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#### 15 December 2021

Last Meeting: Annual General Meeting Part 1 of 2



Meeting called to order at 1:06 p.m.

Members present: PDG YK, P Bernard, DGE Norman, PP Andy, PP Andrew, PP Eddy, PP George, PP Gilbert, PP Henry, PP Rudy, PP Stacy, PP Tajwar, PP Tim, PP William, IPP Leo, PE John Poon, HS Rico, Rtn. Bonnie, Rtn. Kevin, Rtn. Tony



Guest present: Eric Poon

President Bernard and the whole room expressed a very warm Welcome Back to PP Tajwar and to PP Andrew Chen.

We celebrated the birthdays of our dear PP Hubert and Rtn. Bonnie, PP Hubert requested for PP Stacy to be the song leader, and Rtn. Bonnie requested for P Bernard to be the song leader. So both P Bernard and PP Stacy lead the room to sing a hearty heartfelt birthday song to our splendid Rotarians.

P Bernard shared our club announcements and district announcements.

P Bernard invited PP Stacy to speak about the Grant Management Seminar.

P Bernard invited PDG YK to chair and conduct the AGM.

P Bernard invited DGE Norman and IPP Leo to share about the Virtual Rotary Exchange initiative. This year, HKIE plays an important role in this pilot initiative. We will be working with two of our sister clubs, RC Penang and RC Makati, to gather youths together to promote international communication and foster international collaboration during and post COVID-19 pandemic. The format shall be modelled after international exchanges in the past such as the Rotary Youth Exchange and the Group Study Exchange.

Redbox: 1,750 HKD Meeting adjourned at: 1:53 p.m.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF HONG KONG ISLAND EAST 香港東區扶輪社週報 Club 16340 District 3450 Chartered on 06 April, 1954 by Charter President PDG (Uncle) John Yuen

## Annual General Meeting - Part 1 of 2



PDG YK started by confirming quorum and proposing our AGM to be conducted in two parts, with Part 2 to be held at our 15 Dec. regular meeting. This is to enable the Past Presidents Council to identify our next President-Elect and the Board nominees for 2022-23.

The revised agenda was adopted, and we proceeded with the rest of the AGM. Audited statements for 2019020 were adopted, and our current auditor had been re-appointed for 2022-23.

### Annual General Meeting Special Edition - Rotary Information

### Membership in Rotary International (RI)

If you ask a Rotarian if he or she belongs to Rotary International, the individual would probably look puzzled and answer: "Of course I'm a member of Rotary International". In this instance, the confident Rotarian is technically wrong. No Rotarian can be a member of Rotary International!



The explanation of this apparent contradiction is simple. The constitutional documents of RI state that membership in RI is limited only to Rotary clubs. Over 30,000 Rotary clubs belong to the organization we call Rotary International.

A Rotary club is composed of persons with the appropriate qualifications of good character and reputation, a business or professional classification, and who serve in an executive or managerial capacity. The Rotarian belongs to a club – the club belongs to RI. This technical distinction is not obvious or even known to most Rotarians and seldom does it create any problems or complications. It does explain, however, why the RI Board of Directors places expectations upon and extends privileges to Rotary clubs, rather than to individual Rotarians.

If someone asks if you belong to RI, your most accurate answer would be, "No, I belong to a Rotary club." But it is doubtful anyone would understand the difference, or, in fact, would really care!

### 100% Attendance

Regular attendance is essential to a strong and active Rotary club. The emphasis on attendance traces back to 1922 when Rotary International announced a worldwide attendance contest that motivated thousands of Rotarians to achieve 100 percent attendance year after year. Many Rotarians take great pride in maintaining their 100 percent record in their own club and by making-up at other Rotary club meetings.

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Although the bylaws of Rotary require members to attend only 60 percent of all meetings, the custom has emerged that 100

percent is the desirable level. Rotary stresses regular attendance because each member represents his own business or profession; thus the absence of any member deprives the club of the values of its diversified membership and the personal fellowship of each member.

