



Mr. Gaurav Shekhar, DTM
District 50 District Director

Dear Mr. District Director:

In order to ensure successful district elections, the district director must appoint a district leadership committee. The work of the committee is critical in ensuring long-term district success. They must (1) seek out prospective candidates; (2) evaluate and interview candidates; (3) nominate candidates; and (4) provide a complete report of candidates.

The committee nominates candidates for district office and screens candidates for eligibility.

Each committee member must be a member in good standing of a club in good standing and shall be selected from different divisions. Each division should be represented on the committee.

The 2020 District Leadership Committee (DLC) is as follows:

- Eastern – Susie De la Guardia, DTM
- Frontier – Eric Wardle, PII
- Metro – Tammy Williams, DTM
- Plains – Venkat Namburi, DTM
- Southern – Jacque Lacy, DTM
- Town North – Alan Balthrop, DTM
- Vista – Derrich Phillips, ACB, ALB
- Chair – Monnica Rose, DTM, PRA

The Committee Chair wishes to thank you all for your service and dedication in your role on the committee.

To avoid the appearance of bias or impropriety, committee members having a personal or professional relationship with a particular candidate must abstain from the discussion and voting, as a matter of good judgment.

Committee Deliberations

The committee may ask to meet personally with candidates. Committee deliberations are confidential and cannot be divulged to anyone except the district director, World Headquarters, and the Board of Directors. Each candidate shall be evaluated using Candidate Evaluation and District Officer Competencies documents.

Nomination Eligibility

The committee must verify that candidates meet eligibility requirements. No prospective candidate can be nominated until:

- At the time of taking office, each applicant has met the service and leadership requirements.
- The committee has determined that the candidate understands the duties and responsibilities of office, is committed to fulfilling those duties and responsibilities, and has the skills and abilities necessary to perform successfully as an officer.
- The committee has determined that the candidate will accept the nomination, although the candidate has the right to withdraw his/her name from nomination at the district S annual business meeting.
- The committee has received a copy of the Officer Agreement and Release Statement signed by the candidate. To be nominated or elected, all candidates for district director, program quality director, club growth director, and division director must sign the [Officer Agreement and Release Form](#) published by Toastmasters International.

Committee Voting Process

All members of the committee have an equal opportunity to express their concerns and opinions in the selection of candidates. The DLC chair is a non-voting member of the committee and does not attempt to influence the other members of the committee. Committee members must exercise their independent judgments with respect to all prospective candidates, having in mind the best interests of Toastmasters International and the district, as well as the experience, abilities and qualifications of prospective candidates.

Nominating Process

The committee nominates a minimum of one candidate for each of the offices of district director and program quality director; two or more candidates for the office of club growth director and a minimum of one for all other elective district offices.

Committee Report

The committee is pleased to nominate the following candidates for the 2020-2021 Toastmasters Year:

District Director	- Monica Dirden, DTM
Program Quality Director	- Hitesh Bhalala, DTM
Program Quality Director	- Walter Price, DTM
Club Growth Director	- Kevin Green, DTM
Club Growth Director	- Kristy Pedersen, DTM
Eastern Division Director	- Kim Hoang, ACB, ALB
Frontier Division Director	- Susan Thomas, DTM
Metro Division Director	- Manny Garcia, DTM
Plains Division Director	- Stephanie Wolters, DTM
Plains Division Director	- Christopher Williams, DTM
Southern Division Director	- Dominique Gloster, ACS, ALS
Town North Division Director	- Stu Presley, DTM
Vista Division Director	- Matt Carruth, DTM

This concludes our report.

Mr. District Director