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<u>Today's Programme:</u> Business Meeting	<u>Congratulatory Events</u> <u>Birthdays:</u> Rtn. Kiran Thapa – 2 Mar. <u>Wedding Anniversaries:</u> Rtn. Bijaya & Rajani Bajracharya – 2 Mar. Rtn. Shiva K. & Tika Pradhan - 2 Mar.
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Minutes of Meeting No. 1698

Date: 12 Falgun 2076 / 24 February 2020

1. President Rtn. Lalita C. Thapa called the RCP Meeting No. 1698 to order with 15 seconds of 'Silent Invocation' for World Peace and Happiness.
2. Guests welcomed by the President: Rtn. Sayed Subhani from RC Karachi Sunrise, Pakistan; Mrs. Sneha Shrestha and Mr. Kapil Kafle from Sneha Foundation; and Rotaracts – President Sajal Khadka, IPP Peshal Bhattarai, and Secretary Kritika Sharma.
3. The last meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted.
4. 'Happy News'/Sunshine Contribution:
 - Rtn. Lila B. Baniya – for 'Happy Birthday' (NRs. 1,000).
 - Rtn. Bharat N. & Meera Joshi, Rtn. Piyush B. & Ramita Bajracharya, and Rtn. Pushkar M. & Rita Shakya – for 'Happy Wedding Anniversary' in absentia (ha.,ba.).
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha – for the inauguration of the Shiva Mandir in Sinchajhiti and for being honoured as one of the members with over 25 years with Rotary in a District programme (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Nirmal K. Pradhanang (NRs. 500) and Rtn. Lalita Thapa (NRs. 500) – for the MOU with 'Sneha Foundation' on 'Animal Welfare for Public Health' being signed today and to welcome Rtn. Sayed Subhani from RC Karachi Sunrise, Pakistan.
 - Rtn. Keshab B. Mathema – for the memoir of his father translated in English launched earlier (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Ramesh L. Maskay (NRs. 1,000) Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary (NRs. 500) and Rtn. Jamuna K. Tamrakar (NRs. 500) – for Rtn. Jitendra B. Rajbhandary named as DG Nominee.
 - Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht – for the RCP Team's Rota Quiz win and 'Happy Landing' from Bangkok, Thailand participating in a training seminar on the ranking of diseases (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Yagya B. Shrestha – for 'Happy Landing' from the USA with visit to NAPA valley (NRs. 500).
 - Rtn. Sayed Subhani – for his happy participation in the RCP meeting today (NRs.1,000).
 - Rtn. Matsyendra L. Kayastha – for the reduction of his diabetic measure by 50% within four months of his taking the Herbal supplement 'Jiyo Diafreen' (NRs. 1,400).

5. Other Contributions:

Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty informed on the latest status of the RCP's contribution to The Rotary Foundation as follows:

	<u>Already Received</u>	<u>Target</u>
To Annual Fund	US\$ 7,209.09	US \$6,000
To Polio Plus Fund	<u>US\$ 1,152.63</u>	<u>US \$1,500</u>
Totals:	US\$ 8,361.72	US \$7,500

6. Rotary News/Information:

- Rtn. Sayed Subhani briefed about his visit to Nepal with participation in a medical conference in Biratnagar, and about his club's work to support free hospital/health camps specifically for poor women with mismanaged labor/miscarriages. He also exchanged his club's flag with that of the RCP with President Rtn. Lalita Thapa.
- President Rtn. Lalita Thapa briefed on the District's programme of 'Rotary Day' celebrations and honouring Rotarians with 25 or more years with Rotary on 23 February 2020.
- Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha informed about his participation, on behalf of the RCP, at the 'Parents Day' celebrations at Siddhi Mangal Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Lalitpur wherein the RCP was given a 'Token of Appreciation'.

