

**Minutes of the November 7, 2009
District 55 Council Meeting
Corpus Christi, Texas**

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by District Governor Margaret Cathey, DTM. The inspirational opening was given by LGM Linda Williams, DTM. The District Mission was read by LGET Grace Jennings, DTM. District Governor Margaret Cathey, DTM, gave a welcome and some introductory remarks. Members who speak were asked to show their ballot, state their name and the name of the club they represented.

Credentials Committee report: PDG Gloria Williams, DTM

Clubs eligible:	149	
Club votes represented:	106	Quorum attained
Votes present:	135	
Simple majority required:	68 votes	
Two-Thirds majority required:	90 votes	

The credentials committee report was adopted with no opposition.

Adoption of Agenda: A printed copy of the proposed agenda was given to each committee member. The motion was made to adopt the program agenda. The agenda was adopted.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the Spring District Council meeting have been distributed. There were no corrections, and the minutes were approved.

Confirmation of Appointed District Officers: The appointments of all current area governors, district staff, and committee chairs were confirmed.

Report of Audit Committee – Year End Audit: Audit Committee chairman, Deborah Borden, DTM, gave the yearend audit report. The report was favorable, and there were no questions from the floor. The audit committee report was adopted without opposition.

Adoption of District Budget: Tonia Norman, DTM, District 55 Treasurer presented the proposed district budget to the DEC on September 12, 2009. At that time it was adopted by the DEC as amended. Copies were distributed to each council member. The district budget was adopted as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Tonia Norman, DTM, District 55 Treasurer presented the treasurer's report current as of September, 2009. She reported approximately \$31,000 in funds available to the district and approximately \$13,000 in expenditures as of September. The treasurer was commended for a job well done.

Reports by Senior District Officers:

- A. Lt Governor Marketing, Linda Williams, DTM, reported that 22 clubs have qualified for the Smedley Award, the Jack Rabbit Dash has been a success, and that District 55 already has eight new clubs formed in this Toastmaster year.

- B. Lt Governor Education & Training, Grace Jennings, DTM, reported that the district has had 37 clubs with all officers trained.
- C. District Governor, Margaret Cathey, DTM, ended by urging members to move into district leadership positions.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: The conference locations rotate among the different divisions. Sharon Brown, ACB ALB, moved that the Fall 2011 conference be hosted by Division L. Seconded by Heather Diehl, ACS CL. Motion passed.

Announcements: Members were urged to recycle their ballots. Dinner to begin 7:00 PM followed by District Speech Contest and DTM ceremony.

Time and Place of Next Meeting: May 1, 2010, Boerne, Texas.

Adjournment: 5:07 PM