<p>ending his or her governor term, the immediate past governor may ask the governor to conduct a ballot by mail for adoption of the statement and report. The statement and report shall be sent no less than 30 days prior to the ballot by mail. The governor shall start this process within 30 days of receiving the request from the immediate past governor.</p> <p>It may <u>The statement and report shall</u> be reviewed either by a qualified accountant or by a district audit committee as may be decided by the district conference. If an <u>the</u> audit committee approach is selected, then it <u>the committee</u> must:</p> <p>(a) be composed of at least three members;</p> <p>(b) have all the members be active Rotarians <u>have its members selected in accordance with established district procedures;</u></p> <p>(c) have <u>contain</u> at least one member who is a past governor and or a person with audit experience <u>an independent person with financial literacy;</u></p> <p>(d) not allow <u>contain</u> the following to serve on the audit committee <u>individuals</u> for the year in which they serve in these positions: governor, treasurer, signatories of district bank accounts, and members of the finance committee; and</p> <p>(e) have the members selected by the district in accordance with the procedures established by the district.</p>			
19-58	<p>To amend the process for convening a district legislation meeting Added to 16.040.1. Time and Place. <u>If one-third of the club presidents in a district submit to the governor a request to convene a district legislation meeting, along with the items to be discussed, the governor shall convene a district legislation meeting within eight weeks of such request.</u></p>	442	65	Adopted
19-59	<p>To require codification of and continuing effect to recommendations adopted at a district conference or legislation meeting 16.040.3. Conference and District Legislation Meeting Actions. Added to <u>Any adopted recommendation shall remain in effect unless it is repealed or revised through a resolution at a subsequent district conference or legislation meeting. For effective implementation, each district shall compile a manual (district code of policies) of recommendations adopted in the previous three to five years, which it consistently manages and shares with clubs.</u></p>	224	289	Rejected

60-71	Rotary International-General	YES	NO	RESULT
19-60	To provide for a uniform process for removing officers and committee members for cause This is the rational for the change proposed The current RI Bylaws provide multiple procedures for suspending or removing officers for cause. It is recommended that there be one, uniform procedure for suspending and removing RI officers, officers-elect, officers-nominee, officers-nominee-designate, and committee members. The proposed enactment ensures that individuals have an opportunity to provide information to the RI Board, before it decides whether to remove the individual from office or position for cause, or to withdraw the suspension.			withdrawn
19-61	To amend the duties of the RI Board By adding to 5.010 Duties of the Board <u>Each director shall regularly report on the decisions of the board and his/her activities as director to the members in his/her zone and the alternate/paired zone.</u>	403	106	Adopted
19-62	To provide that the general secretary is the chief executive officer of RI 6.140.3. General Secretary. The general secretary shall be the chief operating executive officer of RI. As chief operating executive officer, the general secretary shall be responsible for the day-to-day management of RI under the direction and control of the board.	306	214	Adopted
19-63	To remove the delay before a change to district boundaries takes effect Article 16 Districts 16.010. How Established. Delete the sentence: Any decision by the board to eliminate or change district boundaries shall not be effective for at least two years.	419	93	Adopted
19-64	To revise the Board's authority to change district boundaries In 16.010.1. Eliminating and Changing Boundaries. One sentence was modified: The board shall take into account <u>the effectiveness of a district's contribution to Rotary's mission</u> , geographical boundaries, potential for district growth, and cultural, economic, language, and other relevant factors <u>before eliminating or changing the boundaries of districts with fewer than 1,100 Rotarians.</u>	221	284	Rejected
19-65	To revise the Board's authority to change district boundaries and base zones on the number of clubs 13.010.1. Number of Zones. The world shall be divided into 34 zones that are approximately equal in number of Rotarians <u>clubs.</u>	137	367	Rejected

