

Additional Candidate Showcase Questions

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1. Being Distinguished is an important goal for all District leaders. However, in the home stretch, some leaders resort to unethical practices in order to achieve Distinguished status. What should be done to prevent this from happening, how can this be monitored and what should the consequences be for those who engage in this activity?

It is important to monitor the dashboard from the beginning of the Toastmasters year and continue for the whole year. There are many good reasons for the spike. Pathways contest, award contest, and so on. I find that the mentorship would be needed. Going back to the Toastmasters Promises and living up the Toastmasters Core Values will be key.

2. Describe a successful team you led.

Both times I was Conference Chair. District 14- 25 plus chairs were led. This was the last conference before the District would be split in to 2. With weekly meeting, daily calls and scheduled updates our team hosted 350 members for the conference. But this team I knew well and grew up with.

District 55 was different. I lead a team that I had never knew. I moved to Austin only a few months prior. With this team, I found that trusting the recommendation of others and constant communication was key.

3. Please provide a specific example of when you developed a strategic plan and it was implemented successfully.

This year the Club Growth Team planned to charter new clubs and support the clubs we had. The plan needed to adapt to the present that we live in. We have lose clubs yes. But we gained 7 new clubs this far. Compared to other Districts, we have planned well and the Club Growth team has stuck the plan. But adapted well.

4. How will you go about executing the mission of the District?

The district mission is the Club Growth Director's mission. "We build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence." I will continue the efforts to bring to our members and non-Toastmasters relevant and programing. Working with the Program Quality Committee to enrich the learning paths and programing.

5. How can we ensure the long-term success of the District?

Implement the succession plan. From the beginning of a Toastmaster's journey, the member should be shown all that Toastmasters has to offer. And also recite the Toastmasters Promise. From the beginning be groomed for more. The opportunity for leadership is now. The time to take advantage of the program is now. When we deliver, what is needed, we will gain more member. The Success of the District relies on the success of our member and the future members.