Minutes of the Virtual Annual Council Meeting
held via Zoom Conferencing on
Saturday 7 May 2022 at 1:30 pm

Attendance: Refer to attendance list appended at the end of these minutes.

1. Call to order and welcome

District Director, Stephen Budai, called the meeting to order and extended a warm welcome to everyone. He confirmed the officials for this meeting who were:

Presiding Officer – Stephen Budai DTM as District Director
District Parliamentarian - Murray Coutts DTM PDDG
Zoom Master – Troy Smith
District Chat Master – Elizabeth Viljoen
Ballot Counters – Alun Chisholm DTM PDG and Neil Stichbury DTM PDD
Timer – John O'Leary DTM

Procedures for a virtual District Council meeting were outlined. District Officers, Club Presidents and Vice Presidents Education were asked to rename themselves on the screen using the abbreviations for district officers, i.e. PRE for presidents and VPE for vice president education. The numbers appearing next to individual names indicate the number of votes the individuals carry. Members of the audience who wereare not a district or club officer were asked to simply use their first and second name on the screen.

The audience was advised that the Public Relations Manager may take screen shots of the gallery for publicity purposes and anyone not wishing to have their image shown can turn off their video. A warning would be given beforehand.

This meeting will be recorded as a back up to the minutes. The recording will be deleted once the next District Council meeting in September 2022 approves the minutes of this meeting.

District Director Stephen conveyed his sincere thanks to members of his team, and members of District 112, for their sterling support during year. His motto of "Members First" was at the forefront of all decision-making, and his journey has been incredible. He is committed to continue looking after the members until his term terminates on 30 June this year.

2. District Mission

Programme Quality Director, Wendy Wickliffe, read the District Mission, which is to build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence.

3. Credentials Report and Confirmation of Quorum

Credentials Chairman, Murray Coutts, advised that a quorum for a virtual District Council Meeting is one-third of club presidents and vice presidents education. The

District currently has 136 clubs in good standing, making 272 votes. One-third of this is 91 votes. There were 134 club officers present and he confirmed we do have a quorum.

4. Speaking Rights

District Director Stephen advised that Club Presidents, Vice Presidents Education and District Officers present have speaking rights at this meeting. This includes rights to move and second motions or amendments. He also extended speaking rights only to all past District Governors/Directors, current Field Officers, Region 12 Advisor Kaylene Ledgar, International Director Candidate Ben McCormick, incumbent International Director from Region 12 Lesley Storkey, Kevin Prohl and Dean Yee.

The process for speaking to a motion was outlined.

5. Voting

The maximum votes a district officer carries is three, made up of his own and up to two club votes. Club Presidents and Vice Presidents Education carry one vote each. The clubs they represent must be in good standing for their vote to be counted. The list of Club Presidents and Vice Presidents Education was taken from the Toastmasters International website current as at 6 May 2022.There are no proxies for a virtual Council meeting. If there was an opposition to a motion, a vote using the polling option in zoom would be used.

The process for conducting online voting was explained in detail, including the movements between breakout rooms according to the number of votes an officer carried.

6. In Memoriam

Since the last meeting of the District Council in November 2021, the District has lost two district champions. Chrissy Meyer DTM PDD was invited to recognise the loss of Alan Holloway DTM who passed away in April this year. Kevin Prohl DTM was invited to recognise the loss of David Nottage who also passed away in April this year.

Murray Coutts DTM and District Parliamentarian, was invited to recognise the loss of John Snashall, area governor for F3 in 2010-2011, who also passed away in April.

