

Minutes of the District 6 Business Meeting

October 28, 2006

Country Inn - St Paul East

Woodbury, MN

District Governor Jeannette Bauch, DTM called the meeting to order at 3:00PM.

An inspirational opening was delivered by JoJo Williams, ATMG.

District Secretary Brian Hinton, DTM read the District Mission.

District Governor Jeannette Bauch, DTM welcomed everyone.

The only change to the printed meeting agenda was the start time as it had incorrectly been listed as 2:30PM. The agenda was adopted as amended.

Minutes have been posted at the registration table throughout the conference. No corrections to the minutes were noted. The minutes were approved as posted.

District Governor Jeannette Bauch, DTM accepted the Confirmation of Appointed District Officers report.

George Deliduka, DTM delivered the Audit Committee report.

Auditors Report:

The 2005-2006 Audit was completed and sent to Toastmasters International. All documentation was in order. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the audit. No questions were raised. The vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the Adoption of the District Budget. The budget was accepted.

District Treasurer George Kane, DTM remarked that the Treasurer's report has been posted at the registration table throughout the conference. The report was received.

A motion was presented to approve the report as posted. The motion was seconded and passed.

District Officer Reports:

District Governor Jeannette Bauch, DTM presented the District Report as follows:

- 2006-2007 District Goals – “Beat Theo”
 1. 10 Presidents Distinguished Divisions
 2. Every Club a Distinguished Club
 3. Meeting the needs of Every Member



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- 6 Factors
 1. District Success Plan (Complete)
 2. Area and Division Governors Trained (Complete)
 3. Clubs – new clubs
 4. Memberships – new members
 5. CCs
 6. ACs

- Clubs
 1. Base = 263
 2. Goal = 270
 3. Net Gain of 7 Clubs

- Membership Payments
 1. Base = 9515
 2. Goal = 9709
 3. 2% Over Last Year

- Competent Communicators
 1. Goal = 333
 2. 3.5% of Base Membership

- Advanced Communicators
 1. Goal = 95
 2. 1% of Base Membership

- Critical Success Factors – 2006-2007 Focus and Strategy
 1. Build a minimum of 20 clubs
 - A. 10 New Clubs by 12/31/06
 - B. 10 Additional clubs between 1/1/07 and 6/30/07
 2. Membership Building Through Public Relations
 3. Educational Achievements By Focusing on Club Officer Training

Lieutenant Governor of Education and Training Pat Croal, DTM presented her report as follows:

- CCs
 1. Actual = 88
 2. Goal = 333
 3. % of Goal = 26%



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- ACs
 1. Actual = 40
 2. Goal = 95
 3. % of Goal = 42%

- Officers Trained – Round One
 1. President: 204 78%
 2. VP Education: 180 68%
 3. VP Membership: 171 65%
 4. VP Public Relations: 157 60%
 5. Secretary: 157 60%
 6. Treasurer: 148 56%
 7. Sgt. At Arms: 136 52%

- 8. Total Trained: 1153
- 9. Last Year: 1141

- 10. 61 Clubs with all 7 officers trained

Magnificent 7 Award Winner: Postal Toasters – Rivers Division

Lieutenant Governor of Marketing Joan Watson, DTM presented her report as follows:

- 4 New Clubs
 1. Southwest Says It Best, # 945948, Edina, Chartered – 9/1/2006
 2. StageCoach Speakers Eden-Prairie, # 948995, Eden Prairie, Chartered – 9/26/2006
 3. Speaking Naturally, Club # 965881, Blaine, Chartered – 10/12/2006
 4. McKToast, # 967597, Roseville, Chartered – 10/26/2006

- Ralph Smedley Award Winners were not in as of the Conference date. Requirements are 5 new club members during August & September. Winning clubs were transferred from the District website:

Club No.	Div.	Area	Club Name	New Members Aug. - Sept.
4316	C	4	Talking Heads	5
1523	I	31	Duluth	5
6553	M	41	Word Merchants	6
5126	R	72	Eloquent Nooners	8
3670	R	74	Voice of Leadership	5
8582	R	74	Westerly Winds	5



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- Club Coaches Appointed Since July 1, 2006
 1. Southern Division, Area 83 – Valley Voices Club, Coach – Sarah Schuck
 2. Frontier Division, Area 24 – Midland Club, Coach – Ruth Ann Castle
 3. Metro Division, Area 46 – Thresher Squares Toastmasters Club, Coach – Earl W. Roethke

- Dues Follow-Up
 1. Division Governors are following up with clubs having outstanding dues.
 2. Approximately 94% of the club dues are in.

- Club Prospects
Several club prospects in process.