- Rtn. Siba B. Rajbhandary shared the recent policy changes on the code of policies with regards to Rotaract Clubs approved by the Council on Legislation of Rotary International that will come into effect on 1 July 2020 (See more under 'Rotary Information' below).
 - Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha will be hosting the forthcoming Board meeting of the RCP at his residence on Saturday, 29 February 2020 at 11:00 hours.
7. MOU between the Rotary Club of Patan and Sneha's Care, Bhainsepati, Lalitpur – The MOU was signed by Ms. Sneha Shrestha and Rtn. Lalita Thapa on behalf of the two organizations during the RCP meeting. The RCP will be providing NRs. 200,000 to Sneha's Care to carry out a rabies vaccination programme in Nakhu, Bhainsepati, Khokana and Bungamati areas of Lalitpur district. Rtn. Bijaya Mallapaty provided some background on the RCP's programme of animal welfare for public health, which has been sponsored by Dr. Mukti Narayan Praveena Foundation. Ms. Sneha Shrestha and Mr. Kapil Kafle from Sneha Foundation briefed on the work of Sneha Foundation as well as the vaccination programme under the current MOU.
8. Salutation: By PP Rtn. Chandralekha Kayastha – RC Adana, Turkey; Chartered: 1971; Members: 66. District: 2430, Clubs: 86, & Members: 2276.
9. Before the closure of the meeting by the President, on behalf of the Secretary Rtn. Ganesh R. Shrestha announced: total contribution of NRs. 10,550 (NRs. 2,100 for attendance, NRs. 8,450 for sunshine fund including for one mobile ring), attendance: 20 members, 1 visiting Rotarian, 2 guests, 3 Rotaracts and 6 make-ups.

Rotary Questions/Answers presented by Rtn. Khadak S. Bisht

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| Q. Rotary Theme in Rotary Year 2020-2021 | A. Rotary Opens Opportunities |
| Q. Winning Interact Club in 2019 Interact Video Award | A. Interact Club of Rajkumar College, India |
| Q. Current Chair of TRF Cadre of Leaders | A. Past RI Director Manoj Desai |

Rotary Information: Recent Rotaract policy updates

(Excerpts from rotary.org)

The 2019 Council on Legislation amended the constitutional documents of Rotary International to include Rotaract clubs as a membership type. After this landmark decision in April, RI president Mark Maloney appointed the Elevate Rotaract Task Force, composed of Rotaractors and Rotarians, to recommend updates to policies to better reflect Rotaract's newly elevated status. At every stage of the Task Force's discussions, the critical goals were to learn what Rotaractors want from their membership and to give them every opportunity to shape these important policy decisions through surveys and focus groups.

Key decisions about Rotaract from the October 2019 Board meeting: In October 2019, the Board of Directors of Rotary International made several changes to the policies related to Rotaract, which were recommended by the Elevate Rotaract Task Force. Below are the notable changes to the Code of Policies — effective 1 July 2020:

- Rotaract clubs will be able to establish a new club with or without a sponsor.
- Rotaract clubs will be able to choose other Rotaract clubs as their sponsors.
- Rotaract clubs will be open to all young adults at least 18 years old.
- Rotaract policies will be moved from Chapter V, "Programs," to a revised Chapter II, "Clubs."
- The Standard Rotaract Club Constitution and the Recommended Rotaract Club Bylaws will be amended to reflect these policy changes.
- Rotary districts are encouraged to include Rotaractors in every district committee.

Other key decisions:

- Rotaractors will pay per capita dues in the future, but the amount of dues and when we'll begin collecting them have not been determined.
- The RI president, the RI Board of Directors, and The Rotary Foundation Trustees should consider how Rotaractors might advise them on Rotaract matters.
- Rotary International has set goals for Rotaract to:
 - Increase the number of Rotaractors reported to Rotary by 100 percent by 2022.
 - Increase the number of reported Rotaractors who join Rotary clubs by 20 percent by 2022.
 - Increase the number of reported Rotaractors to 1 million by 2029.