



**District 8 Toastmasters
DEC Meeting Minutes
Saturday, June 23, 2018
11:00 AM –4:30 PM**

District Mission

We build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence

District Director Vision

Strengthening the Core of District 8 through Membership Retention

Minutes

Attendees:

Kat Mokriakow, Tim Spezia, Elaine Curry, James Childress, Parshu Anantharam, Dan Galarza, Tom Coscia, Lora Mather, Angie Breinin, Monaye Dockett, Karen Leingang, David Kincade, Evelyn Pearman, Nancy King, Vic Mattison, Susan Boley, Rick Hoelscher, David DeVeydt, Linda Sullivan, Ellen Kirchdoerfer, Scott Moore, Patti Howard, Brian Pelikan, Eileen Smith-Murphy, Seth Miller, Richard Porter, June Jeffries, Jennifer Cox, Geoff King, RJ Stratton, Larry Kimbrow, Teresa Stewart, Mohammed Sharad, Mary Merenda, Julius Adewunmi, Jim Bubash, Jered Wayland, Dwayne Miller, Jason Grossardt, Melissa Triplett, Tonie Thornhill

Call to Order

Commenced at 11:37 AM

District Mission Read – Parshu Anantharam

Addition of the Agenda – Kat Mokriakow

Unanimous consent

Administrative Policies - Lora Mather

20 outgoing officers - Quorum

19 incoming officers – Quorum

HPL on Vote Tabulation

Key Points

Voting methods

Solicit help

Visual voting made every member feel that their vote counted.

Leaders share the ownership of the project.

99% of the paddles returned

Approval of the Meeting Minutes – Brian Pelikan

Minor spelling errors on the first page

A motion was made by Tonie Thornhill (New Area 20 Director)

Seconded by Rick Hoelscher

The meeting minutes have been approved by unanimous consent.

The motion carries

Financial Report – Tim Spezia

Concur Description

Financials Overview

Storage Locker

\$1100 per year or \$93 per month

Accounting Audit Story

Many did not submit mileage for the year. Skews the results for the coming year.

Concur usage may increase the mileage reimbursements for the upcoming year.

Recognitions

Area Director and Division Director Incentives – Kat Mokriakow

Send feedback to the Trio on how they did throughout the year.

Finance Manager Awards – Tim Spezia

Rick Hoelscher for submitting expenses in Concur

David DeVeydt for extraordinary accuracy in Concur

Area Director Award – Kat Mokriakow

Patti Howard for Master of Innovation – Outstanding Toastmaster Award

Ellen Kirchdoerfer – Master of Decision

John Mark Bean – Master of Perseverance

Scott Moore – Master of Perseverance

Geoff King – Master of Perseverance

Master of Commitment Awards

Evelyn Pearman

Linda Sullivan

Dan Galarza

Natalie Meighan

First Division E representation

Master of Enthusiasm

Monaye Dockett

Master of Commitment

Nancy King

Master of Support

Rick Hoelscher

Karen Leingang

Master of Collaboration

Susan Boley

David DeVeydt

Division A – Select Distinguished

Area 2 - Select Distinguished

Division Director Awards

Division A

Great job to Parshu

Parshu helped Elaine with Survey Monkey – Big Shout Out

Division B – June Jeffries

Great division contest

Every DEC and Strategic Meeting she attended

Big shout out for all the commitment

Division C – David Kincade

Brought vitality to the division.

Help to the Area Directors

Great support for all over the district

Division E – Natalie Meighan

Very involved in her division

Very supportive to strategically save her division.

Did a great job to keep it afloat

Division F – Angie Breinin

Met the challenges of the Division

Big shout out for grace under fire

Division Staff

Tom Coscia

Kept meetings on task

In addition to being Parliamentarian

Was the webmaster as well.

Big shout out for the website. Many kudos received on it.

Also full time in the Boy Scouts

Was also involved with the Long Range Planning Committee

Monaye and Parshu were also on the team.

Big shout out for the dedication with so many other priorities

Finance Person – Tim Spezia

TI has professional accountants look at the expenses.

Ensure we are doing expenses properly.

Requires a lot of vigilance on the part of district.