	PLUS in 16.010.1. Eliminating and Changing Boundaries. The board may eliminate or change the boundaries of any district with more than 100 clubs or fewer than 1,100 Rotarians <i>or fewer than 55 clubs,</i>			
19-66	To remove the name of the official magazine from the RI Bylaws IN 21.010. Authority for Publishing Official Magazine. Delete <i>and being known as THE ROTARIAN.</i>	444	62	Adopted
19-67	To remove the publication and subscription requirements for the official magazine and regional magazines Deleted all of Article 21 Official Magazine RATIONAL an excerpt: ...the world has changed. More people now reach for their news on their smartphone, tablet, or laptop, than pick up a traditional magazine or newspaper. Both RI and RIBI have recognized this. RI has made a major investment in rotary.org to showcase Rotary to the general public and in My Rotary for Rotarians worldwide. RIBI relaunched its magazine, Rotary, as an online news portal in February 2018.	125	376	Rejected
19-68	To amend the subscription requirements for the official magazine and regional magazines In 21.020. Subscription Prices. 21.020.2. Required Subscription. And 21.030. Subscription to Magazines. 21.030.1. Required Subscription. Add the words <i>have the option to</i> and have the clubs manage those who subscribe	138	370	Rejected
19-69	To prohibit the release of members' personal information Article 4 Membership in Clubs <u>4.120. Member Information.</u> <u>RI shall not release Rotarians' personal information to outside organizations (i.e., any entity that is not managed by, administered by, or otherwise associated with RI, The Rotary Foundation, or any Rotary entity) without the express permission of the member. However, RI may release information as required by law or if pertinent to judicial or governmental investigations.</u>	195	315	Rejected
19-70	To amend the provisions for terminating the membership of a club 3.030. Board Authority to Discipline, Suspend, or Terminate a Club. <i>3.030.3. Termination for Lack of Members.</i>	302	205	Adopted

	<u>The board may terminate a club upon the request of the governor if its membership falls below six members.</u>			
19-71	<p>To remove past RI presidents as members of the Councils and eliminate the Council of Past Presidents</p> <p>TO DELETE 9.010.5. Past Presidents.</p> <p>All past presidents of RI shall be non-voting members of the councils.</p> <p>AND ALL OF 20.030. Council of Past Presidents.</p> <p>RATIONALE: It is unclear what, if anything, past presidents add to the governance of RI. They have neither clear terms of reference nor deliverables. If they do have a formal role, then the RI Board or Council on Legislation should bring forward suggestions for terms of reference.</p> <p>The effect of this enactment would be to remove past RI presidents from any formal role in the governance of RI.</p>	127	384	Rejected

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71-72	Rotary International Membership	YES	NO	RESULT
19-72	<p>To admit Rotaract clubs to RI membership</p> <p>This is a very long and complicated resolution-only simple highlights are noted here:</p> <p>ORIGINAL MOTION</p> <p>Article 2 Membership in Rotary International</p> <p>2.010. Application for Membership in RI.</p> <p><u>2.010.2. Rotaract Clubs.</u></p> <p><u>A Rotaract club may seek admission to membership in RI. Such club shall not be subject to the requirements of 2.010.1. The board shall determine the process for admission. Upon admission, such club shall be subject to all rights and responsibilities of a club. -REJECTED</u></p> <p>AS AMENDED</p> <p>Article 1 Definition-added</p> <p><u>Rotaract club: A club of young adults.</u></p> <p><u>Rotaractor: A member of a Rotaract club.</u></p> <p><u>Year: The twelve-month period which begins on the first day of July.</u></p> <p>Article 2 Name & Description</p> <p>Add <u>and Rotaract clubs</u></p> <p>Article 3 Purposes</p> <p>Add, <u>Rotaract Clubs</u></p> <p>Article 5 Memberships</p> <p>Add in sec 1 & 2 and/or Rotaract clubs</p>	381	134	Adopted as Amended

