

District Executive Committee Meeting

San Marcos, Texas

September 11, 2010

Call to Order and Welcome Message – The meeting was called to order at 9:01 AM by District Governor Grace Jennings, DTM. Lieutenant Governor Education and Training, Linda Williams, DTM, gave an inspirational opening, and Lieutenant Governor Marketing, Sharon Brown, ACS ALS, read the district mission. At the suggestion of Joe Jarrett, CC CL, a moment of silence was observed for the victims of the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

Roll Call and Certification of Quorum – District Secretary Tim Williams, DTM, called roll. Thirty-two of 45 DEC members were present. Twenty-three members being required for a quorum, the quorum was met. Six additional members arrived after roll call.

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

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

Treasurer's Report – District Treasurer Roger Storer, ATMB, reported that the treasurer's report for May 2010 has been posted on the District 55 web site. The report was approved as posted.

Year-End Audit Report – The year-audit report was presented by Gypsy Ramsey, DTM. The report was adopted as presented.

Presentation and Approval of District Budget for 2010-2011 - District Treasurer Roger Storer, ATMB, presented the proposed District budget for 2010-2011. There were questions and discussion from the floor and some minor corrections were made. The budget was adopted as corrected.

Approval of District Governor Recommendations for Area Governors - District Governor Grace Jennings, DTM, made the following recommendations for new area governors:

- Steve Darling, CC – Area H-82
- Bob Couch, ATM – Area I-71
- Sugar Ray Destin, ACB ALB – Area J-60
- Summer Daniel, CC ALB – Area L-44

All were confirmed in their new positions.

Approval of Recommended Changes to District 55 Procedures – Harry Truman, DTM, recommended changes to District Procedures due to the fact that the trio is now required to attend a total of six days at the International Convention rather than the previous four day requirement. The extra days are for training that formerly was done at the regional conference. The revisions provide for district reimbursement to the trio for hotel expenses for the extra two days. Changes are to be retroactive to include the last Toastmasters International convention. The recommendations were approved by the DEC.

Reports by Senior District Officers –

Lieutenant Governor Marketing Sharon Brown, ACS ALS, reported that three new clubs have chartered since July 1 and four more clubs are in the process of forming. She gave special recognition to the several people who were helping her with these clubs.

Lieutenant Governor Education and Training Linda Williams, DTM, expressed delight at District training performance. Two divisions had over 90% of their clubs with at least four officers trained, and the District as a whole had 83% of clubs with at least four officers trained. Fifty-five clubs had all seven officers trained.

Linda gave interim results for the CC-CL Incentive, the Jack Rabbit Dash, the Go for the Gold, and a new incentive for clubs to get at least five DCP points. She encouraged everyone to attend the fall conference.

District Governor Grace Jennings, DTM, commended the DEC for its great work. Pins were presented to fourteen area governors for submitting all their clubs proxies for the TI Convention. Jennifer Donley, CC CL, was introduced to give an announcement about the upcoming District 55 Fall Conference.

Presentation by David Fritzlen, ACG ALB – “Numbers, Numbers, Numbers!”. Statistics related to club and district accomplishments and goals.

Presentation by Paul Kaschube, DTM – “District Contests: Focus on Judging”. A training session for the DEC about judging Toastmaster speech contests.

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

Division J – Jane Coy, ACB CL, accompanied by AG’s Sugar Ray Destin, ACB ALB, Joe Jarrett, CC CL, Sheri Mesch, Paul Wilson, ACS ALB, and Mark Weidman, CC.

Division I – Blanche Pape, ACS CL, accompanied by AG’s Deborah Borden, DTM, Bob Couch, ATM, Chad Schultz, ACS ALB, Michael Voulgaris, ACB ALB, and Cheryl Ramirez, CL.

Division H – David Fritzlen, ACG ALB, accompanied by AG’s David Borden, DTM, Bill Greenham, CC ALB, Veronica Godley, ACB CL, and Steve Darling, CC.

Division G – Johnna Krawietz, ACS ALB, accompanied by AG’s Len Green, CC, and Marty Nash, CC.

Division L – Ken Estes, DTM, for Jeanell Menyweather, ACS ALB, accompanied by AG’s Elise Taylor, ACB ALB, Jean Ramsey, CC ALB, and Summer Daniel, CC ALB.

Division K – Betty McDaniel, ACB ALS, accompanied by AG’s Laura Schleicher, ATMG CL, Lisa Merrill, ACB CL, and Jill Onderdonk, ACS CL.

Announcements – DG Grace Jennings, DTM. Next meeting November 5, 2010 (Fall Conference).

Adjournment: 2:12 PM

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) Tim Williams, ACG ALB, District 55 Secretary