

Attendance Reporting District 5040: Policy Statement

Effective immediately, Rotary District 5040 no longer requires clubs to report monthly attendance on the District Website as has been District practice in recent years.

In alignment with the **2016 Rotary International Manual of Procedure (MOP)** and the flexibility provided to clubs with the changes brought by the 2016 Council of Legislation, each club may now determine their own requirements for attendance of their members. (See the **Standard Club Constitution**, Article 7 page 88 of the MOP which now allows for exceptions to the provisions on meetings and attendance.)

In determining your own requirements for attendance, clubs should review their club constitutions and by laws and amend by laws, if necessary, for your practice going forward.

In the **2016 Manual of Procedure**, Article 12 Attendance Section 1 and Article 15 Section 4 of the **Standard Rotary Club Constitution**, set out the general provisions for attendance at club meetings and other events (at least 50%) by members of the club. These attendance requirements for members continue to exist as set out in the Club Constitution.

To establish alternate attendance requirements, each club must officially change their Club Bylaws as per Article 11 page 103 of the **Recommended Club Bylaws** as follows:

Article 11 Amendments (2016 Manual of Procedure: Recommended Rotary Club Bylaws)

These bylaws may be amended at any regular club meeting. Changing the club bylaws requires sending written notice to each member 10 days before the meeting, having a quorum present for the vote, and having two-thirds of the votes support the change. Changes to these bylaws must be consistent with the Standard Rotary Club Constitution, the RI Constitution and Bylaws, and the Rotary Code of Policies.

Clubs are encouraged to continue to track attendance for their own benefit, as attendance is a strong indicator of club health and to monitor the level of member engagement.

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