	Sec 3 <i>Composition of Rotaract Clubs. <u>Rotaract clubs shall be composed of Rotaractors as determined by the board. AND SO ON</u></i>			
19-73	To remove provisions for pilot projects Section 4 — <i>Exceptions. Notwithstanding any other provision of this constitution or of the bylaws of RI or the standard club constitution, the board, as a pilot project, may admit into membership or permit the reorganization of up to 1,000 clubs with provisions in their constitutions not in accordance with this constitution and bylaws of RI. Such pilot project may extend for a period not exceeding 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.</i>	96	412	rejected
74-78	Rotary International Committees	YES	NO	RESULT
19-74	To amend the term of service for the Convention Committee members TO ADD <i>In addition to the chair of a convention committee, one other member of the convention committee may be a person who has served on one prior convention committee.</i>	451	56	adopted
19-75	To amend the term of reference for the Rotaract and Interact Committee 17.010. Number and Term Strike term <i>and Interact</i> <i>consists of six three members, each one of whom shall serve a term be appointed each year for term of three years, with two members appointed each year, plus a minimum of three Rotaract members _____, with the committee co-chaired by one member and one Rotaract member.</i> <i>Interim Provision Relating to Section 17.010. Amendments to section 17.010. adopted at the 2019 Council on Legislation pursuant to council enactment 19-75 shall be implemented by the board in a manner it deems appropriate.</i>	452	40	adopted
19-76	To amend the term of service for the Audit Committee members Change 17.120 Audit Committee one current trustee <i>two current trustees</i> <i>with one member appointed every second year.</i>	240	266	rejected
19-77	To provide for an Information Technology Committee Article 17 Committees 17.010. Number and Term.	157	335	rejected

	<p><u>ADD information technology.</u> <u>AND (7) information technology consist of six members, each of whom shall serve a term of three years, with two members appointed each year;</u></p>			
19-78	<p><u>To provide for a Rotary Representative Network</u> <u>17.140. The Rotary Representative Network.</u> <u>17.040.1. Purpose of the Representative Network.</u> <u>The Representative Network exists for the purpose of building relationships between RI and major intergovernmental organizations.</u> <u>7.040.2. Representatives.</u> <u>There shall be 30 representatives, each nominated by the president-elect and elected by the board in the year prior to taking office. All representatives shall satisfy the following qualifications: A representative must be either a past governor or a Rotarian with experience in international affairs. The president-elect shall endeavor to select the best representatives possible and whenever possible to select individuals with experience with international communication, negotiation, and diplomacy.</u> <u>17.040.3. Chair of the Representative Network.</u> <u>There shall be one representative chosen from among the 30 representatives who shall serve as chair of the Representative Network. The chair shall be chosen by</u> <u>the president-elect.</u> <u>17.040.4. Vacancies in the Position of Representative.</u> <u>In the event of a vacancy in the position of representative, a new representative shall be nominated by the president to fill the unexpired term and elected by the board.</u> <u>17.040.5. Terms of Representatives.</u> <u>The terms of the representatives shall be three years. Representatives may be reappointed for one additional term. The terms of representatives shall be staggered so that one-third of the representatives are appointed each year.</u> <u>17.040.6. Compensation of Representatives.</u> <u>All representatives shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses.</u> <u>7.040.7. Report of Representatives.</u> <u>The representatives shall report no less than annually to RI on their communication and accomplishments with the intergovernmental agency for which they are the representative. The annual report of RI shall, by individual intergovernmental agency, clearly show all</u></p>	200	304	rejected

	<i>reimbursed expenses paid to, and all payments made on behalf of, each of the representatives.</i>			
79-81	Rotary International Conventions	YES	NO	RESULT
19-79	<p>To update and modernize the convention procedures 5.040. Powers of the Board. 5.040.3. <u>Plans and Supervises the Annual Convention.</u> <u>In accordance with the RI Constitution, the board shall determine the time, place, and fees, and make all arrangements for the annual convention. The board shall make every effort to ensure that no Rotarian will be excluded solely on the basis of national citizenship when selecting a convention site. The president shall be the presiding officer, who may appoint others to preside. The president may appoint credentials, balloting, and other committees if needed. The board shall adopt voting procedures implementing article 9, sections 3, 4, and 5, of the RI Constitution for representation by the delegates.</u> AND DELETED WHAT NOW EXISTS IN ARTICLE 10 CONVENTION</p>	485	23	Adopted
19-80	<p>To revise the process for the election of officers Article 6 Officers 6.010. Election of Officers at Convention. The officers to be elected at the annual convention shall be the president, directors, and governors of RI, and the president, vice-president, and honorary treasurer of RIBI, <u>if such an election is needed under the provisions of subsection 10.120.1. of these bylaws.</u> 10.110. Balloting Committee. 10.110.2. Notice of Election of Officers. The president shall notify the electors of the time and place for nominations and elections of officers, <u>unless the board has determined that an election is not needed under the provisions of the following section.</u> 10.120.1. Electors Voting Rights. The electors shall each be entitled to cast one vote for each officer to be elected, <u>if the selection process provided in these bylaws for the officer has not been completed. If the selections of all the officers normally confirmed at a convention have been completed in accordance with these bylaws and, thereby, are not subject to challenge or appeal, then the board is authorized to determine that the selections of such officers does not need to be confirmed by an election at the convention.</u></p>	414	98	adopted
19-81	<p>To remove the provision for special assemblies at the convention 10.150. Special Assemblies.</p>			Withdrawn

