

## **District 6 Toastmasters District Council Meeting Minutes**

October 25, 2008

District Governor Joan Watson called the meeting to order at 2:00 and welcomed everyone.

Inspirational Opening was given by Rosie Fosseen, DTM

District Secretary, Sarah Bateman, DTM read the District Mission.

Orapat Sivatanpisit, DTM explained the Parliamentary rules and procedures, and her responsibilities as District Parliamentarian.

The Agenda for the business meeting was adopted as presented was motioned and passed.

The minutes of the previous District Business meeting (date) has been posted as required. Motion to correct spelling of Joan Watson's name was seconded and passed. Minutes with name correction motioned and passed.

Sally Muraski, DTM gave the Credentials Report. Based on the most current information posted on the Toastmasters International Website, District 6 has 275 active clubs or 550 eligible votes. Sally reported that we have 146 votes registered. We need 180 votes in order to conduct business. There was no quorum.

### **Auditors Report:**

Ken Nelson, DTM presented the Audit Report. The 2008 –2009 Audit was completed and immediately submitted to Toastmasters International. All documentation was in order as expected. A motion was made and supported to adopt the Audit. No further discussions or questions. Motion was carried.

### **District Budget Report:**

Duane Rivard, DTM presented the District Budget for the upcoming year July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. Due at WHQ by September 30, 2008.

1. Funds Available:

a. Beginning Balances

i. Bank Account as of July 1, 2008	\$50,114.91
ii. District Reserve Account at WHQ – July 1, 2008	\$18,779.56
iii. Total Beginning Balance	\$68,894.47
iv. Total Membership Income (from WHQ)	\$65,888.94
v. Total Estimated Funds Available	\$137,131.65

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| 2. Expenses:  |             |
| a. Total Expenses                                   | \$67,500.00 |
| 3. Estimated funds available to next Administration | \$68,431.65 |

**Treasurer's Report:**

The Financial report has been posted in the lobby throughout the Conference.  
Treasurer's report was moved and seconded. Motion carried.

**Officers Reports:**

**District Governor –Joan Watson, DTM**  
**Critical Success Factors – The Distinguished District Plan**

Planning and Training

- 85% of all Division and Area Governors trained by September 30<sup>th</sup>
- Complete District Success Plan Matrix by September 30<sup>th</sup> (submitted)

Membership Growth

- District membership payments must grow by 2% or more from previous year
- 2007 –2008: 10,502 paid members
- 2008 – 2009: 10,736 paid members
  - 40% of goal accomplished so far this year - 4325 paid members

Club Growth

- The District must have a new growth of at least 3%
- 2007 – 2008: 275 clubs
- 2008 – 2009: 283 clubs      paid 248
- 2 new clubs in 3 clubs submitted application

Competent Communicator

- Number of CC's awarded must equal or exceed 3.5% of district membership payments
- 2007 – 2008: 342
- 2008 – 2009: 368      97 awarded - 26% of goal

Advanced Communicator

- Number of AC's awarded must equal or exceed 1% of the district's membership payments for the previous year
- 2007 – 2008: 97
- 2008 – 2009: 105      42 awarded – 40% of goal

## **Division Governor Reports:**

Randy Haukom, ACS, Central Division Governor

- Great team of area governors who have participated in three council meetings, district leadership trainings and have led numerous officer training sessions
- 28 of 29 club visits have been completed
- 126 club officers were trained in the first round of officer training
- 10 clubs achieved Magnificent 7 – that's 1 out of every 3 clubs
- 1 Competent Leader has been submitted
- 7 Advanced Leaders have been completed
- 8 Advanced Communicators thus far and climbing even higher
- 9 Competent Communicators have been submitted and documented by Toastmaster International
- 50 new members with Area 2 supplying 20 of those
- Current base of 445 paid members, all working toward becoming better communicators, leaders and citizens of this great district.

Gretchen Coons, DTM, Eastern Division Governor

- 11 Competent Communicators on the books
- 5 Advanced Communicators
- 4 Competent Leaders
- 3 Advanced Leader Bronze
- 140 officers trained
- 6 Magnificent 7 Clubs
- 29 club visits have already occurred
- New club, Escalate, chartered in September
- Flying Toasters have sent in their application to charter
- Golden Rule needs 3 more members to charter
- Area Governors helped all this happen and are fulfilling our dreams. Together they make an awesome team.

Lisa Kennedy, ACS, Frontier Division Governor

- 18 clubs had a minimum of 4 officers trained
- Our members earned 25 educational and leadership designations
- 16 Competent Communicators
- 1 Advanced Leader
- 1 Distinguished Toastmaster

- Our focus over the next several months will be on club building and membership.

Melissa D'Aloia, ACS, International Division Governor

- Has an awesome team of area governors working hard to fulfill goals

Kent Hawks, AMTB, Metro Division Governor

- Metro Division is coming on strong, having a successful contest season.
- More than 140 officers trained in 28 clubs
- 22 clubs had 4 or more officers trained
- 9 clubs qualified for Magnificent 7
- 14 communication awards and 7 leadership awards
- 1 Distinguished Toastmaster
- 3 clubs have added 5 new members
- 2 new clubs and prospecting 6 more by end of the Toastmaster Year

Elizabeth Montgomery, CC, Northern Division Governor

- Division Theme – The eagle, remarkable for clear vision, extraordinary soaring flight, courage and grace. We are charged to develop the 'eagle' in each one of us in Northern Division.
- 81%, 26 clubs had 4 or more officers trained
- 34% of club achieved the Magnificent 7
- 6 Competent Leader or Advanced Leader awards on the books
- 8 Competent Communicators
- 2 Advanced Communicators

Mark Ziegler, ACG, Prairie Division Governor

- 4 Magnificent 7 clubs
- 4 Competent Communicators
- 2 Advanced Communicators
- 3 Advanced Leaders
- 2 clubs close to chartering
- 1 demo meeting at the St. Cloud V.A.

Michael Casey, DTM, Rivers Division Governor

- Area governors are working hard to fulfill their goals

Al Risberg, DTM, Southern Division Governor

- Working hard on achieving personal and club goals
- Club officers and Area Governors are becoming more comfortable with their roles
- Club presidents have been encouraged to visit each other's clubs

- Division contest had over 65 in attendance
- Area Governors are in the process of finishing their club visits.

Dru Jorgensen, CC, Western Division Governor

- Dreams come true for Western Division
- 34 clubs with 529 members of which 79 are new members
- 150 club officers trained
- 4 Magnificent 7 clubs
- Area 91 secured a proclamation from the City of Plymouth to declare October as Toastmaster Month
- 11 Competent Communicators
- 8 Advanced Communicators
- 5 Distinguished Toastmasters
- Western Division is all about our clubs

**New Business:**

Since a was not a quorum an International Director Candidate was not endorsed. Mary Swanson and Theo Black gave their campaign speeches instead.

**Announcements:**

Regional IV Conference: June 5-6, 2009 in Winnipeg

International Conference: August 12-15, 2009

Next meeting: April 25, 2009 at Holiday Inn Select, Bloomington

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Bateman, DTM  
District 6 Secretary