

## Highlights from the June and "July" 2025 Rotary International Board of Directors Meetings

The 2024–25 RI Board of Directors held a special, virtual meeting on 14 June 2025. On 19 June, the Board met in-person in Calgary, Alberta, Canada in conjunction with the Rotary International convention and reviewed six committee reports and recorded 32 decisions. The 2025–26 RI Board met on 26 June after the RI convention to discuss the year ahead and adopt various operational decisions before taking office, with such decisions being effective only on 1 July.

### Administration

The Board

- in a specially called, virtual meeting on 14 June, elected Francesco Arezzo as the 2025-26 Rotary International president, to fill the vacancy upon then-president-elect de Camargo's resignation from the office;
- designated the following sites for the 2025-26 zone nominating committees for RI director:

**Zone 4:** Delhi, India **Zone 15:** Cologne, Germany **Zone 6:** Calcutta, India **Zone 24A:** Amambai, Brazil

**Zone 10A:** Manila, Philippines **Zone 26:** Phoenix, AZ, United States **Zone 12:** Changwon, Korea **Zone 30:** Columbus, OH, United States

and appointed a convener for each committee;

 agreed that representatives for the 2028 Council on Legislation will begin their terms on 1 January 2026 and end on 30 June 2028 and requested district governors to submit their selections to the Secretariat by 31 December 2025.

#### **Clubs and Districts**

The Board

- encouraged Rotary members, district, and zone leaders to support young leaders to form regional or international networks of alumni associations or multidistrict information organizations;
- agreed to resume its funding for the continuation of the Zone 8 Regionalization Pilot for another year.

#### Meetings

The Board

- tentatively selected the following cities to host Rotary International Conventions:
  - o Dubai, UAE on 26-30 June 2027;
  - o Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, on 5-9 June 2032.

#### **Finances**

The Board

- approved a 2025–26 budget of US\$137,903,000 total revenue, \$138,124,000 total expenses, and funding from reserves of \$385,000;
- approved use of \$125,928,000 from unrestricted contributions for the 2025–26 Rotary Foundation programs budget.



# Decisions from the first meeting of the 2025-26 RI Board of Directors

#### The Board

- approved director Alain Van de Poel as the 2025–26 Rotary International vice president;
- approved director Patrick Eakes as the 2025–26 Rotary International treasurer;
- agreed that Zones 2, 9, 13A, 17A, 21B, 25B, 28, and 33 shall select committees in 2025–26 to nominate RI directors to serve on the Board beginning 1 July 2028;
- established a steering committee to begin the RI Bylaws-mandated process of reviewing the composition of Rotary's 34 zones, to include recommended criteria, guidelines, and timetable for the process.