	<i>At each convention, special assemblies of Rotarians from one country or from a group of countries in which clubs are established, may be held. The board or the convention may determine from time to time for what country or countries such special assemblies shall be held and shall instruct the convention committee accordingly. At such assemblies, matters which pertain particularly to the country or group of countries concerned may be considered. The president shall designate the convening officer and shall promulgate rules for the conduct of the said assemblies as near as may be to the rules regulating the procedure of the convention. Upon convening, the assembly shall select its chair and secretary.</i>			
82-95	Rotary International Finances and Per Capita Dues	YES	NO	RESULT
19-82	To increase per capita dues 18.030. Dues. 18.030.1. Per Capita Dues. Each club shall pay to RI per capita dues for each of its members as follows: US\$28.00 per half year in 2016-2017, US\$30.00 per half year in 2017-2018, US\$32.00 per half year in 2018-2019, and US\$34.00 per half year in 2019-2020, US\$34.50 per half year in 2020-2021, US\$35.00 per half year in 2021-2022, and US\$35.50 per half year in 2022-2023 and thereafter. Such dues shall remain constant until changed by the council on legislation.			withdrawn
19-83	To increase per capita dues 18.030.1. Per Capita Dues. Each club shall pay to RI per capita dues for each of its members as follows: US\$28.00 per half year in 2016-2017, US\$30.00 per half year in 2017-2018, US\$32.00 per half year in 2018-2019, and US\$34.00 per half year in 2019-2020, US\$35.00 per half year in 2020-2021, US\$36.00 per half year in 2021-2022, and US\$37.00 per half year in 2022-2023, and US\$38.00 per half year in 2023-2024 and thereafter. Such dues shall remain constant until changed by the council on legislation.			withdrawn
19-84	To increase per capita dues 18.030.1. Per Capita Dues. Each club shall pay to RI per capita dues for each of its members as follows: US\$28.00 per half year in 2016-2017, US\$30.00 per half year in 2017-2018, US\$32.00 per half year in 2018-2019, and US\$34.00 per half year in 2019-2020 and thereafter. Such dues shall remain constant until changed by the council on legislation <u>US\$40.00 per half year in 2019-2020 and thereafter. The</u>	53	451	rejected

	<p><u>amount of RI per capita dues shall not be revised until the year 2030.</u></p> <p>18.030.2. Additional Dues. Each club shall pay each year to RI for each of its members additional per capita dues of US\$1.00 or such other amount, as determined by the board, sufficient to pay for the projected expenses of the next scheduled council on legislation and council on resolutions. There shall be no minimum amount payable to RI by any club. In the event an extraordinary meeting of the council on legislation is convened, additional per capita dues to pay for its expenses shall be paid as soon as practicable following the meeting. Such additional dues shall be held as a separate fund restricted to provide for the expenses of representatives in attending the council, as well as other administrative expenses of the council, in a manner to be determined by the board. The board shall furnish the clubs an accounting of receipts and expenditures.</p>			
19-85	<p>To amend the provisions for increasing per capita dues</p> <p>18.030.1. Per Capita Dues. Each club shall pay to RI per capita dues for each of its members as follows: US\$28.00 per half year in 2016 – 2017, US\$30.00 per half year in 2017 – 2018, US\$32.00 per half year in 2018 – 2019, and US\$34.00 per half year in 2019 - 2020 and thereafter. Such dues shall remain constant until changed by the council on legislation. Per capita dues shall not be <u>increased for at least three years after 2019-2020.</u></p>			withdrawn
19-86	<p>To maintain current per capita dues amounts</p> <p>18.030.1. Per Capita Dues. Each club shall pay to RI per capita dues for each of its members as follows: US\$28.00 per half year in 2016 – 2017, US\$30.00 per half year in 2017 – 2018, US\$32.00 per half year in 2018 – 2019, and US\$34.00 per half year in 2019 – 2020 and thereafter. <u>US\$34.00 per half year in 2019-2020 and thereafter. Such dues shall remain constant until changed by the council on legislation.</u></p>			withdrawn
19-87	<p>To reduce per capita dues when married people are members of the same club</p> <p><u>ADD: When two individuals, who are lawfully married to each other, are members of the same club, the club shall pay per capita dues for one member and pay 50 percent of per capita dues for the spouse of the member. The club must notify RI in the semiannual report. Such dues waiver shall remain at 50 percent until changed by the council on legislation.</u></p>			withdrawn

