



Mendocino Rotary Club Bylaws & Finance

Subject: Suggested Changes

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- What's Wrong With Our Bylaws?
 - Last updated in 2010
 - Some sections are obsolete
 - Some sections are ignored
 - Some sections need to be changed

Club Bylaws

What is the minimum favorable vote required to update the Bylaws?

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Article Q - Amendments

These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting, a quorum being present, by **a two-thirds vote of all members present**, provided that notice of such proposed amendment shall have been provided to each member at least ten days before such meeting. No amendment or addition to these bylaws can be made which is not in harmony with the constitution and bylaws of R.I.

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Article A – Organization

1. **(Modification)** The Governing Body of this Club shall be the Board consisting of ~~7-14~~ *13* members of this Club, namely: four (4) Officers, the Immediate Past President, ~~five~~ *three (3)* Standing Committee Directors, and ~~four (4)~~ *five (5)* Avenue of Service Chairs.

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Article A – Organization

4. (Modification) ~~Five (5)~~ **Three (3)** Standing Committee Directors will be elected in accordance with election section of these Bylaws, The Directors will be responsible for the following committees: ~~Club Administration~~, Club Public Relations, Membership, ~~Service Projects~~, and the Rotary Foundation. A maximum of two (2) of the Club Officers, excluding the President, may serve simultaneous terms as Standing Committee Directors or as Committee Chairs.

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Article D - Directors

Modification) The Directors are charged with carrying out the annual and long-range goals of the club based on the ~~four~~ *five* Avenues of Service.

3 (Delete) ~~Club Administration — This committee should conduct activities associated with the effective operation of the Club.~~

4 (Delete) ~~. Service Projects — This committee should develop and implement educational, humanitarian and vocational projects that address the needs of our community and communities throughout the world.~~

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Article A – Organization

5 (Modification) The President will appoint Chairs of the ~~four~~ *five (5)* Avenues of Service Committees. An Officer of the Club or a Director of a Standing Committee may also serve as the Chair of an Avenue of Service Committee.

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Article C - Duties of Officers

2(Modification) President-Elect. It shall be the duty of the President-Elect to serve as the ~~Membership Director~~, Chair of the annual Charter Night program, and to preside at meetings of the Club and the Board in the absence of the President, and to perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the President or the Board.



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Article C - Duties of Officers

5. **(Addition)** *The Immediate Past President, shall attend board meetings, advise the President, and chair the annual Debunking Meeting at the close of the Rotary Year.*

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Article F – Operations

5. (Modification) Regular luncheon meetings are held on the second and fourth ~~each~~ Thursday of each month between ~~12:15 and 1:30~~ 12:00 and 1:15 p.m. Attending a board meeting and one other club activity during the month are additional attendance goals. No meeting will be held on Thanksgiving Day or during the week in which Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Thursday. No luncheon meetings will be held during the weeks in which Charter and Debunking meetings are held

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Article F – Operations

13. **(Modification)** Regular meetings of the Board shall be held on the second ~~Thursday~~ *Monday* of each month. A majority of the Board members shall constitute a quorum of the Board



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Article F – Operations

14. (New) The board may take emergency action by email. All board members must be notified of the date and time when the motion, second, and vote tally will occur. A quorum of the board must vote on an email motion that has an email second. All measures adopted in this manner must be discussed and voted upon at the next scheduled board meeting. The purpose of this review and vote is to insure the action taken relative to the motion is recorded in the club minutes.

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Article H – Club Expenditures

5. (Modification) All Club operating expenses shall be paid for by the membership. All funds derived through ~~community~~-fundraising projects shall be maintained in the Activities Account and spent only *on board approved Avenue of Service Committee's* ~~community-related~~-projects, using guidelines approved by the Board of Directors. ~~At the conclusion of each Rotary year, all unspent Activities funds not approved by the Board as "committed", will be carried forward for use in future community service projects.~~

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Article H – Club Expenditures

6. (Modification) Funds over five hundred dollars (\$500) for one-time special projects, *or* for benefits to individuals shall be considered by the Board at any regular meeting of the Board, but voted on by written ballot at the next following *board* meeting, allowing time for an appropriate investigation.

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Article H – Club Expenditures

7. (Addition) *All proceeds earned from the Rotary Club's Activities Program of fundraising events, regardless of the fundraising title, are to be commingled into the Activities Account and thereafter available to any of the Club Committees requesting Activities funds, given that said request has been presented to the Board of Directors and approved by same. All future advertising and promotion will take this change into consideration. Any Committee's budgeting allocation which has not been specifically committed by the Board or expended during the fiscal year, shall again become commingled into the Activities Account effective July 1st of the forthcoming year. The Club Service Committee is excluded from this funding process and will receive its funding exclusively from the Club Administration Account.*

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The Club Bylaws are on the web at:

www.mendocinorotary.org/club-bylaws/