

## **District Executive Committee Meeting**

**Fall Conference 2011**

**Holiday Inn, Austin, Texas**

**November 19, 2011**

**Call to Order and Welcome Message** – The meeting was called to order at 3:33 PM by District Governor Linda Williams, DTM.

**Inspirational Opening** – Janie Coy, ACB, CL, presented an inspirational opening.

**Reading of District Mission** – Read by all members of District Council.

**Welcome/Introductory Remarks** – District Governor Linda Williams, DTM, introduced distinguished guests/DEC members, thanked all present for their attendance, and presented the parliamentary procedures for the meeting.

**Credentials Committee Report** – Chair, Immediate Past District Governor, Grace Jennings, DTM, acknowledged and thanked all committee members who served. She gave special thanks to Paula Tunison, DTM, for creating an electronic program which tracks all credentials online. She reported that a sufficient number of clubs were represented to meet quorum requirements. The report was unanimously adopted.

**Adoption of Agenda** – The report was unanimously adopted.

**Secretary's Report** – The minutes posted on the District 55 website of the DC meeting of May 1, 2011, and the DEC meeting of September 10, 2011, were approved.

**Election of Division M Governor** – Linda Atkins, DTM, who had been appointed to fill the vacant Division M Governor position, was unanimously elected to serve in that office.

**Confirmation of Appointed District Officers** – The Area Governors and Committee Chairs for 2011-2012 as posted on the District 55 website were confirmed as appointed.

**Report of Audit Committee – Year End Audit** – Chair Susan McClure, ACB, ALS, presented the year-end audit report and committee recommendations. The report was unanimously adopted.

**Adoption of District Budget** – Treasurer Heather-Diehl, DTM, presented the budget report, and it was unanimously adopted.

**Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer Heather-Diehl, DTM, presented the first quarter treasurer's report. The treasurer's report is posted on the District 55 website.

### **Reports by Senior District Officers** –

**Public Relations Officer Dwayne Windham, DTM**, reported on the positive results of the rebranding, the book festival, the Michael Notaro television interview, and the District 55 Facebook site. He is looking for an event for Martin Luther King Day in which District 55 can participate.

**Lieutenant Governor Marketing Bill Greenham, DTM**, introduced and thanked his marketing team. He reported the good news that we are on target for chartering 40 clubs this year. The bad news is that we may lose 10 clubs that are struggling. He requested support to get these clubs back on track and to collect club dues.

**Lieutenant Governor Education and Training Sharon Brown, DTM**, reported on the success of officers training. The Spring Conference will be in Corpus Christi at the Holiday Inn Emerald Beach. The key note speaker for the conference will be David Henderson. Note: a conference chair is needed.

**District Governor Linda Williams, DTM**, reported that District 55 has been Distinguished 5 years in a row. Her dream is for the district to be President's Distinguished this year and to continue that as a tradition every year. Paul Wilson, DTM, read the Toastmasters positioning statement, "Toastmasters, Where Leaders are Made."

#### **Other Committee Reports –**

**Policy & Procedures Committee –** Chair Stan See, DTM, PDG, thanked Atheria Scott, DTM, for her assistance on the committee. He presented a report from the DEC on the recommendations for amending the District Procedures. A needed correction to the numbering of the paragraphs on page 5 was noted by Bill Blanchette. The proposed amendments were adopted by voice vote.

**Unfinished Business and General Orders–** None.

**New Business –** District Governor, Linda Williams, DTM, presented the rotation schedule for hosting the District Conferences as specified in the district procedures: G, J, H, M, F, K, I, and L. She noted that the sites are chosen 2 years in advance by the District Council.

**Fall 2013 Conference Location –** A motion was made by Cindy Tarsi that Division M Host the Fall 2013 Conference. The motion was adopted by voice vote.

#### **Announcements –**

Chair Nominating Committee, Dan Jackson, DTM, encouraged members to submit nominations for the 2012-2013 District officers, including the District Governor, the Lieutenant Governor Education and Training, the Lieutenant Governor Marketing, and the Division Governors. Deadline for submission is January 31, 2012. The nominations forms are on the District 55 website.

District Treasurer, Heather Diehl, DTM, requested that any receipts for expenses for the fall conference be submitted to her for reimbursement and registration checks for the Spring Conference be submitted to her as well.

**Time and Place of Next Conference – April 28, 2012–** Will be held in Corpus Christi at the Holiday Inn Emerald Beach.

**Next Executive Meeting–** January 14, 2012, 9:00 AM, First Lutheran Church, San Marcos, Texas.

**Adjournment:** 4:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

(signed) Carol Clark, ACB, ALB, District 55 Secretary