19-88	<p>To reduce per capita dues and allow free digital subscriptions to Rotary magazines for members 30 years old and younger ADD <i>These amounts shall be reduced by 75 percent for members who are 30 years old and younger.</i> AND <u>8.030.2.1. Exception to Additional Dues.</u> <u>No additional per capita dues shall be assessed on members who are 30 years old and younger to pay for the council on legislation or the council on resolutions.</u> PLUS <u>21.030.3. Optional Subscription.</u> <u>Members who are 30 years old and younger shall receive an electronic copy of the official magazine at no charge. Members who are 30 years old and younger shall have the option to become paid subscribers and receive a printed copy by mail.</u></p>			Withdrawn
19-89	<p>To reduce per capita dues for older members 18.030. Dues. <u>18.030.2. Reduction of Per Capita Dues by 50 Percent for Older Members.</u> <u>If the aggregate of the member's years of age and years of membership in one or more clubs is 85 years or more, the member's per capita dues shall be reduced by 50 percent.</u></p>			withdrawn
19-90	<p>To reduce per capita dues for older members ADD TO 18.030-<u>Rotarians 75 years of age or older, who have maintained active membership in one or more Rotary clubs for at least 25 years, shall be exempt from the payment of 50 percent of their per capita dues.</u></p>	151	356	rejected
19-91	<p>To exempt older members from per capita dues ADD TO 18.030 <u>Rotarians 65 years of age or older, who have been a member of one or more clubs for at least 30 years, may choose to be exempt from the payment of per capita dues.</u></p>	108	399	rejected
19-92	<p>To disclose to clubs the effect and impact of changing per capita dues ADD TO 18.060.1 <u>including the effect and impact of any change of RI per capita dues as a separate item, a</u></p>	234	272	rejected
19-93	<p>To change the name of the General Surplus Fund to the RI Reserve ADDIN Article 6 Board of Directors Section 2 general surplus fund <u>RI reserve</u> a PLUS OTHER SECTIONS</p>	502	14	adopted
19-94	<p>To revise the process for establishing the General Surplus Fund 8.050.6. Expenditures in Excess of Anticipated Revenue; General Surplus Fund.</p>	434	68	adopted

	<p>Notwithstanding the provisions of section 18.050.4., if at any time the general surplus fund is greater than 85 percent of the highest level of annual expenses during the most recent three-year period, excluding expenditures funded from the general surplus fund and the self-financing expenditures on the annual convention and the council on legislation <u>the board will establish an annual reserve target sufficient to ensure that RI will continue to meet its financial obligations. If at any time the RI reserve is greater than the RI reserve target set by the board</u>, the board, by a three-quarters vote, may authorize the expenditure of amounts in excess of anticipated revenues, provided, however, that such expenditure would not cause the general surplus fund to decrease below 100 percent of such 85 percent level <u>the RI reserve target</u>. Full details of the <u>reserve target</u> and any excess expenditure and the circumstances leading thereto shall be reported by the president to all officers of RI within 60 days and to the next convention.</p>			
19-95	<p>To establish a new target and define the General Surplus Fund 18.050. Budget. 18.050.6. Expenditures in Excess of Anticipated Revenue; General Surplus Fund. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 18.050.4., if at any time the general surplus fund is greater than 8555 percent of the highest level of annual expenses during the most recent three-year period, excluding expenditures funded from the general surplus fund and the self-financing expenditures on for the annual convention and the council on legislation, the board, by a three-quarters vote, may authorize the expenditure of amounts in excess of anticipated revenues, provided, however, that such expenditure would not cause decrease the general surplus fund to decrease below 100 percent of such 8555 percent level. Full details of the excess expenditure and the circumstances leading thereto such authorization shall be reported by the president to all officers of RI within 60 days and to the next convention. The general surplus fund shall be defined as RI's cash and investments, excluding funds held in restricted currencies, funds restricted for a specific purpose by the bylaws or the board and funds necessary for RI's daily operations.</p>			Withdrawn