7. Apologies

Apologies were received from:

Name	Role	Club	Div/Area
Kate Thompson	President	North Shore Toastmasters	L3
Mai Nguyen	VPE	North Shore Toastmasters	L3
Alastair Priestley	VPE	M.A.R.C. Toastmasters	M1
Bond Cen	VPE	Eden-Epsom Toastmasters	M3

James Donald	President	Technically Toastmasters	M4
Ken Madsen	VPE	Shortland St Toastmasters	N2
Faye Storer	VPE	Waiheke Island Toastmasters	N4
Anastasia Danilova	VPE	Orators of Demosthenes Club	N5
Quency Wong	VPE	Morning Toast Toastmasters	O1
Jamie DeGreat	VPE	Howick Toastmasters	O3
Christine Grayson	President	Manurewa T.A.L.K Club	O5
Emma Stevens	VPE	Manurewa T.A.L.K Club	O5
Eileen Hawkins	President	Dawn Shakers Toastmasters	P4
Mike Salisbury	VPE	Dawn Shakers Toastmasters	P4
Karan Allen	President	Geyser Gourmet Toastmasters	Q2
LaVerne Hodson	President	Achieve Toastmasters	Q3
Rene Babbington	President	First City Toastmasters	Q5
Pimia Hewett	VPE	Eastland Toastmaster	Q5
Sara Burgess	VPE & Pre	Massey Toastmasters	R2
Fiona Hippolite	AD L1		
Felix Fleming	AD N2		
Fiona Perry	AD R1		
Steve Holroyd	AD R2		
Marcus van Irsel	AD R3		

THAT THE APOLOGIES BE ACCEPTED.

MOVED: Marlene Krone, District Administration Manager

8. Confirmation of Agenda

The agenda was confirmed.

THAT THE AGENDA BE ACCEPTED

MOVED:James Hippolite, Club Growth Director
SECONDED: Wendy Wickliffe, Programme Quality Director
CARRIED

9. Confirmation of Minutes of District Council Meeting held 24 September 2021

The minutes as circulated were confirmed.

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2021 AS CIRCULATED ARE CONFIRMED AS TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD OF THAT MEETING.

MOVED:Marlene Krone, District Administration Manager
SECONDED: Elizabeth Viljoen, Public Relations Manager
CARRIED

10. Matters arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

The District Administration Manager was asked to delete the recording of the District Council Neeting held on 24 September 2021, which she undertook to do.

11. Correspondence

The District Administration Manager confirmed there were no items of correspondence.

12. Confirmation of Officer Appointments since the September 2021 District Council Meeting

There were no appointments made since the September 2021 District Council meeting.

13. District Audit Committee Report

In the absence of the District Finance Manager, District Director Stephen presented the half year District Audit Report. The report was compiled by Jilnaught Wong as Audit Chairman, assisted by Andrew Eberhard and Maris Dunn. Toastmasters International has received the report and there were no issues raised against it.

THAT THE REPORT OF THE DISTRICT HALF YEAR AUDIT COMMITTEE BE RECEIVED

MOVED: Wendy Wickliffe, Programme Quality Director
SECONDED: Neville Isherwood, Division R Director
CARRIED

14. District Financial Statement for the period 1 July to 31 December 2021

District Director Stephen presented the financial statement for the period 1 July to 31 December 2021. The budget underspend was due largely to events not taking place because of Covid.

A member questioned why this report was for six months and not nine months to March 2022. District Parliamentarian Murray replied that District Procedures require that the financial statements for the six months to December 2021 is presented at this Council meeting, and the full year report is presented at the Annual Council Meeting in September this year. In responding to a question about the quantum of membership revenue the District receives from Toastmasters International, District Parliamentarian Murray said 25% of the membership revenue goes to the District.

THAT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY TO 31 DECEMBER 2021 BE APPROVED.

MOVED: Murray Coutts, District Parliamentarian
SECONDED: Ben Ross, Division O Director
CARRIED

15. Profit & Loss Report for period 1 January 31 March 2022

District Director Stephen presented the Profit & Loss Report for the period 1 January to 31 March 2022. The April membership revenue figures were not available in time to be included in this report. This report was for information only.

There were no questions on the report.

16. Reports

16.1 Public Relations Manager, Elizabeth Viljoen, presented her report as published, with no verbal updates.

16.2 Club Growth Director, James Hippolite, presented his report as published, with the following updates:

- membership increased to 85% from 80% previously reported
- there are 13 clubs in formation, of which two have submitted charter documents and were waiting to secure the 20 members required to charter. The others have yet to submit their charter documents.

