

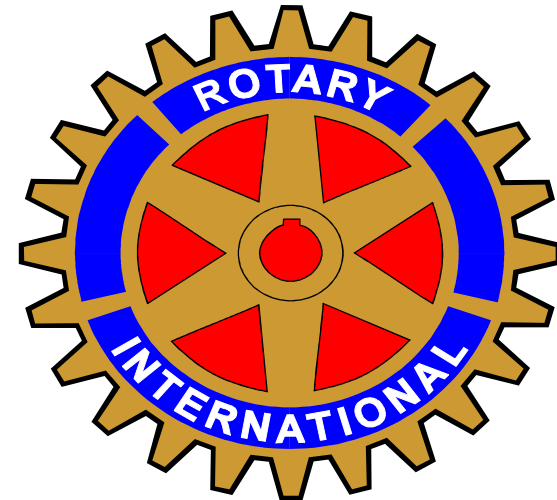
- It is assumed that the Proposer knows a candidate well enough to believe that he/she will make a good Rotary member. Here are some criteria to assist in making that judgment:
- Is the candidate's business within the territorial limits of the Club?
- Is the candidate a leading representative of that business?
- Does the candidate have a personal reputation of integrity and good business relations?
- Is the business reputation of high ethical character?
- Will the proposed member be able to comply with attendance requirements?
- Will the candidate be able to give sufficient time to club activities?
- Will the candidate fit in with the members of our Club?

Provided by:

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**PROTOCOLS FOR  
MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

## SECTION ONE: Proposing a New Member

- a) A prospective member's name is submitted on a Membership Proposal Form *to the club Secretary*. This is done confidentially. The name may be submitted by a Rotary Club or by one of our members. [The proposed member *does not sign* the Membership Proposal Form until *after* a Board decision.]
- b) The active member invites the proposed member to a noon meal and club meeting at no cost to the member or prospective member on that day. (As a gesture of friendship, the member may buy raffle tickets for the prospective member if desired.)

## SECTION TWO: Board Action

- a) The Club Board reads the proposal, checks requirements, and votes on the proposal within 30 days of its submission.
- b) The club Board directs the Secretary to notify the Proposer of its decision.

[Honorary Members may not object to a proposed member's election to membership.]

## SECTION THREE: Election Process

- a) If the decision of the Board is favorable, the prospective member now sees and signs the Membership Proposal Form, permitting his/her name to be published for the club's consideration.
- b) The prospective member's name is published in the Desert Wheel for two successive issues.
- c) The prospective member is introduced more thoroughly to the purposes, privileges, and responsibilities of Rotary membership by an appointee of the Membership Development Committee.
- d) During the fourteen-day period of publication, the prospective member is invited to two luncheon meetings, hosted by the Club.

## SECTION FOUR: Election and Induction

- a) If no written objections, stating reasons, is received by any member of the Board within 14 days of publication, the prospective member, upon payment of the admission fee prescribed in the Club by-laws, will be considered elected to membership.
- b) Following election, the President shall arrange for the induction ceremony for the new member. The Club hosts the new member and a guest. The new member is provided a membership pin, certificate of membership, name badge and other materials, including these Protocols.
- c) The Secretary issues a membership card and informs R.I. of the new member.
- d) The Membership Development Committee will oversee the orientation of new members during their first year, including a deeper understanding of privileges and responsibilities of club membership, and the history, object, and activities of the Rotary Club of Green Valley and Rotary International.
- e) The Membership Development Committee appoints an experienced Rotarian [not necessarily the Sponsor] to guide the assimilation of the new member. The Sponsoring Rotarian is encouraged to assist in this process.

## SECTION FIVE: Waiver of Certain Admission Fees

Honorary Members do not pay an admission fee.

[In Rotary, there is no such thing as "transfer of membership." The Rotarian resigns membership in one Rotary club and then joins another.]