PRELIMINARY VOTING RESULTS FOR 2019 COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION				
96-103	Councils-pre-meeting procedures	YES	NO	RESULT
19-95	To establish a new target and define the General Surplus Fund			Withdrawn
19-96	To allow the RI Board to propose urgent enactments to the Council on Resolutions 8.010. Meeting of the Council on Resolutions <u>ADD-The council shall consider and act on any duly proposed resolutions submitted to it.</u> ADD 8.050. Enactments Considered by the Council on Resolutions. <u>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.</u> ADD 8.060. Deadline for Proposed Resolutions and Enactments <u>The Board may deliver to the general secretary urgent enactments no later than 30 June in the year before the year when they are to be considered by the council on resolutions. The board shall not propose legislation relating to The Rotary Foundation without the prior agreement of the trustees.</u> ADD-THE TERM <u>and Enactments</u>. TO VARIOUS ARTICLES.	325	182	Adopted
19-97	<u>To streamline and modernize any extraordinary meeting of the Council on Legislation</u> WORDING CHANGE Article 10 Council on Legislation Section 5 – Extraordinary Meeting to Adopt Legislation-MINOR CHANGES TO ALLOW EMERGENCY VOTE-ON LEGISLATION PROPOSED BY THE BOARD -exists now never been used NEW WORDING 7.060. Extraordinary Meeting of the Council. 7.060.1. Notice. <u>An extraordinary meeting of the council on legislation may be called by the board in accordance with article 10, section 5 of the RI constitution. Notice of an extraordinary meeting and the legislation it will consider shall be sent to members and governors no later than 30 days before the meeting is scheduled to convene. The governors shall notify the clubs in their districts.</u> 7.060.2. Adoption of Enactments. <u>A two-thirds affirmative vote of the representatives shall be required for the adoption of legislation at an extraordinary meeting of the council on legislation.</u> 7.060.3. Procedures.	434	77	Adopted

	<p><u>The procedures applicable at the regular meeting of the council on legislation shall apply at an extraordinary meeting with the following three exceptions:</u></p> <p><u>7.060.3.1. Method of meeting.</u> <u>An extraordinary meeting may be convened in-person or through electronic communications.</u></p> <p><u>7.060.3.2. Report of Action.</u> <u>The report of action provided for in subsection 9.150.2. shall be transmitted to the clubs within seven days of the adjournment of the extraordinary meeting.</u></p> <p><u>7.060.3.3. Opposition to Action.</u> <u>The clubs shall have one month from the time the report is transmitted to the clubs to record their opposition to any action of an extraordinary meeting of the council on legislation.</u></p> <p><u>7.060.4. Effective Date of Action.</u> <u>Actions of an extraordinary meeting of the council on legislation shall become effective one month after the general secretary has transmitted the report of that council so long as the requisite number of opposition votes has not been filed by clubs. If the requisite number of clubs have recorded their opposition, the action will be subject to a ballot-by-mail following as closely as possible the provisions of section 9.150.</u></p>			
19-98	<p>To hold the Council on Legislation in August, September, or October and to revise the timetable for submitting proposed legislation</p> <p>Section 2 – Time and Place. The council on legislation shall convene</p> <p>Triennially in April, May, or June <u>August, September, or October</u>, but preferably in April <u>October</u>.</p>	92	420	Rejected
19-99	<p>To amend the deadline for submitting enactments</p> <p>7.035. Deadline for Proposed Enactments and Position Statements.</p> <p>Proposed enactments shall be delivered to the general secretary in writing no later than 31 December <u>31 March</u> in the year preceding the council.</p>	217	272	Rejected
19-100	<p>To amend the provisions for endorsing resolutions</p> <p>BY ADDING THE WORDS- or <u>through a ballot-by-mail conducted by the governor, following the procedures in section 14.040. as closely as possible.</u></p>	34	137	Rejected
19-101	<p>To amend the definition of defective resolutions</p> <p>BY ADDING <u>it would request an action that involves the operation, management or implementation of a program, policy or affairs of RI or TRF that is within the discretion of the board or trustees;</u></p>	451	55	Adopted as Amended