*Big shout out for hanging in there and doing
 Administration Manager – Brian Pelikan
 Thanks for the accuracy
 Big shout out for Angie Breinin and Parshu for helping out with the minutes when Brian could not attend.
 Lora Mather
 Big shout out for all the support and help for the district and especially all the help provided to
 Kat.
 Eileen Smith-Murphy – Great Public Relations Manager
 Set the bar high for PRM.
 Went way above the goal.
 Gave us open and closed Facebook Groups
 Meet Up.com was also instituted.
 Social Media Workshops
 Templates for Press Releases
 Working Womens Survival Show
 Earth Day
 Worlds Fair Heritage Festival
 Moved to Las Vegas
 Back and forth from Las Vegas to support the district
 Put out the E-Book for the District
 Program Quality Director Recognition – Elaine Curry
 The district has been so awesome.
 Looking forward to the greatness for this year.
 Club Growth Director Recognition – James Childress
 Shout Out to Everyone for all their help
 Scott Moore – Incredible coaches in Franklin County
 Angie and Karen for Central West End TM
 David and Karen for Kemper help.
 Susan Boley for Centene TM – Got them to charter
 Linda for coaching Lindenwood.
 Evelyn for new club leads
 Eileen, Tim S and Tim C for putting up with James - ☺
 Elaine and Kat for all the mentorship. Appreciate all the tough love.
 Cecily Hawksworth – Editor for Newsletter
 Stuck with the Newsletter with all the challenges.
 Great job!!!!!!!
 Karen Leingang
 Area Director 17
 Wonderful year
 Shout out to Angie for the help.
 Taught her a lot of Toastmasters
 There are lot of new ideas out there.
 Clubs problems are not unique.
 Great solutions on how to help clubs.
 Kat, Elaine and James were always there.
 Eileen Smith Murphy
 This year was full of challenges on the homefront
 Despite that, appreciated all the support and all the patience.
 Never dropped the ball
 Geoff King
 Area 4 Director
 Shout Out to Parshu for all the help and with his first contest
 Thanks to James for all the help with Franklin County
 Rewarding experiences.
 Franklin County is now distinguished.
 Central West End Toastmasters
 Number One Community Club
 Will now receive President's Distinguished
 Just chartered in 2016
 Parshu Anantharam
 Thank the Trio and the Area Directors
 For all the visits and support
 Experience of being Area Director was very helpful
 New officers note – Lots of support from the trio.
 Monaye Dockett
 Area 15 Director
 No replacement for her yet.
 Shout out to Kat and Elaine for all the support
 If club leadership is not supportive, recommend to reach out to the members*

*Conversion to other corporate clubs and to other community clubs
Shout out to Angie for all the positive support*

Nancy King

*Thanks to June Jeffries
Thanks for all the help with the creation of the contests.
June helped with the binders
Could not have done this without June's help.*

Dan Galarza

*Packet for Area 14
Evelyn and Linda provided so much support to Dan.
Theresa filling in for Natalie.
Thanks for Natalie.
Kudos on the conferences. They are the best.*

Rick Hoelscher

*Kudos for June's help with the contests and mentoring
Thanks to Richard Porter and with the mentoring. Help with the contests.
Big thanks.*

Richard Porter – Audit Supervisor

*Kat is recognizing Richard for his help.
Keep us on track with our audits.*

Evelyn Pearman

*Thanks for everyone's respect.
First DTM in the prison.
Toastmasters means so much to them. It is their life.*

David DeVeydt

*Area 9 Director
Look to left and right
Thanks to Maura for all the help with Bulls and Bears.
Collaboration is key.
Opportunities for clubs to do so much more.
Big shout out to the Trio !!!!*

Susan Boley

*Area 18 Director
Her club is celebrating 15th anniversary
She was a chartering member.
Most rewarding things that she has ever done.
Attended conference.
Thanks to June for all the support.
Never had run a contest.
HPL was to have a club contest. We were successful.
Thanks to Elaine for the personal attention to a club that is now select distinguished.
Thanks to RJ for all the help with the contest.*

John Mark Bean

*Area 8 Director
Lots of help from June.
Lots of help from the Trio
Thanks so much for the opportunity.*

Tim Spezia

*Appreciate all the patience with the issues with Finance.
Kudos to Kat for exceeding all expectations.*

Transitioning Planning

Division A

*Some clubs need help.
Email new director on everything you need
See feedback from director and from the club
Will always provide feedback to the Trio
Should we have a slogan for the Division
Clubs may have problems since they do not see the joy in Toastmasters
Division A – Achiever*

Division C

Ellen K

*David helpful to share venues and key people that can fill contest roles
Pulled a map of Illinois and plotted clubs.
David shared potential problems.*

New Director

How to cast the vision of toastmasters to the club level

Division B – June Jeffries

Put together three pages of notes

Club visits

Contests

District activities in general

Training will be provided to the directors

Larry Kimbrow– Kudos to June

Excited for the future

Directors help each other

Division E –

Spoke about clubs

Get officers trained

Planning a vision for the officers

Great help from the Youtube Videos

Look at the Dist 8 website and get familiar with what it has.

Public Relations

There will be a public relations committee with Eileen and the successor. Eileen will still be on board.

Pathway Guide

One pathway guide present.

These need to be identified in each division for support.

District Director Final Comments/Prizes – Kat Mokriakow

- *Prizes issue by lot.*
- *Parshu is seeing if he can name the entire district leadership*

Area Director Training – Elaine Curry

This is will occur on July 14th

Location to be determined.

The calendar will be available then.

Monitoring of Postcard Mailers

No results known yet. Patti Howard brought this up.

Meeting Adjournment

- *Scott Moore from Area 2 motioned to adjourn.*
- *Rick Hoelscher from Area 13 seconded the motion to adjourn.*
- *Unanimous consent to adjourn*
- *Meeting Adjourned at 3:40 PM.*