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Minutes of the RWM 2749 held at the Mahendra Smriti Sabhagar RC Dumdum on 09.08.24 at 6.30 pm

ADDRESS:

The meeting was called to order by President **Rtn. Sanjib Roy**, who extended a warm welcome to all members.

BEGINNING:

PP Rtn. Asok Guha led the assembly in the National Anthem, as requested.

CLUB BUSINESS:

The Secretary, **Rtn. Chinmay Roy**, conducted the club business:

a) Extended advance birthday greetings to **PP Rtn. Asok Guha**, whose birthday is on August 14th. Members joined in the celebratory wishes.

b) Announced the receipt of the newsletter "*LIGHT*" from RC Garden Reach.

c) Shared an invitation from the Head Teacher of Wheel Primary School, inviting all RC Dum Dum members to attend the Independence Day program on August 15th at 10:30 AM. Members were encouraged to participate.

d) Treasurer **PP Rtn. Swarnendu Sekhar Saha** reported that 16 members had paid their SAD-1 dues and urged the remaining members to comply.

DISCUSSION:

a) The President announced that the club would celebrate the 78th Independence Day on August 15th at 9 AM at our venue, with the hoisting of the National Flag followed by light refreshments. Members were urged to attend. Members were further requested to join the celebration at Wheel Primary School, as detailed by the Secretary.

b) A reminder was issued for the invited lecture on "Contribution of Indian Scientists before and after Independence of India" by **Dr. Samit Guha**, Assistant Professor, Jadavpur University, scheduled for August 16th at the 2750th RWM.

c) The President reminded an invitation from RC Calcutta for the President and Secretary to attend the Handing Over ceremony of Desktop PCs under the SIKSHA LABH project, on August 17th at 9:30 AM at Rotary *Sadan*.



d) On request, Rtn. Sekhar Chatterjee provided an update on

the *Khudiram* Colony project, noting that the construction of the meter room is expected to be completed soon, weather permitting. He also expressed concerns about potential delays in obtaining land records due to the impending transfer of RR Department officers who were handling the issue.

e) The President announced that a request for two *LIVPURE* water filters had been submitted to the RC Calcutta Welfare Trust, following a proposal from **Rtn. Arindam Roychowdhury** of RC Calcutta.

f) Members discussed organizing an '*Ilish Utsav*' at the club. Based on member suggestions, the President announced that the club would host the on Sunday, September 1st, at 12 PM at our venue, with a contribution of ₹ 750/= per person.



ENDING:

The minutes of RWM 2748 were circulated via email and WhatsApp. The meeting was attended by 10 members, and sunshine was collected through bills. The meeting concluded with the President expressing thanks to all present and reminding them of the next RWM on Friday, August 16th.

Our world leader for the year 2026-27



Sangkoo Yun of the Rotary Club of Sae Hanyang, South Korea, has been selected by the Nomination Committee to serve as Rotary International President in 2026-27. With no opposing candidate, he will be officially declared as President nominee on October 1.

Yun obtained bachelor's and master's degrees from Syracuse University of Architecture, USA, and received an honorary doctorate degree from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. SangKoo is the founder and CEO of Dongsuh Corporation, which designs and markets architectural materials, and is the president of Youngan Corp. , which acts in the financial and real estate investment sector. He is involved in many civic organizations and has a special interest in preserving cultural heritage.

An associate of the Rotary Club of Sae Hanyang since

1987, which he helped found, Yun has already served Rotary as a director, curator, member and committee chairman and RI learning facilitator. For eight years, he was co-chairman of the Keep Mongolia Green project, carried out by Korean Rotary associates. He has served on the following committees of RI: Board of Directors Committee (member 2013-15, Vice-President 2014-15), International Assembly Committee (Vice-President 2020-21) and Eliminate Polio Now: Countdown to History Campaign Committee (regional vice-chair in 2023-27). He also served on the Rotary Foundation Executive Committee (member 2019-22, chairman 2020-21) and on the Programs Committee (member 2019-32, chairman 2020-22).

Yun received the Rotary Foundation Award for Eminent Service in 2021-22. He was appointed an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire by Queen Elizabeth II, received the Medal of Friendship from the President of Mongolia and was recognised for outstanding services by the President and Prime Minister of Korea. He is a veteran of the Republic of Korea Army and elder emeritus of the Andong Presbyterian Church.

Yun and his wife, Eunsun, are benefactors of the Rotary Foundation, extraordinary donors, and members of the Arch Klumph Circle, Paul Harris Circle and the Circle of Giving. And they have 2 sons.



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- Talk to the child
- Prepare the child
- Reassure the child
- Discuss ways to respond
- Encourage to express feelings
- Reach out to adults who can support
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