

## **District Executive Council Meeting**

**San Marcos, Texas**

**January 30, 2010**

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by District Governor Margaret Cathey, DTM. Linda Williams, DTM, offered an opening prayer. Grace Jennings, DTM, read the District Mission.

**Welcome and Recognition** – District Governor Margaret Cathey, DTM, recognized DEC members who had achieved new Communication and Leadership designations since the last DEC meeting in November.

**Roll Call and Certification of Quorum** – District Secretary Tim Williams, ACS ALB, called roll. Twenty-nine of 43 DEC members were present. Twenty-two members being required for a quorum, the quorum was met. Four additional members arrived after roll call.

**Adoption of Agenda** – Moved and seconded. The agenda was adopted.

**Approval of the Minutes** – Minutes of previous meeting had been distributed by email. It was moved, seconded, and voted unanimously that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved.

**Treasurer's Report, June 2009** – District Treasurer Tonia Norman, DTM reported that the district is currently solvent and that the treasurer's report has been posted on the District 55 web site. The Fall Conference was reported to have produced a small profit for the District.

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

**Immediate Past District Governor Stanley See, DTM**, reported on the current work of the Nominations Committee.

**Lieutenant Governor Marketing Linda Williams, DTM**, reported that the District is doing well regarding the chartering of new clubs. She presented some Jack Rabbit Dash awards and led discussion concerning the Three Months for Three Members Incentive, the Talk up Toastmasters Contest, and the Early Bird Recognition Incentive.

**Lieutenant Governor Education and Training Grace Jennings, DTM** gave a report on the percentage of officers trained in the District. She pointed out the need to finalize dates for the upcoming speech contests and outlined the District's "Incentives for Reaching Success" (IRS) program. There was also discussion of difficulties with the Spring Conference venue at Tapatio Springs.

**District Governor Margaret Cathey, DTM** outlined current success in meeting Communication, Membership, and Club Chartering goals, but warned that these successes are not an invitation to rest on our laurels.

**Division and Area Governor Reports** – division and area governor reports were presented in the following order:

*Division G – Gerry Wyant, ACS ALB, accompanied by AG’s Nancy Wyant, CC, Johnna Krawietz, CC CL, Amy Espinoza, ACB CL, Rafael Malo, ATMG, and Heather Diehl, ACS ALB.*

*Division H, – Humberto Vela, ACB CL, accompanied by David Fritzlen, ACS CL, Al Schwab, ACB CL, and Ron Graves, ACB ALB.*

*Division I – Report by AG’s Blanche Pape, ACS CL, Jan Davis, ACS, Lynda Kohler, CC CL, and Linda Stough, CC CL. (Ren Liner, DTM, absent due to illness.)*

*Division J – Trey Gramann, ACS ALS, accompanied by AG’s Janie Coy, CC CL, Tony Grasso, CC CL, and Betty McDaniel, ACB ALB.*

*Division K- John Schmidt, DTM, accompanied by AG’s Garrett Onderdonk III, ACS CL, Scott Killen, ACS ALB, Ron Sheaffer, ATMG, and Jerry Barrett, ATM/ALS.*

*Division L – Sharon Brown, ACB ALB, accompanied by AG’s Anna Sanders, CC, Jeanell Menyweather, ACS ALB, Tim Hackler, CC, and Linda Atkins, ACG ALB.*

**Unfinished Business** – none

**New Business** – none

**Announcements** – The following dates for Division Contests were announced:

G – TBD  
H – April 12  
I – April 10  
J – April 8  
K – TBD  
L – April 10

**Time and Place of Next Meeting** – March 6, 2010, San Marcos

**Talk Around the Tables** – District Governor Margaret Cathey, DTM, shared some recent e-mails concerning training and the Speakers Bureau.

**Adjournment** – 12:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,

(signed) Tim Williams, ACS ALB, District 55 Secretary