



District 50 Annual Council Business Meeting – MINUTES

April 28, 2022 6PM

Hosting Zoom Meeting, District Director, Distinguished Toastmaster, DaWane Wanek, opened the District 50 Toastmasters Annual Business meeting at 5:30PM on April 28, 2022. with a Zoom meeting. Only the [District Council](#) and those speaking (see [agenda](#)) are on the Zoom call. All other District Members are viewing the Business Meeting via a live feed.

- I. 6:04PM District Director, Distinguished Toastmaster, DaWane Wanek, called the meeting officially to order. and went through the general rules of the meeting and lead the District Mission.
- II. 6:05PM Agenda was presented and approved -
 - a. [Link to Agenda](#)
 - b. [Link to Presentation Materials](#)
- III. 6:07PM Reviewed voting rules of the meeting
- IV. 6:08PM Credentials report was presented by credentials chair, Monica Dirden, DTM. 131 Active Clubs
 - a. 40 Votes from District Officers
 - b. 262 Possible Votes
 - c. Need 111 to reach Quorum
 - d. Have not reached Quorum yet
 - e. DaWane Wanek asked if there were any questions, the credentials report was accepted with no objections.
- V. 6:10PM - Minutes presented as sent out in advance of the meeting via [email](#). DaWane Wanek, District Director, DTM, asked if there were any questions then if there were any objections to not reading of the minutes. Then asked if there were any amendments, with none and no objections, the meeting minutes were accepted.
- VI. 6:11PM - Audit report delivered by Distinguished Toastmaster, Jen Hoch, Audit Chair
 - a. [Link to Report](#)
 - b. Distinguished Toastmaster, Manuel Garcia, Club Growth Director, President, The Evaluators, #3761504 - asked what date the mid-year audit ended. Jen Hoch, Audit Chair, confirmed it was 12/31/21.
 - c. Distinguished Toastmaster DaWane Wanek, District Director, asked if there were any more questions, then asked if there were any amendments, the audit was accepted and the topic was closed.
- VII. 6:15PM - Finance report delivered by Finance Manager, Motivational Strategies 4 Jose Zurita, Finance Manager
 - a. [Link to Report](#)

- VIII. 6:20PM Alignment Chair, Louis Burns, DTM presented the [Club Alignment Report](#) for 2022-2023. This report was to meet TI Compliance and to balance the area and divisions geographically.
- Q - Will suspended clubs drop off? David Adams, VC4, President, PMI Dallas
A - Yes, Officially suspended clubs were not included and the others were spread out so they would not impact Areas/Divisions.
- a. DaWane Wanek, District Director, asked if there were any other questions, asked if there were any objections, then explained the alignments are on the ballot and move to the next agenda item.
- IX. .DaWane Wanek, District Director, stepped in for District Leadership Committee Chair, Gaurav Shekhar, and asked Monica Dirden to present the DLC nominated candidates.
- X. 6:28PM - Monica Dirden, DTM, in place of Gaurav Shekar, District Leadership Committee Chair, presented the District 50, 2022 - 2023 slate of nominated candidates.
- a. [District Nominees](#)
b. Monica confirmed that quorum had been reached at 114
c. The [Leadership Committee Members for the 2021-2022](#)
d. DaWane Wanek, District Director, asked if there were any further nominations from the floor.
e. No nominations from the floor
- XI. 6:31PM District Elections DaWane Wanek, District Director, explained the election process. The ballots were emailed out to the District Council immediately following the Candidate Showcase the evening prior, April 27, 2022 to all members of the District Council as stated in the beginning of the meeting.
- a. Offices of the Division Director, Program Quality Director and District Director required no vote since there were no opposing candidates.
- i. Cindy Vogel, DTM, VPE, Pepsico Presenters, #1165752 made a motion to elect the uncontested candidates
ii. Steve Crews, DTM, President, Leadership Lambda, # 8631, second the motion
- Q. How is the 7th Division Director going to be handled (Vista)? Hank Chavers, DTM, Town North Division Director. A- Denise Castille withdrew from the race last night.
- b. DaWane Wanek, District Director asked Administration Manager, Leslie Gibeault, to cast the vote for all uncontested candidates.
c. DaWane Wanek, District Director, explained the contested Candidates for Club Growth Director will have 2 minutes to deliver a speech, if desired.
- XII. 6:35 PM Kellie McMaster, Distinguished Toastmaster, gave her speech
- XIII. 6:36PM Susan Thomas, Distinguished Toastmaster, gave her speech
- XIV. 6:37PM DaWane Wanek reminded District Council to cast their vote and that he will give them 5 minutes since we have already reached quorum.
- XV. 6:38PM Distinguished Toastmaster, Susan Thomas, PR Manager, provided the PR Manager Report

