



The D.C. meeting convened on Sep 24, at 9:00 am MDT, with 74 District leaders present.

1. The meeting opened with the Program Quality Director, PQD Ann Hill, reading the District Mission Statement: “We build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence.”
2. DD, JP Bachmann welcomed the council and recognized all dignitaries.
3. Credential Report, Beth Boaz, DTM, PDG, PID A quorum was achieved. (135 Clubs in good standing with 270 available votes (1 for each Club President and 1 for each Vice President Education. Minimum votes required for quorum 90.) District Officers do not factor in the quorum. 116 Club Officers and 28 District Officer Votes for a total of 144. Simple Majority = 72.
4. Voting Instructions were given by Parliamentarian Linda Rhea, DTM, PDD, PRA
5. Approval of Agenda by JP, DTM, PDD, AM Today’s Agenda: Agenda approved. (First by Jay Ruggeri, #631413 Speak with Ease, seconded by Diane Nuss, Simply Speaking, 677276). Show-of-Hands Vote 59-0
6. Review of DEC Minutes from Apr 30: there were no objections, and the minutes were approved as circulated (Moved by Jay Ruggeri, # 631413, seconded by Jim Dent, S-Speak, 402183). Show-of-Hands vote 63-0.
7. District Finance Report presented by Finance Manager, Diane Nuss, DTM. The district is currently over budget of \$2,500 because of lodging expenses for the Trio at the August International Convention. Current and year-to- date P & L is not available because of an ERP. The district reserve fund is \$124,000.
8. District Director Bachmann thanked and introduced Audit Committee Chair, Tom Marrs, DTM who presented the results of the Year End 2021-22 Audit and thanked the committee, Peggy McIntosh and Ray Mohr and the 2021-22 Finance Mgr., Joseph Vander Linde for his fine work.
  - a. Motion to approve the Audit Committer Findings. (Jay Ruggeri, # 631413, Marcia Wood, DTC Speaks, 727209). No discussion. Show of Hands Vote 68-0.
9. Public Relations Manager, Ben Langley Report- Communications Plan includes increased internal communication and social media and is planning a Podcast for the District. Called for DTMs to participate.
10. Director Bachmann reviewed the Budget and explained that a request for a policy exception to TI has been made. Then explain of the Trio plans to grow the district membership and focus on marketing and to grow new clubs.
  - i. Motion to approve the 2022-23 Budget (Marcia Wood, DTC Speaks; #747209; second from Glenn Wright, Artfully Speaking, #8404). Discussion follows. Vote by Election Runner, results 99-0.
  - ii. Discussion Item: Marcia Wood, DTC Speaks, #747209 inquired regarding the revenue for contests under conference.
  - iii. Discussion Item: Dave Walden, Liberty North, # 1588571 as a new President, inquired about the \$100K+ in the reserves. asked what is the benefit of growing the club and belonging to the larger international organization? What value does the district provide to the club? Ann Hill talked about initiatives for club retention this year.
  - iv. Discussion Item: Victoria Cox, IPDD, Is there a budget for the Area Directors to hold open houses? Response is yes there is a budget for community building events that Ads can apply and participate in.

11. Confirmation of the 2022-23 District Leaders: Motion Jay Ruggeri, Speak with Ease, 631413, seconded by Diane Nuss, FM, Simply Speaking, 677476. Vote by Election Runner, results 82-0.

- a. Public Relations Manager: Ben Langley, IP5
- b. Finance Manager: Diane Nuss, DTM
- c. Administration Manager: Teri McDonald, DTM, PDD
- d. Division Directors: Karen McGrath, Denver Div., AJ Herran Eastern Div., Will Robinson, Urban Div.,
- e. Area Directors:

f. D1 Justin Bowman	F2 Katelynn Pau	N4 Cecilia Kramer
D2 Keith Bailey	F3 Janet Sellers	S2 Zach Taylor
D3 Melody Mack	F4 Revathy	S4 N. Winzenried
D4 James Cline	Sukumaran	U1 T. Hunter-
D5 Steve Holloway	M1 Brad Wolf	Merrill
E3 A. Znidarsic	M2 J. Ladewig	U2 Marcia Wood
E5 R. Constable	M3 C. Walker-	U3 Jim Roth
E6 Mark Snyder	Lopez	U4 M. Myers
F1 Chelsa	M4 Ann Kerr	U5 Ricardo Soto
Newberg	M5 Jason Butts	

## 12. District Officer Reports

- a. Club Growth Director: James Gable, PI3
  - i. We are a team and is strong to build new clubs and support all clubs.
  - ii. 5 potential clubs ready for Kick-off meetings pending dates.
  - iii. 5 more interested in forming.
  - iv. Meredith Myers is working with club coaches.
- b. Program Quality Director: Ann Hill, DTM
  - i. Educational Training 64 % Officers were Trained in the first Round
  - ii. AD training 96% trained.
  - iii. DCP Incentive announced.
  - iv. 13 clubs had 7 officers trained.
  - v. Acknowledged Trainers
- c. Division Director Reports:
  - i. Urban Division Director Will Robinson, DTM reported by Marcia Wood, DTM
    - 1. All clubs have 8 or more members. 3 club visits submitted; Savvy Speakers achieved 5 goals towards DCP.
  - ii. Southern Division Director Jimmy Dent, DTM
    - 1. In need of 2 Area Directors. 47% AD Reports completed. 1 Area is outstanding with all clubs above 20 members. Several New club ideas collected.
  - iii. Northern Division Director Nathan Darnall, PI3
    - 1. Happy to have 1 Area Director and working on plans to advertise Toastmasters on movie screens. Challenges are great opportunities. Many clubs are at or below 8 members or below.
  - iv. Metro Division Director Ruth Prentice, MS5
    - 1. Club visits in progress, losing 3 clubs; CTech Communicators, Denver TechMasters and South Glenn Speakers. She shared an Open House Flyer
  - v. Foothills Division Director Pattie Apple, DL1
    - 1. Need 1 Area Director, need 1 club coach

- vi. Eastern Division Director A.J. Herran, MS5
  - 1. 3 Area Directors on team, acknowledged them. Also Acknowledge Clubs with Renewals in. 6 out of 25 clubs at charter strength or better.
- vii. Denver Division Director Karen McGrath, VC4
  - 1. Successes: 2 clubs have achieved 6 goals for DCP, 4 clubs paid on time. Held a club officer training with 45 attendees. Area Reports for Division 24%
  - 2. Challenges: 12 clubs out of 25 clubs had only had 4 officers trained.
  
- d. District Director's Report and comments: Marketing and Recognition discussed earlier. Smedley Distinguished is the district goal. The district has not been Distinguished in 7 program years. Unable to give you the Incentives to because the store is down, and it would be irresponsible to offer rewards from the store at this time. Offered to Council a new logo (share) to be tattooed to his body if the district reaches Smedley Distinguished.

13. New Business Requested: None

14. Meeting adjourned at **10:56 am**

Meeting minutes submitted by:

Teri McDonald, DTM

Admin Manager, District 26

Approved.

JP Bachmann

District Director, District 26

Distribution: DEC Members