



ACTIONS OF THE 2016 COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION

Desired outcome: Learn how each District is sharing changes from the 2016 COL helping district leadership understand the implications and opportunities these changes present to the clubs. This exercise is intended to share ideas and identify best practices.

For discussion:

- **Club Flexibility**
- **Attendance/E-Clubs**
- **Types of Membership**
- **Club Composition**
- **Rotaractors as Rotarians**

Overview of Council Activity: 523 representatives out of 534 districts - 181 items of legislation sent to the Council – 47 enactments adopted – 14 resolutions adopted

Club Flexibility: 16-21 To allow for flexibility in club meetings and attendance • Gives clubs flexibility in setting their own meeting length, meeting frequency and attendance requirements provided that a club must meet at least twice per month • Clubs may choose to keep the requirements in the Club Constitution or modify the requirements to meet the needs of their members

Attendance: 16-30 To revise attendance provisions to allow for both in-person and online meeting participation 16-82 To remove the distinction between traditional clubs and e-clubs • Enactments remove the distinction between e-clubs and traditional clubs • In actual practice, clubs take many forms: entirely online to only in-person. This allows each club flexibility within that spectrum • Allows traditional clubs to count remote attendance, potentially attracting younger members and busy professionals

Types of Membership: 16-36 To allow for flexibility in membership • Gives clubs flexibility in setting certain membership requirements, including – The types and structure of a club's membership; – How former, transferring or honorary members are managed and accepted by the club • Club choose to keep the requirements in the RI Bylaws and Club Constitution or modify the requirements to meet the needs of their members

Club Composition: 16-38 To revise the provisions for membership • Provides flexibility in qualifications for membership and composition of clubs • Maintains focus on a balance among members by encouraging clubs to mirror the composition of their community relative to: – Business – Professions – Community organizations

Rotaractors as Rotarians: 16-40 To allow Rotaractors to be active members • Permits Rotaractors to be members of both a Rotaract club and a Rotary club • Simplifies Rotaractors' entry into Rotary • Rotaractors who are members of both a Rotaract club and a Rotary club must pay dues to both clubs accordingly • Rotaractors would be eligible for membership in any club