- Goals
 1. Charter 2 clubs per month
 2. 20+ clubs
 3. Distinguished District by June 30, 2007

Public Relations Officer Keith Hardy, DTM presented the Public Relations report:

- Marketing Survey at Minnesota State Fair – 150 completed survey. Thanks go to Kay Slama and Gayle Bryant for creating it!
- Press releases – Announced our 12th place finish as a Select Distinguished District, new Toastmasters Clubs, and other events. Thanks go to Chris Solberg and Jessie Babcock!
- Laid groundwork for all clubs to have a web page on the District 6 website. Thanks to Andy Schlack for taking the lead!
- Flyer service offered. Several flyers created to help Area, Division, and District officers. Thanks to Brian Hinton for his work with these!
- Proclamations – Received more than 30 from clubs in the District. They were on display at the conference. Thanks to Terri Kasel for her work with this effort!
- A Toastmasters Information Table will be at the Minnesota Private Colleges 30th Annual Job & Internship Fair 2007 on Feb 20-21 at the Hilton Hotel in downtown Minneapolis. Look for details.
- Working on offering clubs assistance with guest packets and newsletters for Toastmasters Month. Thanks to David Goldsworthy and Alexis Todd for their work in these areas!
- District Public Relations Officer Keith Hardy, DTM requested everyone to enter their testimonials on the PRO page of the District website.



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Division Governors presented their reports as follows:

- Central Division Governor – Kathy Neumiller, ACS
- Eastern Division Governor – Waheed Ayinde, ATMB
- Frontier Division Governor – Joe Brabeck, ACS
- International Division Governor – Lyndah Korpela, ATMB
- Metro Division Governor – Craig Ostrem, DTM
- Northern Division Governor – Georgia Thometz, ATMG
- Prairie Division Governor – Bret Jenkin, ATMB
- Rivers Division Governor – Cathy Sever, ATMB
- Southern Division Governor – Terry Ragan, DTM
- Western Division Governor – Elke Stephan, ATMB

Other Reports:

Immediate Past District Theo Black, DTM presented the District Guidelines report. The report was approved as posted.

Immediate Past District Theo Black, DTM presented a report of the committee findings of the Conference Cost Monitoring Committee report.

Bill Johnson made a motion to change the wording in the Committee Recommendations for Reducing Convention Costs. The motion requested that the wording in the The Opportunity Statement be changed from "the cost of the conventions and conferences is perceived to be too high" to "the cost of the conventions and conferences is considered to be too high". The motion was seconded and approved.

The report was accepted as amended.

Immediate Past District Governor Theo Black, DTM then presented the committee findings and recommendations:

- The best opportunity for reducing event costs is to solicit donations. The committee recommends that the District focus more resources on donation solicitation.
- The committee recommends that economical packages for non-Toastmaster spouses/guests be provided.
- The committee recommends that an ongoing survey be conducted to determine District Member opinions of District Event value and costs.



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A motion was made to have the committee continue to look into ways for these recommendations to be implemented. The motion was seconded and approved.

The Conference Cost Monitoring Committee established last year will continue its efforts to manage Convention costs. Immediate Past District Governor Theo Black, DTM was appointed to chair the committee.

District Governor Jeanette Bauch, DTM called for new business from the floor. New business was as follows:

A discussion arose about where and when reports would be posted. There was discussion about posting the reports and notification to the District about how to better access them. Presently, the reports are posted near the registration table at District conferences. No motion was made to change the posting of the reports at this time.

The following announcements were presented:

- The following Toastmasters declared their candidacy for office:
 1. Region IV International Director: Judy Southwick, DTM
 2. District Governor: Pat Croal, DTM
 3. Lt. Governor Education & Training: Joan Watson, DTM
 4. Lt. Governor of Marketing: Joan Estenson, ATMS
 5. Central Division Governor: Arlene Gallegos, CTM
 6. International Division Governor: Stephen Shaner, DTM
 7. Rivers Division Governor: Linda Larson, DTM

No other candidacies were declared.

- TELI – February 17th, 2006 – “Jump In!” – Double Tree Hotel Park Place, St. Louis Park, MN. Lance Miller, DTM will be the guest speaker – “Building a Championship Club” – Chairperson – Pat Croal, DTM.
- District 6 Spring Convention – April 27th-28th, 2007 – “Oh, The Places You’ll Go” – Holiday Inn Select, Bloomington, MN – Co-Chairs – Linda Westrom, DTM & Mark Forsberg, ATMB.
- 2007 Region IV Conference – June 21st-23rd, 2007 – Cornhusker Marriott – Lincoln, NE – announced by International Director Cliff Heinsch, DTM.
- 2007 Toastmasters International Conference – August 21st-23rd, 2007 – Phoenix AZ – announced by International Director Cliff Heinsch, DTM.

The next District 6 Business Meeting will be April 28th, 2007.



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District Governor Jeannette Bauch, DTM adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:00PM.

Respectively Submitted,



Brian Hinton, DTM
2006-2007 District 6 Secretary
December 30, 2006