Q- What about those who couldn't attend the meeting if you close it in 5 minutes since the email says you are giving them until 8PM tonight? A- We opened the voting last night via email to give those time to vote. The Parliamentarian, Bob Beideck, Distinguished Toastmaster, weighed in as well, he said that if we reach a quorum, we can close down the voting afterwards.

XVI. 6:43PM Distinguished Toastmaster, Manuel Garcia, Club Growth Director, provided the Club Growth Report

Q-How is the quorum 111 if there are only 64 showing in the online Zoom room? Nimi Iyalla-Ipaye, DTM, President, Preston Persuaders, #5569 A-The email was sent last night to all the District Council so people have already voted.

Q-Is there going to be a vote for Vista if Denise vacated, who will replace her? Don't we get to vote for someone? Nimi Iyalla-Ipaye, DTM, President, Preston Persuaders, #5569 A-The email was sent last night to all the District Council so people have already voted. A-Vista is being eliminated, it was the last Division added so it is the one we are eliminating.

Q- Can I finish my report, I was promised 5 minutes but was only given 2? Distinguished Toastmaster, Manuel Garcia, Club Growth Director, President, The Evaluators, #3761504 A- He was informed that all speakers were advised of the time limitation of 2 minutes. The agenda reflected 5 minutes in an effort to spread out the time to cover the 3 hours the meeting was allotted for, as per the email guidance.

XVII. 6:48PM Distinguished Toastmaster, Kristy Pedersen, Program Quality Director, provided the Program Quality Report

XVIII. 6:50PM Distinguished Toastmaster, DaWane Wanek, District Director, closed out the vote officially and announced that the alignments were approved, the mid-year audit was approved and that the new incoming 2022-2023 Club Growth Director elect is Kellie McMaster.

a. Link to [Results](#)

XIX. 6:52PM Distinguished Toastmaster, DaWane Wanek, District Director, provided the District Director Report

XX. 6:54PM Leslie Gibeault, Admin Manager, provided the Admin Report

XXI. 6:56PM Kimberly Richards, Chief of Staff, provided the CoS Report

XXII. 6:58PM David Dunn, Chief Technology Officer, provided the CTO Report

XXIII. 6:59PM Distinguished Toastmaster, Kellie McMaster, Eastern Division Director, provided the Eastern Division Director Report

XXIV. 7:01PM Distinguished Toastmaster, Wally Haboub, Frontier Division Director, provided the Frontier Division Director Report

XXV. 7:03PM Distinguished Toastmaster, Deepa Venkat, Metro Division Director, provided the Metro Division Director Report

- XXVI. 7:04PM Distinguished Toastmaster, Dan Reeder, Plains Division Director, provided the Plains Division Director Report
- XXVII. 7:06PM Distinguished Toastmaster, Wayne Sandy, Southern Division Director, provided the Southern Division Director Report
- XXVIII. 7:08PM Distinguished Toastmaster, Hank Chavers, Town North Division Director, provided the Town North Division Director Report
- XXIX. 7:10PM Distinguished Toastmaster, Steve Adler, Vista Division Director, provided the Vista Division Director Report
- XXX. 7:13PM Distinguished Toastmaster, DaWane Wanek, District Director, allowed Manuel Garcia, Club Growth Director to speak again for an additional 2 minutes, since there was time.
- XXXI. 7:15PM Distinguished Toastmaster, DaWane Wanek, District Director, adjourned the meeting.

Note: An additional alignment update was submitted to Toastmasters International after the approval of the final alignments during the Business meeting on 4/28/22. That document is located [here](#).