



Good day Club Presidents and Club Secretaries,

You would have recently received an email regarding your Club's Proxy vote from Toastmasters International.

You and your club have the opportunity to help shape Toastmasters International. Please use your club's vote at the 2021 Toastmasters International Annual Business Meeting. (See **How to Assign your Club Proxy** below for details on how to do this - note that the examples are from last year, but it will be similar).

At this meeting, future leaders, including Toastmasters International Directors, are voted in. These leaders shape the strategic planning of Toastmasters International. It is really important these leaders are chosen with care, that these leaders are equipped to consider the needs of clubs in New Zealand.

A main part of the role of the District 112 New Zealand Trio, made up of me, Stephen Budai DTM (District Director), Wendy Wickliffe DTM (Program Quality Director) and James Hippolite DTM (Club Growth Director), is to interview each of these candidates to understand what they consider important for the growth and enhancement of Toastmasters International and where their priorities lie.

Our analysis of the bios provided by these candidates and our research and assessment of the candidates puts us in a good position to carry your proxy vote. We invest a lot of time to ensure we have leaders in place in Toastmasters International who are going to take our District's needs and values into consideration when setting policy and making important decisions.

You are welcome to choose a club member or another member of Toastmasters to carry your proxy. However, due to the research conducted and experience gained by having held a District role for at least five years, it is common practice in New Zealand to assign this proxy to the **District Director**, as follows:

How to Assign Your Club Proxy

1. The **Club President** or **Club Secretary** signs in to the Toastmasters International portal, goes to **Club Central**, clicks on **Club Proxy**, and assigns the proxy by clicking the middle blue button "Designate District Director" (see photo insert):

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CLUB PROXY ASSIGNMENT

Use this section to perform one the following actions for the Annual Business Meeting:

Designate a Club Delegate | Designate District Director | Designate Another Toastmaster

You are confirming your club is naming the 2020-2021 District Director or, if (and only if) the District Director is not in attendance, the next senior District officer to cast the club's vote at the Annual Business Meeting.

Check this box to provide voting direction to your club's proxyholder.
If no direction to the proxyholder is provided, the proxyholder will exercise his/her own judgement when voting.

For information on the candidates nominated by the International Leadership Committee for election at the Annual Business Meeting, please visit www.toastmasters.org/about/board-of-directors.

2. The Club President or Club Secretary then **signs** by typing in their name as registered on the Toastmasters International website, and click on the maroon button called "**Confirm Votes**" (see photo insert):

My club may revoke this proxy before it is exercised by delivering a written revocation notice to the Secretary of Toastmasters International, by executing a new proxy, or by authorizing an active individual member of my club to serve as a delegate at the Annual Business Meeting. Any such modification must be executed at Credentials at the International Convention.

By my signature below, I certify that the District Director will serve as my club's proxyholder to the Annual Business Meeting. This means that my club revokes any previous proxies and appoints the proxyholder to act as its proxy, vote for international officers and directors, and vote upon any other business coming before the Annual Business Meeting.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Typing your name in the box below will constitute your electronic signature.

Signature

Elizabeth Susanna Viljoen

Jul. 21, 2020

By clicking on this box, I am affixing my electronic signature, which is legally equivalent to my handwritten signature.

Confirm Votes

3. You can then, if you choose to do so **print** out the Club Proxy Assignment Summary:

CLUB PROXY ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY

Your votes have been saved and your proxy has been assigned.

Club Name:

Takapuna Midday Toastmasters Club

Club Number:

622009

District:

112

Print

Proxy Designation:

Your club is naming the 2020-2021 District Director, or the next senior officer in attendance, as its proxyholder.

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International President-Elect No Selection	Region 6 No Selection
First Vice President No Selection	Region 8 No Selection
Second Vice President No Selection	Region 10 No Selection
Region 2 No Selection	Region 12 No Selection
Region 4 No Selection	Region 14 No Selection

When assigning your Club Proxy, you are able to direct how your Club would like to vote, but you do not have to do this. We are happy to make these decisions on your behalf, based on the research and interviews we have conducted, should you wish us to do this.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries.

Kind regards,

Stephen Budai

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