



District 91 District Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

6th May 2016

Meeting at 19:00

The Grange City Hotel

8-14 Cooper's Row, London, London, EC3N 2BQ

	Item
1	<p><i>Welcome, District Mission</i> The District Mission was recited by all.</p>
2	<p><i>Confirm Roll Call and Quorum</i> District Parliamentarian, David Sutcliffe, confirmed that 26 members of the DEC present and out of 39, the meeting quorate.</p> <p><i>Apologies</i> District Administration Manager, Helena Brewer, read the apologies - Assistants Russel Searle, Martina Barbati, Catalina Donoso, DEC members David Salamons, Laurent Nicourt</p>
3	<p><i>Approval of previous minutes</i> District Director Jean Gamester called for approval of the minutes from 20 March meeting. The DEC accepted minutes by unanimous consent.</p>
3	<p><i>Finance Manager's Report</i> By way of reminder District Director, Jean Gamester, stated that at the previous DEC meeting, it had passed the Audit Committee's Report, without objection. Therefore, this item won't be covered again today.</p> <p>Finance Manager, Meg Heyworth provided her profit and loss report on the year to end of March. Call for any finance queries or questions for DEC members.</p> <p>Area Director B9 - Daniel Broadhead asked is the conference operating within budget?</p> <p><i>District Director Jean Gamester yielded to Program Quality Director Vanessa King</i></p> <p>District Director Jean Gamester, confirmed that whilst the District is responsible for the conference, the conference's finances are managed directly by the conference team – although we don't have final figures yet, the conferences this year are expected to at least break even.</p> <p><i>Program Quality Director Vanessa King yielded control of the meeting back to District Director Jean Gamester.</i></p> <p>The finance report, without objection, was accepted by unanimous consent.</p>

<p>4</p>	<p><i>Alignment Committee report</i></p> <p>Richard Murray, delivered the Alignment Committee’s report on behalf of Paul Walsh, Committee Chair.</p> <p>Division L Director Barry Greenan asked DEC members if they were aware of any objections on the alignment proposals?</p> <p>Members of the committee were not aware of any objections or alternatives that were likely to be raised.</p> <p>The DEC agreed by unanimous consent that they would propose that the District Council approve the proposals of the alignment committee.</p> <p>District Parliamentarian David Sutcliffe asked for a proposal of thanks be made to thank the alignment committee members for all their hard work, from the DEC members. The proposal was accept and thanks given.</p>
<p>5</p>	<p><i>REP report</i></p> <p>Program Quality Director Vanessa King provided an update on the Revitalised Education Programme and thanked the Chief Ambassador Sandra Lawes and her REP team for their work over the last year.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p><i>Recommendations to fill District Officer vacancies</i></p> <p>District Director Jean Gamester confirmed that no vacancies had been filled since the last DEC meeting.</p>
<p>7</p>	<p><i>Report on the District Success Plan and Distinguished Program progress</i></p> <p>Division Director and Area Director Reports were provided by those DEC members present, followed by District Leadership Team reports.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p><i>Review of District Council Meeting Agenda for 7th May</i></p> <p>District Director Jean Gamester reminded DEC members of Toastmasters election protocol “District executive committee members shall not take any action to endorse or officially support any district officer candidates we cannot endorse any candidate.”</p>

<p>9</p>	<p><i>AOB</i></p> <p>Division L Director Barry Greenan asked “With the alignment and the new Divisions what happens to new Area Directors?”</p> <p>District Director Jean Gamester explained that the incoming District Director is in charge of appointing for new areas (once they have been created) and those where a director has not yet been elected.</p> <p>District Parliamentarian David Sutcliffe, as parliamentarian he’s an observer at the DEC meetings David commented on how extremely impressed he’d been with the DEC meetings this year and all the work that the DEC members have carried out during the year. With that in mind, he asked that the DEC members give themselves a round of applause and to shake of the hands of fellow DEC members.</p> <p>New clubs that have chartered and their charter packs had been received by District Director Jean Gamesters, were handed to DEC members to hand on to the clubs. L56 Area Director George Chisea took the charter pack for Barings and Division B Director Neil Coleman took the charter pack for RLC.</p> <p><u>30 July 2016</u> – will be the end of year party which all DEC members are invited to attend, it’s a self-funding event will be held at Blackfriars Wine Bar, in London.</p> <p>Next meeting of the District Executive Committee will be on the 4 September 2016 in London</p>
<p>10</p>	<p><i>Meeting close</i></p>