

MINUTES – MAY 14, 2022 DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING

Call to Order	District Director Heather Perkins, DTM, PDG, PRA, called the meeting to order at 12:46 PM ET.
Inspirational Opening	Lorelei Grecian, CC, CL, IP5, PI4, Area 3 Director, delivered the inspirational opening and shared her insights on two quotations from Ralph Smedley: <i>“The unprepared speaker has a right to be afraid”</i> and <i>“Ours is the only organization I know dedicated to the individual. We work together to bring out the best in each of us and then we apply these skills to help others.”</i>
Reading of District Mission Statement	Brian Richards, DTM, Area 25 Director, delivered the District Mission statement.: <i>“We build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence.”</i>
Welcome and Opening remarks	District Director Heather Perkins, DTM, PDG, PRA, provided welcome and introductory remarks.
Credentials Committee Report	Michael Thompson, DTM, Credentials Chair, stated that, with 83 paid clubs, the number of potential club votes is 166 (for Presidents and VPEs). Quorum requires 56 members. We received 67 club ballots and 28 DEC ballots. The total number of potential votes is 95, and quorum has been reached.
Administration Manager’s Report	District Director Heather Perkins, DTM, PDG, PRA, asked if there were any errors or additions to the minutes from the previous District Conference that was held on September 18, 2021. Hearing none, the minutes were approved as posted.
Confirmation of Appointed Officers	District Director Heather Perkins, DTM, PDG, PRA, stated that Jonathan Bohm, DTM PDD, was appointed Club Growth Director in the 2021 - 2022 year. She entertained a motion to accept the appointment. It was moved by Maureen VPE of Speech Afire Advanced Toastmasters MacIntosh, DTM and seconded by District Leader Committee Chair Candice Buell, DTM, PDG. The motion was passed.
Realignment Report	Club Growth Director Jonathan Bohm, DTM, PDD, presented the Alignment Report which is enclosed on pages 5 to 9 of the Annual DC Meeting Report.

<p>Realignment Report (Continued)</p>	<p>Jonathan moved that the proposed realignment for Divisions A and G be approved as per the posted Realignment Report. District Director Heather Perkins, DTM, PDG, PRA advised that the motion does not need a seconder. Motion carried. Jonathan moved that the proposed realignment for Division B be approved as per the posted Realignment Report. District Director Heather Perkins, DTM, PDG, PRA advised that the motion does not need a seconder. Motion carried.</p> <p>Jonathan moved that the proposed realignment for Divisions C and E, including the dissolution of Division E, be approved as per the posted Realignment Report. Division 11 Director Andrea Jeffs, IP4, DL3, moved an amendment to the motion that the proposed realignment for Divisions C and E, including the dissolution of Division E, be approved except that East Coast Online Advanced Toastmasters 7800586 be removed from its new placement in Division C, Area 4, and be moved back to its charter placement in Division D, Area 11. Seconded by Erin McMenemy, DTM, VPE of East Coast Online Advanced Toastmasters 7800586. Hearing no objections, Heather advised the amendment was carried. The amended motion was then carried.</p> <p>Jonathan moved that the proposed realignment of Division D indicated on page 9 of the Annual DC Report be approved with the inclusion of East Coast Online Advanced Toastmasters in Area 11. Seconded by Paul Coddington, DTM, President of Mt. Washington Valley Toastmasters 3596556. Heather declared that the motion be carried.</p>
<p>District Leader Committee Report</p>	<p>Candice Buell, DTM, PDG, shared highlights of the District Leader Committee Report which is found on pages 10 to 13 of the Annual DC Report.</p>

<p>Election of 2022 – 2023 District Officers</p>	<p>The nominees of District Officers for the 2022 – 2023 are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Director: Crystal Cobb, CC, CL, EC5, PI5, DL5 • Program Quality Director: Tom Macisso, MS5, SR5 • Club Growth Director: Paul Coddington, DTM • Public Relations Manager: Vacant • Division A Director: Rogowsky, CC, ALB, MS1, VC4 • Director B Director: Vacant • Division C Director: Antoine LeGresley, IP4 • Division D Director: Michael Lawlor, ACB, ALB, MS5, TC5 • Division G Director: Susanne Melling, DTM <p>District Director Heather Perkins, DTM, PDG, PRA, declared that, with the exception of PRM, there could be no floor candidates. Since all other candidates were unopposed, the Administration Manager, Albert Cormier, MS5, EH5, PM2, SR1, was instructed to cast one ballot in favor of each of these candidates.</p> <p>Nominations were called for from the floor for the vacant position of Public Relations Manager. Casey Jenkins, DTM, VPE of Portsmouth Toastmasters 1094, nominated Lesley Carter, IP2, VPE of Dartmouth TIC Talkers Toastmasters Club 3119. The motion was seconded by Division G Director Tom Goodwin, DTM, PDD. No other nominations were given from the floor. Heather instructed the Administration Manager, Albert, to cast one vote in favor of Lesley Carter.</p> <p>Lesley Carter, CC, ALB, MS1, IP2, is our elected candidate for Public Relations Manager for the 2022 – 2023 year.</p>
<p>Report of 2021 – 2022 Audit Committee</p>	<p>District Director Heather Perkins, DTM, PDG, PRA, shared highlights of the 2021 – 2022 Audit Committee Report included on page 14 of the Annual DC Report.</p> <p>Finance Manager, Ken Hubley, IP4, PI1, made a motion to adopt the Audit Committee Report. Motion was carried.</p>
<p>Finance Manager Report</p>	<p>Finance Manager Ken Hubley, IP4, PI1, presented a report on the state of our finances as of the end of the third quarter. This report and its highlights are on pages 15 and 16 of the Annual DC Report.</p>

Division Director Reports	<p>Each of the six Division Directors listed below presented a two-minute report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suzanne Weiss, ACB, CL, LD3, DL1, Division D Director • Kelley Demers, DTM, Division A Director • Jim Kokocki, DTM, PIP, Division C Director • Tom Goodwin, DTM, PDD, Division G Director • Madhu Kanji, DTM, Division E Director • Tom Macisso, MS5, SR5, Division B Director
Senior District Leader Reports	<p>The following SLT members delivered a two-minute report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anne Doucette, ALB, ACB, DL5, MS5, IP5, LD5, Public Relations Manager • Jonathan Bohm, DTM, PDD, Club Growth Director • Crystal Cobb, CC, CL, EC5, PI5, DL5, Program Quality Director • Heather Perkins, DTM, PDG, PRA, District Director
Unfinished Business	None
New Business	None
Announcements	District Director Heather Perkins, DTM, PDG, PRA, stated that there was still time to put in a guess to identify the Mystery Guest who will be unveiled tonight. All ten clues are on the District 45 website.
Date of Next DC Meeting	The meeting will be held online sometime in September as it needs to be held by September 30.
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 1:45 ET.
Minutes Recorded	Minutes recorded by: Administration Manager Albert Cormier, MS5, EH5, PM2, SR1.