16.3 Programme Quality Director, Wendy Wickcliffe, presented her report as published, with the following updates:

- Education awards have increased by 50 to 1,092
- Triple Crown Awards have increased by 5 to 89
- Training date for the outgoing and incoming top table and division directors is 28 May 2022
- Area director training will be booked in June
- The next District Executive Committee meeting and District Officer training is booked for 9 July
- Two corrections to the names of contestants were made, namely Roslynn Young and Gerard Hulst

16.4 Immediate Past District Director, Sharon Kerr-Phillips, presented her report with the following updates:

- The DLC (District Leadership Committee) report became invalid because it was not published on time. It missed its deadline by a handful of hours. To avoid this happening again in the future, it was suggested that the District Parliamentarian be proactive in reminding the District Director a week before the due date.
- Sharon conveyed her sincere thanks to the district leaders for their work during the year.

16.5 District Director, Stephen Budai, presented his report as published, with no further updates.

16.6 Consideration of the Reports

The reports were open for discussion.

In respect of Sharon Kerr-Phillips report, District Director Stephen said that he takes full responsibility for the late publication of the DLC report.

In respect of the Club Growth Director's report, District Parliamentarian Murray said that one of the clubs in formation – Northern Impromptu – was three members short of chartering and invited anyone interested to join. For more information, contact either Neville Isherwood divdr@d112tm.org.nz or Murray Coutts parliamentarian@d112tm.org.nz .

THAT THE REPORTS OF THE TRIO, PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER AND IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR BE APPROVED

MOVED: Marlene Krone, Administration Manager
SECONDED: Richard Perkins, Division Q Director
CARRIED

17. District Structure for the 2022-2023 Toastmasters Year

Each year the District reviews the assignment of clubs into Areas and Divisions for the following year. The report of the District Alignment Committee was completed and published on the District website prior to the final results of the March renewal round. There were further movements to be made. Consequently, the District recommended an amendment to the assignment of clubs to areas and divisions for the following year.

THAT THE CHANGES IN THE ASSIGNMENT OF CLUBS TO AREAS AND DIVISIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR AS PROPOSED BY THE DISTRICT ALIGNMENT COMMITTEE BE APPROVED

MOVED: Ben Ross, Divisoin O Director
SECONDED: Neville Isherwood, Division R Director
CARRIED

THAT THE MOVEMENT OF KURA KORERO O MICROSOFT 7892896 FROM AREA N1 TO AREA N5 BE APPROVED

MOVED: Elizabeth Viljoen, Public Relations Manager
SECONDED: James Hippolite, Club Growth Director
CARRIED

18. Election of District Officers

As advised to members of the Council, the report of the District Leadership Committee was invalid and did not comply with TI Protocol 9.0. Therefore, nominations would be invited from the floor. The process to follow for nominations from the floor, and for roles with two or more nominations, was explained. The order of elections was as follows:

- District Director
- Programme Quality Director
- Club Growth Director

- Division Director roles (in alphabetical order of division)

The nominations process took place.

District Director Stephen declared the following confirmed positions:

- **District Director for the 2022-2023** – **Wendy Wickliffe** (nominated by Barry Shaw, VPE Meadowbank Toastmasters)

- **Programme Quality Director for 2022-2023** – **James Hippolite** (nominated by Shane Fenton, VPE Academic Toastmasters)

There were two nominations for the role of Club Growth Director, being Richard Perkins and Ben Ross. Both candidates gave their 2-minute election speeches. Members were then allocated to breakout rooms to exercise their votes.

Address from International Director Candidate, Ben McCormick

While the votes were being counted, Ben McCormick, International Director Candidate joined the meeting to present his candidacy address. His message to members was that Toastmasters International is there to serve you, to empower you and provide you with strategic vision. If elected, his role will be to drive openess and accountability about Board decisions. Toastmasters International is committed to driving research and development to better serve clubs around the world. He asked members to support his nomination and to vote for him at the elections to be held at the Toastmasters International Annual Council Meeting in August this year in Nashville Tennesse. Ben's profile can be located on the Toastmasters International website on the Board of Directors page.