	<i>(c) it would request an action which has already been implemented by the board or trustees; or d) it is not within the framework of the program of RI.</i>			
19-102	To authorize consideration of legislation before the in-person meeting of the Council BY ADDING 7.050.5. Council Consideration of Legislation. <i>Before any in-person meeting of the council on legislation, the representatives may vote electronically on duly proposed legislation presented for consideration by the council operations committee, after notice and opportunity for comment. This vote may be part of the council on resolutions. If less than 20 percent of the representatives entitled to vote vote for an enactment, it shall not be considered at the next in-person meeting of the council on legislation. The council on legislation shall consider and act upon such all other duly proposed legislation, and any proffered amendments.</i>	450	65	Adopted
19-103	To authorize consideration of legislation before the in-person meeting of the Council BY ADDING 7.050.5. Council Consideration of Legislation. <i>Before any in-person meeting of the council on legislation, the representatives may vote electronically on duly proposed legislation presented for consideration by the council operations committee, after notice and opportunity for comment. This vote may be part of the council on resolutions. If more than 80 percent of the representatives entitled to vote vote for an enactment, it shall be considered on the consent agenda for the next in-person meeting. At its next in-person meeting, The the council on legislation shall consider and act upon such the consent agenda, all other duly proposed legislation, and any proffered</i>	439	69	Adopted
104-109	Councils – meetings and representatives	YES	NO	RESULT
19-104	To amend the process for selecting representatives to attend the Council on Legislation ADD TO 9.010.1 REPRESENTATIVES <i>For purposes of determining attendance at a meeting of the council on legislation, each district shall be paired with another district in a manner determined by the board. Of the two representatives from the paired districts, only one representative shall attend a meeting of the council on legislation. The paired districts shall alternate sending representatives to meetings of the council on legislation in a manner determined by the board. The representative attending the council on</i>	174	334	Rejected

	<i>legislation shall be a voting member. All representatives shall participate in the council on resolutions.</i> PLUS OTHER SMALL CHANGES TO OTHER ARTICLES TO BRING THEM IN LINE such as a <u>6 year term</u> vs a three year term .			
19-105	To provide for a biennial Council on Legislation Section 2 – Time and Place. The council on legislation shall convene triennially <u>biennially</u> in March , April, May, or June, but preferably in April.			Withdrawn
19-106	To provide for an annual electronic Council on Legislation TO REPLACE CURRENT WORDING <i>There shall be a Council on Legislation conducted annually. The Council on Legislation shall be convened through electronic communication. The board will determine the time of meeting.</i> ALSO IN 7.010 TYPES OF LEGISLATION <i>Proposals that are expressions of opinion of the Council on Legislation shall be known as resolutions</i> AND REDEFINES 7.037.4. Duly Proposed Resolutions. AND 7.037.5. Defective Resolutions.			Withdrawn
19-107	To amend the process for selecting Council representatives 9.080. Election of Representatives and Alternates. 9.080.1. Nominees for Election. <i>If the zone meets at a single institute, the six zone representatives and the alternate representatives will be elected by the past and current _____ RI officers _____ present at the zone's annual Rotary institute. The election shall take place at the zone's institute in the year two years preceding the council on legislation. The six candidates receiving the most votes cast shall be the representatives to the council on legislation and the council on resolutions. If here are more than six candidates, the three candidates receiving the next highest votes cast shall be the alternate representatives, to serve only in the event any of the representatives are unable to serve.</i> THE ABOVE IS ONLY THE HEART OF THE CHANGE-	96	409	Rejected
19-108	To amend the qualifications for Council representatives BY ADDING- <i>A representative must have attended at least two institutes and one international convention in the last three years at the time of election. This requirement shall be waived if the candidate has previously served as representative.</i>	247	252	Rejected
19-109	To amend the timeline for selecting Council representatives	247	252	Rejected

