Minutes of District 112 Virtual Executive Committee Meeting held via Zoom Conferencing on Friday 23 July 2021 starting at 7.00pm

The list of attendees is appended at the end of the minutes.

1. Call to order and welcome

District Director, Stephen Budai, called the meeting to order and extended a warm welcome to all District Officers present. Procedures for a virtual District Executive Meeting were outlined.

2. Confirmation of Quorum

District Parliamentarian Murray Coutts advised that a quorum for this meeting is 25 members. There are 35 members present, therefore we have a quorum.

3. District Mission

Programme Quality Director, Wendy Wickliffe, read the District Mission.

4. Speaking Rights

District Director Stephen confirmed that all district officers have speaking and voting rights. He also extended speaking rights to:

Murray Coutts - District Parliamentarian
Troy Smith - Zoom Master
Toni Sharp - District Mentor
Alun Chisholm - District Statistician

5. Apologies

Apologies were received from:

Fiona Perry - R1 Area Director
Daniel Wang - K4 Area Director
John O'Leary - K1 Area Director / Logistics Manager
Sandy Gelling - P2 Area Director

THAT THESE APOLOGIES BE ACCEPTED.

MOVED: Stephen Budai, District Director

6. Motion on Notice 1

The first motion on notice is a formal motion. District Director Stephen advised that any debate is limited to whether this meeting should overturn the decision of the DEC meeting held 2 July 2021 to hold Area, Division and District contests in-person.

If the motion is lost, then the decision to have in-person contests at Area, Division and District stands, and this meeting will have no further business.

If the motion Is adopted, the situation is that the District Executive has not made any decision on the matter and the meeting will move to the second motion on notice which is about making the decision.

THAT THE RESOLUTION REGARDING THE DECISION ON THE FORMAT OF AREA, DIVISION AND DISTRICT CONTESTS, TAKEN BY THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEE ON 2 JULY 2021, IS HEREBY RESCINDED.

MOVED: Jess Vargas
SECONDED: Ben Ross
CARRIED

Views for and against rescinding the decision of 2 July were heard, after which the members proceeded to vote.

The poll was launched. The result of the poll was to rescind the decision.

7. Motion on Notice 2

District Director Stephen explained that a directive from Toastmasters International requires the District to decide for the 2021/2022 year whether contests at Area, Division and District will be held in-person or online.

THAT THE DISTRICT OFFICERS VOTE FOR ONE OF THE TWO OPTIONS:
OPTION A - ALL CONTESTS AT AREA, DIVISION AND DISTRICT WILL BE HELD IN-PERSON
OPTION B - ALL CONTESTS AT AREA, DIVISION AND DISTRICT WILL BE HELD ONLINE

MOVED: Ines Curin
SECONDED: Wendy Wickliffe - on proforma
CARRIED

The motion was open for discussion. A district officer sought clarification as to whether the result of the second poll that was carried out after the DEC meeting on 2 July 2021 was sent to all district officers. District Director Stephen confirmed that the result was send to all district officers at 5.30pm on 21 July 2021.

The second poll was launched. The result of the poll for in favour of Option A.

8. Close

The next meeting of the District Executive Committee will be in person on Saturday 18 September 2021. Venue and start time to be advised.

The meeting closed at 7.17pm.

Attendees:	
Stephen Budai	District Director
Wendy Wickliffe	Programme Quality Director
James Hippolite	Club Growth Director
Marlene Krone	Administration Manager
Elizabeth Viljoen	Public Relations Manager
Sharon Kerr-Phillips	Immediate Past District Director
Murray Coutts	Parliamentarian
Troy Smith	Zoom Master
Toni Sharp	District Mentor
Sabrina Naseem	Division K Director
Ines Curin	Area K3 Director
Debbie Crankshaw	Area K5 Director
Suzy Elks	Division L Director
Fiona Hippolite	Area L1 Director
Hasnaa Ahmed	Area L2 Director
Clifford Kerr-Phillips	Area L4 Director
Angela Radosits	Division N Director
Felix Fleming	Area N2 Director
Audrea Warner	Area N3 Director
Ben Ross	Division O Director
Penny Kennett	Area O1 Director
Nathan Piahana	Area O2 Director
Kulesh De Silva	Area O3 Director
Meegan Herewini	Area O4 Director
Liam Oades	Area O5 Director
Isabel Carter	Division P Director
Te Maramatanga Hohaia	Area P1 Director
Ralph Connor	Area P4 Director
Jess Vargas	Area P5 Director
Agnes Mazot	Area Q1 Director
Anne-Marie Andrews	Area Q3 Director
Neville Isherwood	Division R Director
Steve Holroyd	Area R2 Director
Helen Hunt	Area Q5 Director

Absentees:	
Baptist Lobo	Finance Manager
John O'Leary	Area K1 Director
Daniel Wang	Area K4 Director
Shyamal Maharaj	Division M Director
Robert McLaren	Area M1 Director
Clarence Tong	Area M2 Director
Thomas Newman	Area M4 Director
Loes St.Arther	Area M5 Director
Kate Scanlen	Area N1 Director
Appu Geetha Byju	Area N4 Director
Shruti Jani	Area N5 Director
Sandy Gelling	Area P2 Director
Vanshika Prakash	Area P3 Director
Richard Perkins	Division Q Director
Beatrix Theobald	Area Q2 Director
Fiona Perry	Area R1 Director
Marcus van Irsel	Area R3 Director
Robert Wightman	Area L3 Director
Ratna Shah	Area M3 Director