Ben thanked the District for the opportunity to speak at this Council meeting, and he looks forward to working with the District in the future.

District Director Stephen declared the following confirmed position:

- **Club Growth Director for 2022-2023** - **Richard Perkins**

Election of Division Directors for 2022-2023 took place.

The following roles were confirmed:

Division K Director – Ines Currin (nominated by Murray Coutts, VPE Silverdale-Orewa Club)

Division L Director – Meegan Herewini (nominated by Shane Fenton – VPE Academic/Northwest Club)

Division M Division – no appointment.

Division N Director – Suzy Elks (nominated by Aroha Heene, President, Pacific Club)

Division O Director – Nathan Piahana (nominatd by Meegan Herewini, President of Sunnynook Club)

Division P Director – Te Maramatanga Hohaia (nominated by Murray Coutts, VPE Auckland Advanced Club)

Division Q Director – Margaret Simons (nominated by David Rei Miller, President PN Advanced Club)

Division R Director – Neville Isherwood (nominated by Sheryl McGrath President Palmerston North Club)

District Director Stephen congratulation all the elected district officers.

19. 2022-2023 Appointment of District Officers

District Director-Elect, Wendy Wickliffe, announced her rest of her incoming team for the 2022-2023 year. They are:

District Public Relations Manager	Sabrina Naseem
District Administration Manager	Ben Ross
District Finance Manager	Kulesh de Silva

Area Directors confirmed to date:

Area Director K1	Nikki Voakes
Area Director K3	Christiaan Bradenkamp
Area Director K4	Sarndra Urwin
Area Director K5	Marcus Bristol DTM
Area Director L1	Vladimir Kvasnicka
Area Director L4	Elizabeth Viljoen
Area Director M2	Margot Burton
Area Director N3	Morgan Dolfing
Area Director O2	Ashley Doo
Area Director O3	Mark Tweedale
Area Director O4	Quency Wong
Area Director O5	Jennifer Kerr
Area Director P1	Wendy Smith

THAT THE APPOINTMENTS AS LISTED ABOVE BE APPROVED

MOVED: Wendy Wickliffe, District Director-Elect
SECONDED: James Hippolite, Programme Quality Director-Elect
CARRIED

District Director-Elect, Wendy Wickliffe, announced her field officers for the 2022-2023 year. These appointments are key members of the District team but are not members of the District Executive Committee. They are:

District Parliamentarian	Alun Chisholm DTM PDD
District Logistics Manager	John O'Leary DTM

20. 2023 District Conference

Ben Ross shared his proposal for the 2023 District Conference to be held in Auckland, as follows:

Proposed Date:	4-6 May 2023 (avoids Mothers Day)
Conference theme:	"Return of the Toastmaster"
Location:	Karaka Pavilion, 10 Hinau Road, Karaka 2113 30 seconds from Papakura Interchange on State Highway 1 22 minutes from Auckland Airport
Accommodation:	Primary: Double Tree by Hilton (on conference grounds) Secondary: Sebel Manukau (14mins via State Highway 1)
Parking:	Free
Dinner theme:	Top and Tales (1920 USA-era Blues and Jass) Ladies - Ellerslie race day frocks Gentlemen – black shoes, black pants, white shirt, black tie and coat tails
Accessibility:	Options available onsite
Registration cost:	$65 for all three conference days (no part event charges) Dinner $60 per person (includes dessert but not drinks) Drinks $65 per person (unlimited alcohollic drinks for 5 hours (blue bracelet) Drinks $20 per person (unlimited juice and fizzy drinks for 5 hours (yellow bracelet) Cash bar
Accommodation:	from $238 per night
Conference total:	$125 (conference and dinner) without accommodation $601 (conference and dinner) with accommodation

A conference committee list will be provided to the District Trio for approval. If anyone is interested in helping on the committee, to contact Ben Ross on ben.r001@gmail.com.

