## Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach Election Process

## Prior to November 1:

- Determine who is unwilling to be elected.
- Obtain a roster of members.
- Remove red badge members.
- Remove those who are six months or more in arrears on dues or who have not met Gala financial obligations.
- Remove current directors who are in their first year.
- Place the adjusted roster on all tables and ask members to cross out their names if not interested.
- Create a final ballot by removing those who are not interested.


## At the first regular meeting in November:

- Pass out ballots to each member in attendance.
- Have each member select SIX names at the beginning of the meeting.
- Tally the ballots during the meeting and have the President announce the SIX candidates with the highest number of votes.
- For candidates who are absent, confirm willingness to run and, if not, remove them and add the person with the next highest number of votes.
- Create the final ballot with six candidates.

At the second regular meeting in November:

- Pass out ballots to each member in attendance.
- Have each member select THREE names at the beginning of the meeting.
- Tally the ballots during the meeting and have the President announce the THREE members elected to a two-year term on the board.
- In the event of a tie, the election supervisor determines the winner by lot.


## Officers:

- Any officer who has served two consecutive terms in that role is ineligible to continue in that role with the exception of the Treasurer.


## Election of President Nominee:

- The President Nominee shall be chosen from among the six (6) elected or three (3) appointed board members for the new Rotary year, and any members of the club who were elected director in preceding years. Any candidate for President Nominee also must have served as a director for a total of at least two years.
- Within one (1) week following the election of new members of the board, a Presidential Nominating Committee consisting of the incumbent president, the president-elect and five (5) past presidents of the club who are current, active members shall be convened. This committee shall determine all persons who fulfill requirements of paragraph $B(1)$ of this Article and shall determine the person it believes to be most qualified to serve as president. Its determination shall be based on such factors as past participation in Rotary District Conferences and Rotary International Conventions, as well as service performed for the club. The committee shall contact such individuals as may be necessary to ensure that the person nominated will be available and is willing to serve.
- Within the period of three (3) days to two (2) weeks after the second meeting in November, the incumbent president shall call a meeting of the presidential nominating committee for the purpose of nominating a President Nominee. The presence of four (4) of the seven (7) committee members will comprise a quorum. The incumbent president shall act as chairman with power to vote and shall appoint one of the committee members to serve as secretary pro tempore of the meeting. The incumbent president shall present to the committee the name of the person recommended by the selection committee. Other recommendations may be made by any of the committee members present. If more than one (1) candidate is being considered, the vote shall be taken by written ballot.
- At the end of each Rotary year the incumbent president-elect- elect shall become the presidentelect for the next year. Should a vacancy occur in the presidency during a year, the Board of Directors shall appoint a member to serve as the interim president for the remainder of the year. A club president's term can be extended for up to one year when his successor has not been selected.


## Appointed Directors:

- Prior to the second meeting in December, which shall be the annual meeting of the club, the president for the next Rotary year (incumbent president-elect) shall call a meeting of the six (6) new board members for the purpose of approving the appointment of three (3) other directors appointed by the incumbent president-elect for one-year terms. The president-elect shall also appoint individuals to serve as secretary-treasurer (or one as secretary and another as treasurer) and a sergeant-at-arms. Those appointed may or may not be elected members of the new board; if they are not, they shall become ex-officio members of the board and have full voting rights. If elected directors are subsequently appointed to be officers, the incumbent president-elect shall fill those vacancies.


## Annual Meeting:

- The annual meeting of this club shall be held on the second regular meeting in December of each year, at which time the election of directors and officers to serve for the ensuing year beginning July 1 shall take place. The members present will also receive a mid-year financial report with current and previous year income and expenses.