## Junioract Club of C.C.C Kei Wan Primary School (Aldrich Bay)

On 14 December, P Bernard, Rtn Bonnie and I met with the wonderful kids at our Junioract Club of C.C.C Kei Wan Primary School (Aldrich Bay) at our second board meeting.

Under guidance from their advisors and teachers, the student board members prepared the last meeting minutes and today's agenda. The



meeting started and ended on time, planning for the first service project was discussed, student responsibilities were assigned, and preferences and opinions were voted for. We are most impressed by what they are achieving under the loving mentorship of their school.

Their first service project as Junioract Club with HKIE is confirmed on Feb 15, from 11:00am - 1:30pm. We would invite one of our service partners to join in this meaningful project, where students and visiting kids will be paired. Details will be updated shortly.

— PP Nancy Yee



Intercity Meeting

On 7th Dec 2021, DGE Norman, IPP Leo, PP Stacy and I attended the Intercity Meeting, during the meeting we got the latest update on the Rotary Foundation. DGE Norman was recognized as Major Donor Level 2, also IPP Leo was recognized as Paul Harris Fellow Level 2. We had a great time during night.

- PP Gilbert Fung

#### Junioract Reading Contest

The District will be organizing a reading contest as a service project of our newly launched Junioract Program. The contest will be divided in 3 group - Group 1 will be P.1 to P.2, Group 2 will be P.3 to P.4, and Group 3 will be P.5 to P.6.

Group 1 will be a drawing contest : "My favourite character in books". It will be an excellent window into the young students' hearts when they read.



Group 2 students will write a letter to their family or teacher about a character in books, and how they are influenced in the character. We look forward to understanding the impact of books to young students through their written sharing to important people in their lives.

Group 3 students will write about a biography of any great person between 1962 and 2022 and share about how they are influenced and encouraged by that person. We all expect to learn from what the P.5 and P.6 students see from their role models in this modern time.

Hong Kong Island East is among the first few clubs that implement and support the District's Junioract Program. Stay tuned for further updates.

# Happy Birthday to our Splendid December Members

Dec 2nd: PP Desmond Cheung Dec 8th: Rtn Bonnie Yeung Dec 12th: PP Hubert Chan Dec 16th: Rtn Benson Ng Dec 18th: Rtn Andrew Lai Dec 20th: PP Henry Chan Dec 25th: Rtn David Ng Dec 26th: IPP Leo Yu



#### Service Project - Gifted Green Education Program



Our club had committed to cosponsoring 10 seats for a condensed Gifted Green Education Program for primary or secondary school students with the Hong Kong Gifted Education Teachers' Association.

A short course will be delivered by P Bernard so students from age 9 to 17 can understand from various perspective the history, impact,

technology and scale behind energy and the environment. Selected interested students will then attend a guided one day tour which includes visit to the Embassy of South Africa, followed by visit to the Hong Kong Wetlands to understand the impact of environment protection to wildlife and our Planet Earth, and finally a zoom call to actual workers in the Safaris in South Africa to interact and ask real questions. It would be a wonderful opportunity for children to in turn influence the adults around them on how to love the planet they live in.

#### **Upcoming Events**

December 15 is Part 2 of our AGM, and we will also feature a Vocational Talk by Eric Poon, our upcoming new member. He had a diverse career in finance, manufacturing and retail, and is currently in Asset Management for Family Office.

RCHKIE Christmas Party will take place December 17, 2021 at Regal Hong Kong Hotel, 3rd floor, starting 7pm. There is no need to bring anything, Food, Christmas knick knacks and entertainment will be all inclusive.

The Second HKCRA Cup - Hong Kong Inter-School Go Open will take place December 27, 2021. Volunteers will be needed and welcome.



Christmas Carnaval for Ultimate United will also take place December 27, 2021. Volunteers will be also needed and welcome.

January 5 will be Vocational Talk by Jason Lam, a very passionate enthusiast in aviation and technology. He received his bachelor and master's degree in Aerospace Engineering in the US, and has his private pilot license.

Club postal address	: P.O.Box 47064, Morrison Hill Post Office, Hong Kong
Meeting Venue	: Regal HK Hotel, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong
Meeting Schedules	: Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 12:30 pm
Website	: http://hkie.rotary3450.org/