21. Valedictory Speech from Sharon Kerr-Phillips

In the interests of time, Sharon's valedictory speech was deferred to Sunday 8 May, to be delivered prior to the conclusion of the District Conference.

22. Close

The meeting closed at 3:47 pm.

Attendance list

Club Officer	Role	Club
Stephen Budai	District Director	
Wendy Wickliffe	Programme Quality Director	
James Hippolite	Club Growth Director	
Marlene Krone	District Admin Manager	
Sabrina Naseem	Division K Director	
Suzy Elks	Division L Director	
Angela Radosits	Division N Director	
Ben Ross	Division O Director	
Isabel Carter	Division P Director	
Richard Perkins	Division Q Director	
Neville Isherwood	Division R Director	
John O'Leary	Area Director K1	
Ines Curin	Area Director K3	
Daniel Wang	Area Director K4	
Nathan Piahana	Area Director L2	
Hamish Van Lier	Area Director L2	
Rob Wightman	Area Director L3	
Clifford Kerr-Phillips	Area Director L4	
Robert McLaren	Area Director M1	
Graham Gunn	Area Director M3	
Thomas Newman	Area Director M4	
Kulesh de Silva	Area Director O3	
Te Maramatanga Hohaia	Area Director P1	
Leighton Gelling	Area Director P2	
Vanshika Prakash	Area Director P3	
Ralph Connor	Area Director P4	
Agnes Mazot	Area Director Q1	
Helen Hunt	Area Director Q5	
Grant Pepper	President	Papakura
Heather Riches	President	Taumarunui
Philip Turner	President	West Harbour
Sheryl McGrath	President	Palmerston North
Craig Holz	President	Te Awamutu
Angela Guptill	President	Wiri Ramblers
Paige McKenzie	President	Varsity
Andrew Broxholme	President	Kawerau
Ros Lee	President	Kickstart Tauranga
Lance Clark	President	MITe Speakers
Lorraine Tang	President	Whangarei
Brett Dickson	President	Orion Health
Serena Irving	President	Silver Service
Scott Howell	President	Taupo
Rose Olive	President	Arawa
Tom Zhu	President	MCBC

Shalini Jennings	President	Devonport Esplanade
Lukshmi Ranasinghe	President	Eden Epsom
Declan Langston	President	Albany
Eileen Hawkins	President	Dawn Shakers
Kymberly Jones	President	Shortland Street
Rohan Desousa	President	Glenfield
Annette Fenton	President	Academic
Charlotte O'Shea	President	Orakei
Laurence Speedy	President	Karaka
Kim Baxter	President	IPU New Zealand
Craig Robinson	President	Napier
Kristen Whitehead	President	Franklin
Christine Alcott	President	Pakuranga
Rose Oosthuysen	President	Toastmasters @ Lunchtime
Neil Stichbury	President	Auckland Advanced
Jesse Knight	President	Auckland
Lovise Hellner	President	Spark Speakers
Helen Ivess	President	Ngamotu Breakfast
Lindsay Ng	President	Maungakiekie
Angela Yang	President	One Hour
Susan Warrington	President	Onehunga
Christiaan William	President	Silverdale Orewa
Rodd Castle	President	Kings Speech
Katrina Hudson DTM	President	Dynamic Diners
Judy Waugh	President	Hibiscus Coast
Sophie Almeida	President	Commercial Bay
Margaret McClintock	President	Rotorua
Umesh Thakur	President	Botany
David Lochery	President	North West
Stephen Lindsay	President	Review
David Miller	President	PN Advanced
Vincent Chan	President	Meadowbank
Jafar Rizvi	President	Toast of Broadway
Maria Fastnedge	President	Wake Up Communicate
Maris Dunn	President	Remuera
Zafraan Ameer	President	Datacom
Kitty Zeng	President	Toastmasters at Kristin
Tony Sisson	President	Whanganui
Marcus Bristol	President	Auckland
Aroha Heene	President	Pacific
Amy Overington	President	DRI Remarks
Seumas McCroskery	President	First Impressions
Richard Jebb	President	Rosedale
Meegan Herewini	President	Sunnynook
Troy Smith	President	Hokianga
Stacey Marris	President / VPE	Ellerslie Sunrise, MITe, Te Papa
Sara Burgess	President / VPE	Massey

