



Minutes

District 59 Council Meeting

Sunday, 30th September 2018, Online

I. Opening

A. Call to Order

At 10:00 pm, Siegfried Haack District Director, called the meeting to order.

B. District Mission

Manie Conradie, Administration Manager, read the District's Mission:

"We built new clubs and support clubs in achieving excellence."

C. Parliamentary Procedure

Marika Dijksterhuis, Parliamentarian, explained the parliamentarian procedure according to Robert Rules of Order for this business meeting.

The voting system to be used will be Ballotbin. As a test to get to know the system, and as an attendance registry a first 'vote' was held.

D. Certification of Quorum

Manie Conradie, Administration Manager, informed that a quorum for any District Council Meeting is one third of all Club Presidents and Vice Presidents Education from clubs in the district or their proxies, as outlined in the district bylaws. However, proxies are not valid for an online meeting such as this.

According to Manie, our district has 115 eligible clubs. Therefore, a quorum is reached by having 77 officers attending the meeting. According to the registry vote, 66 voters were present. Therefore, a quorum was not reached.

E. Adoption of the Agenda

Siegfried, informed about the changes to the agenda that has been sent out. Pascal Vilarem, moved to adopt the agenda with the changes mentioned. The motion was seconded and carried by no objection.

F. Past minutes

The minutes of the previous District Council Meeting was distributed in advance.

Siegfried explained that the previous minutes reflects the 'old' district. Since the 1st of July, Toastmasters in Europe was reformed, and reflects a new start.

There was no vote to approve the minutes as it was not necessary as explained.

II. Current Business

A. District success plan

The district success plan was presented by Siegfried. It was followed by Colleen Shaughnessy-Larsson (Program Quality Director), Robert van der Meer (Club Growth Director), Helena Ruiz-Fabra (Public Relations Manager), and Frank Cremer (Finance Manager).

Each presented their own portfolio and part of the district success plan.

B. Presentation of the budget

Frank Cremer, presented the district budget as prepared, and approved by the district executive council.

After some questions were answered, a motion to approve the minutes was proposed by and seconded.

C. TI Annual business meeting

Robert van der Meer, reported on the annual business meeting in Chicago.

D. District Leadership Committee Presentation

Marike explains to the assembly what the role and purpose of the DLC is.

E. District Leadership Positions

Siegfried informs the assembly that the following district leadership positions exist, other than the ones described in the district bylaws. The other positions are

- District Leadership Committee members
- Alignment Chair
- Audit Committee Members
- IT Manager

F. Spring conference in Marseille

Colleen updated the assembly on the District 59 spring conference. The date is fixed 10-12 May 2019.

It was also announced that the following competitions will be held during the conference:

1. International Speech Contest (English)
2. English Evaluation Contest
3. Dutch Speech Contest
4. Dutch Evaluation Contest
5. French Speech Contest
6. French Evaluation Contest

III. New Business

No new business were announced.

As there were no quorum present, the vote on the budget will be held online within the next two weeks.

Bill Monsour asked that the minutes reflect that this meeting was not duly notified to the delegate 4 weeks in advance and the agenda and supporting documents were not provided 2 weeks in advance

IV. Adjournment

Siegfried adjourned the meeting at 12:15. The assembly were informed that the next District Council Meeting will take place in May 2019.

The place and time of the next meeting will be announced at a later date.

All presentations are accessible via <https://goo.gl/MdYC7c>