

## Discussion Questions for PETS

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Complete the following discussion questions using this manual to prepare in advance for the facilitated discussions you will participate in at PETS. Advance study of the *Club President's Manual* (222-EN) and thought regarding these questions will help prepare you for your training and maximize the usefulness of the time spent with district leaders and your fellow presidents-elect at PETS.

### **The Elements of an Effective Club**

What are the elements of an effective club? How do they relate to your role as club president?

### **Roles and Responsibilities of the Club President**

What are the duties of club president?

Who will you work with as part of your club leadership team?

### **Goal Setting**

Why is it important to set goals at the club and district levels?

What are some ways to ensure that a goal is realistic?

What are some strategies that your club can use to ensure that a goal can be achieved?

### **Club Administration**

What should you know about your club's bylaws before taking office?

What are some things you can do to help ensure that your club is financially healthy?

What are some of the events for which club presidents must prepare?

### **Resources**

What resources are available at the club level?

How would you find district leaders who can help you?

What are some useful community resources?

### **Membership: Recruitment, Education, and Retention**

Why is membership important to you as club president?

What are some of the challenges to attracting new members?

What are some key elements in an effective orientation program?

What steps can your club take to retain members? What steps can your club take to attract new members?

What successful strategies have you used in your club that you would like to share with your fellow incoming presidents?

How can you determine and measure how well your club is meeting the needs of its members?

How can you determine and measure the reasons why members have left your club?

### **What Motivates Rotarians?**

What motivates people to be active members of Rotary?

How can participation in local or global community service projects motivate club members?

Why is recognition important?

What activities has your club conducted that have motivated your members?

### **Service Projects**

What are the characteristics of a successful service project?

What steps must be taken to implement a service project?

How are international projects different from other service projects?

Why is it important to perform an evaluation for every club project?

Has your club conducted any successful service projects that may be undertaken in other clubs within the district?

### **The Rotary Foundation**

What is the mission of The Rotary Foundation?

Why is The Rotary Foundation different from other charitable organizations?

What are the Educational Programs of The Rotary Foundation? What is the Humanitarians Grants Program of The Rotary Foundation?

Where can you find out more information on the programs and activities of The Rotary Foundation?

Can you share any strategies to promote The Rotary Foundation (both in program participation and funding) that have worked for your club?