Carol Bannister	President / VPE	Lake City Breakfast, Geyser Gourmet
Ian Acheson	President	Dairy Flat
Vladimir Kvasnicka	VPE	West Harbour
Georgie Templeton	VPE	Dynamic Diners
Jennie Perkins	VPE	Lake City
Luke Howlett	VPE	Commercial Bay
Madelaine Luke	VPE	Rosedale
Daniel Brereton	VPE	Toastmasters @ Lunchtime
Nirmala Shanmugam	VPE	Taniwha Hunters
Tim Charleson	VPE	Lake City Breakfast
Carolynne Rennie	VPE	Takapuna Toasters
Steve Vale	VPE	Auckland Toastmasters
Sandra Maddison	VPE	Silver Service
Rae Clark	VPE	Te Papa
Natasha Turnbull	VPE	Takapuna Midday, Tohi
Bond Cen	VPE	Eden Epsom
Mike Diggins	VPE	Wiri Ramblers
Tony Gunby	VPE	Hibiscus Coast
Dan Windwood	VPE	Kings Speech
John DiLeo	VPE	Datacom
Nick Woods	VPE	Albany
Helen Korte	VPE	Maungakiekie
Peter McCutcheon	VPE	Ponsonby
Tracy Bovett	VPE	Nga Manu Reo
Wendy Smith	VPE	Pukekura, New Plymouth
Alun Chisholm	VPE	Pakuranga
Harrison Leach	VPE	AM
Shane Fenton	VPE	Auckland
Murray Coutts	VPE	Auckland Advanced, Silverdale Orewa
Monica Bayldon	VPE	Orakei
Brad Nielsen	VPE	Onehunga
Jane Atkinson	VPE	Ernst & Young Achieving Potential
Jamie Gleeson	VPE	Kura Korero Microsoft
Leah Rickard	VPE	Orion Health
Ariane Kracke	VPE	Spark Speakers
Ilaisaane Tuakalau	VPE	Three Kings
Ashley Doo	VPE	Ellerslie Sunrise
Anuradha Diyagama	VPE	Franklin
Peter Crofskey	VPE	Hastings
Mirella Soratroi	VPE	One Hour
Susan Boubee	VPE	Cambridge
Mark Tweedale	VPE	Botany
David Regan	VPE	Eastern Bays
Helen Madden	VPE	East Coast Bays
Thomas Bailie	VPE	Early Birds
Kate Scanlen	VPE	Ma Runga Waka
Martyn Ecroyd	VPE	Warkworth

Paul Malan	VPE	Papakura
Morgan Dolfing	VPE	Talking Heads
Gary Inwood	VPE	Flying Start
Paulette Gotz	VPE	Arawa
Vanessa Jepson	VPE	Toastmasters at Kristin
Alastair Priestley	VPE	M.A.R.C.
Margaret Simons	VPE	Palmerston North
Elizabeth Viljoen	VPE	Bell Block
Jane Apoiliu Stephen	VPE	Pacific
Wendy Booth	VPE	Pioneers
Sayaka Takeda	VPE	Harrison Road
Luke Howlett	VPE	Auckland
Gavin Lamb	VPE	Whangarei
Sreechitra Sreedharan	VPE	Sunnynook
Sharon Kerr-Phillips	VPE	Training Online, Watch This Space
Chrissy Meyer	VPE / President	Achieve, Katikati, Thames, Papamoa
Barry Shaw	VPE / President	MCBC, Meadowbank, Eco City
Peter Nowell	VPE	On Top