	CHANGE LINE IN 9.060.1 The nominating committee procedure, including any challenges and a resulting election, shall be conducted and completed in the year two <i>three</i> years preceding the council on legislation.			
109-115	Councils - miscellaneous	YES	NO	RESULT
19-110	To simplify the credentialing procedures at a Council 9.100. Credentials Committee. The president shall appoint a credentials committee which shall meet in advance of the council on legislation. The committee shall examine and certify credentials. The general secretary shall <i>certify the credentials of representatives.</i> Any action of the committee <i>general secretary with respect to credentialing may be reviewed by the council on legislation.</i>	403	97	Adopted
19-111	To amend the Council voting provisions BY ADDING TO Article 9. – 9.120 Quorum <i>Each member representing a district with more than 1,000 Rotarians shall be entitled to one additional vote for each additional 1,000 Rotarians in the district. The additional votes shall be determined by the number of Rotarians in the district for whom semiannual payments have been made as of 1 July in the year of the council on legislation. However, members in RI who have been suspended by the board shall not be entitled to be represented.</i>	97	147	Rejected
19-112	To amend who is a member of a Council 9.010.4. President, President-elect, Directors, and General Secretary. The president, president-elect, other members of the board <i>one member of the board elected by the board,</i> and general secretary shall be non-voting members of the councils. AND STRUCK 9.010.5. Past Presidents. All past presidents of RI shall be non-voting members of the councils.	258	252	Adopted
19-113	To provide that a Council report shall be given at Rotary institutes ADDED TO 20.020 Rotary institutes <i>The convener shall report upon the legislation and resolutions reviewed and the action taken by each council on legislation and council on resolutions.</i>	343	252	Adopted
19-114	To amend the process for opposition to Council actions ADD ITEM TO 9.150.3. Opposition to Council Action. Forms from clubs recording opposition to action by a council on legislation in adopting any legislation must be certified by the club presidents and received by the general secretary no later than the	323	180	Adopted

	date stated in the report by the general secretary, which shall be at least two months after the mailing of such report. The general secretary shall examine and tabulate all forms duly received from clubs recording opposition to action by a council on legislation, <i>and publish the vote totals on Rotary's website.</i>			
19-115	To modernize and streamline the Bylaws of Rotary International without making any substantive changes . EXECUTIVE SUMMARY 19-115 To modernize and streamline the Bylaws of Rotary International without making any substantive changes This item was drafted to make non-substantive changes to the RI Bylaws. For months, a special committee reviewed each Bylaw, in order to remove extra words and streamline the format. No changes to content are made. The changes are cosmetic, removing redundancies, and improving readability and access by Rotarians. In the end, the RI Bylaws will be one-third shorter—about 20,000 words instead of 30,000 words—and much easier to use. OVER 70 PAGES (PG 303-375) OF REVISIONS TO IMPLMENT 19-115	494	13	Adopted
116-117	Technical Legislation	YES	NO	RESULT
19-116	To modernize and streamline the Standard Rotary Club Constitution without making any substantive changes. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY this item was drafted to make non-substantive changes to the Club Constitution. For months, a special committee reviewed each section, in order to remove extra words and streamline the format. No changes to content are made. The changes are cosmetic, removing redundancies, and improving readability and access by Rotarians. In the end, the Club Constitution will be one-sixth shorter and much easier to use. 25 PAGES OF REVISIONS TO IMPLMENT 19-116	502	9	Adopted
19-117	To authorize the RI Board to take appropriate action to change RI's tax status PURPOSE & EFFECT The purpose of this enactment is to seek approval from the Council on Legislation, on behalf of the RI membership, to permit the RI Board to change RI to a section 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization under the US Internal Revenue Code. RI currently is tax exempt under a different section of the US tax code, section 501(c)(4). The US Internal Revenue service has indicated that RI is eligible to obtain exemption under Section 501(c)(3).	374	120	Adopted

	<p>As a Section 501(c)(3) organization, RI could obtain several benefits, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • tax reductions • discounts from vendors • eligibility for certain corporate sponsorships • opportunities for tax benefits for US taxpayers that might wish to support an RI activity <p>Clubs in the US are currently automatically eligible for tax exemption under section 501(c)(4). This proposal would have no impact on that automatic tax exemption.</p> <p>The change in tax exemption would not otherwise change the governance or operations of RI.</p>			
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