



The Rotary Club of Ryde

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No. 18039 NEW SOUTH WALES – DISTRICT 9685 – AUSTRALIA

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Annual General Meeting

12th December 2017

Next Generations

Minutes

- 1 Secretary Allen Horrell opened AGM at 7.00pm
- 2 Confirmed Quorum – 36 members present.
- 3 Minutes of AGM held on the 13th December 2016 to be accepted.
Moved David Johnston, Seconded Ken Allen, Passed
- 4 Audited Accounts for 2016-2017 to be accepted.
Moved Stephen Thorp, Seconded Rachael Ings, Passed
- 5 Motions:
 - a) Our club Visioning process adopted the following Vision Statement:
The Rotary Club of Ryde shall be a modern, professional club featuring:
Active connection and engagement with the important institutions and sectors of our community.
Action-oriented projects and programs which make a difference in the world.
Friendly networking and personal interaction for a membership numbering in the top 5% of clubs in D9680

Moved by Allen Horrell: that the Club approve that the wording of the last line change to:
“Friendly networking and personal interaction for a membership numbering in the top 5% of clubs in our District.”

Seconded: Stephen Thorp, passed

Club vote:

YES

NO



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b) Proposed Enactments for Council on Legislation 2019

PROPOSAL 1: MEMBERSHIP

Amend:

4.090. *Attendance 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.

Proposed change:

4.090. *Community Engagement Reports.*

Each club shall enter into Rotary Club Central community engagement reports of its activities within 15 days of the last meeting of each quarter

Reasons for change.

Currently all clubs are required to report attendance numbers to the District Governor. Many clubs no longer comply with this requirement and many governors ignore the requirement. In recent years the emphasis in Rotary has been on active engagement of members, rather than simply attending meetings. Research has show that the healthy growing clubs are those actively involved in their community. Many Rotarians have expressed concern that their volunteer fundraising and administration time is not being recognised. Although Rotary International does not currently seek to capture all time spent on fundraising or administration, this may change and does not preclude clubs and districts capturing this information themselves. Clubs and districts will have the opportunity to propose a resolution (as opposed to an enactment to change rules) to the Rotary International board in the 2018-19 year, requesting the board change its policy and capture this information.

Proposal 1 Moved Allen Horrell, Seconded Tony Abboud, Passed.

Club vote:

YES

NO



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PROPOSAL 2: COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION REPRESENTATIVES

Amend:

9.010.1. Representatives.

There shall be one representative elected by the clubs of each district as provided in sections 9.060., 9.070., and 9.080. Each non-districted club shall designate a convenient district whose representative shall represent the club. The representative shall be a voting member.

Proposed change

9.010.1. Representatives.

There shall be six representatives elected in each zone as provided in sections 9.060. The representative shall be a voting member.

Reasons for change:

There are two main reasons for this proposal: cost and efficiency. Efficiency: Currently every three years a representative from every Rotary district in the world, (approximately 550), meet in Chicago for one week to debate and vote on proposed enactments. In the past there has been some hundreds of proposed enactments requiring debate and decisions. Due to the large number of attendees and time restrictions, very few actually get the opportunity to speak. As a result of changes enacted at the 2016 COL, resolutions are now voted on by way of an online voting system, however, enactments will still be debated and voted on in person due to complexity of issues and impact of change on Rotarians world wide. This proposal will ensure that before an enactment is proposed to the Council on Legislation, it has been discussed by all districts in the Zone and will have greater support and greater scrutiny.

Cost: Rotary International, through club fees, pays for all travel, accommodation and meals of the representatives. The cost to Rotarians could be reduced dramatically by reducing the number of representatives to six per zone, which equates to 204 representatives. By 2021 due to a reduction in zones, this will result in 192 representatives. This number will still ensure a democratic process.

Proposal 2 Moved Patrick Longfield, Seconded President John Brown, Passed after Count.

Club vote:

YES

NO



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6 Election of Office Bearers 2018-2019

7 Confirm office Bearers:

There being two nominations for Administration Director/President-Elect a ballot must be held. Nominees are Nora Etmekdjian and Alan Oertel. Ballot papers were circulated for a secret Ballot, collected by Eastwood-Gladesville President Robert Erskine OAM, acting as returning officer. Assisted by PP Ross Rocca, the votes were counted and the result advised to Secretary Allen Horrell, who then declared President-Nominee Alan Oertel to be the winner.

The following people were nominated for the following Board positions. There being no other nominations they are elected:

Secretary	Allen Horrell
Treasurer	Stephen Thorp
Membership	Jade Catherall
Public Relations	Dennise Herrick
Projects	Geoff Brennan
Foundation	John Dodd

8 AGM Closed 7:20pm