



Highlights from the January 2024 Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees Meeting

The 2023–24 Rotary Foundation Trustees met in conjunction with the International Assembly in Orlando, Florida, USA on 6–7 January 2024 and reviewed seven committee reports and recorded 28 decisions.

Administration

The Trustees

- agreed to establish national PolioPlus Committees in Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe;
- approved the creation of a new region, with a new regional leader team, to serve districts in Korea.

Programs and Awards

The Trustees

- approved US\$50 million in PolioPlus grants to the World Health Organization and UNICEF for technical assistance, operational support, social mobilization support, and vaccine procurement;
- approved 62 recipients for the Regional Service Award for a Polio-free world and nine nominations for the International Service Award for a Polio-Free World;
- amended the eligibility requirements for Rotary Peace Center certificate candidates to provide that candidates “either be from the region where the center is located, have relevant work experience in the region where the center is located, work elsewhere around the world with communities or initiatives related to the region, or demonstrate a compelling interest in learning about peacebuilding approaches used in the region”;
- approved US\$20,000 from the World Fund for use as Special Initiatives Grant funding.

Finance

The Trustees

- approved 2024-25 budget assumptions for net investment earnings as follows:
 - Annual Fund and Operating Reserve: 4.0%
 - Endowment and other long-term investments: 5.0%
 - PolioPlus Fund: 3.0%