

Audit Committee Statement

District 112 New Zealand North Audit Committee Statement 2022 - 2023

Audit Committee

Chair - Aroha Heene Member - Allister Jennings Member - Shane Fenton *We confirm we are appointed by the District Director and have training/ background in basic accounting and experience, we do not form any part of the district executive committee*

The District Audit Committee is responsible for reviewing and substantiating whether District funds have been spent in accordance with the mission and governing documents of Toastmasters International.

The audit was conducted in accordance with the Policy and Procedures of Toastmasters, International and Toastmasters New Zealand North District 112 Procedures Version 11 [effective 18 Sept 2022] and Toastmasters New Zealand North District Expenses and Travel Policy issued in terms of District 112 Procedure 12.7 [effective 1 July 2022]

Mid-year report completed - for the period July 2022 through December 2022

The audit for the 6 months ended 31 December 2022 was completed in February 2023.

End-year report completed - for the period January 2022 through June 2023

The audit for the 6 months ended 30 June 2023 was completed in September 2023.

The committee verified that expense claims were appropriately approved with supporting documentation and are satisfied there was no unauthorised use of funds. The District financial reports accurately reflect District income and expenses.

Toastmasters WHQ Audit Committee Guidelines have been fully complied with for the 6 months to 31 December 2022 and for the 6 months to 30 June 2023

Attached herein:

- 1. Audit Committee Feb 2023_20230215_0003
- 2. D112 Cert of Half yearly results 31 Dec 2022
- 3. D112 Narratives for the Certificate_Dec2022
- 4. D112_Certification and Audio Committee Year end sign of Documents_30June2023
- 5. D112_Quarter 4 Certification_June2023
- 6. D112_Narratives Pages_Quarter4_2022-23

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Aroha Heene District Audit Committee Chair



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Exception noted - no evidence provided for the pre-approval of transactions over \$500, or pre-approval of transactions before the use of a debit card. Post transaction approval documentation was available and sighted.

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	INSTRUCTIONS: 1. Complete all sections on the Narrai 2. Fill in the white cells below with the 3. Obtain related signature below. The 4. Distribute monthly reports per Toal Quality Director and Club Growth Director 5. Quarter reports due to World I - September Report: Oc	e appropriate information a yped signatures are not stmasters International pro- ector within 30 days after the Headquarters:	acceptable. tocol 8.4, to the District Director, Prog	iram
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	in Base Currency		NZD	
ļ	Monthly Net Income/(Loss)		(2,796.26)	
1	Year to Date Net Income/(Loss)	± 200	17,504.61	
ł	Total Available Funds		143,252.48	

 We, the undersigned, certify that all District financial records have been made available to the Audit Committee for inspection and that any unpaid bills or other outstanding obligations for the 2022-2023 term have been reported to the Audit Committee and included in accruals section of this audit. We further certify that there are no other outstanding District obligations incurred for the 2022-2023 term.

Dated this	17	day of	April 2023
District Director (for		d)	

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District Finance Manager (for the year audited)

Complete only for the Mid-year Report and Year-end Report:

2. We, the undersigned members of the Audit Committee, have examined the records of District 112 for the 2022-2023 term in accordance with the Audit Committee Guidelines* and believe that this report property reflects the operation for that term.

17 April 2023 Dated this day of a Chairman 1

Member

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DISTRICT 112

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Membership Dues Allocation

Membership payments received less than budgeted for.

Many factors have impacted this: Several clubs were suspended and members have not renewed their membership in multiple clubs.

Conference Net Income/(Loss)

The conference is to be held in May 2023. The conference committee has budgeted for a breakeven.

Fundraising Net Income/(Loss)

No fundraising events were held. None budgeted for.

District Store Net Income/(Loss)

No district store.

Marketing Outside of Toastmasters

Our events are marketed, mainly on FaceBook, 50th club anniversaries, and area/division contests.



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Recognition

The main focus of our District this half-year was on Division Conferences and Awards Celebration Night for 2020/21 and 2021/22 years.

Budget was set aside for conference giveaways.

There were no unexpected expenses.

Club Growth

Support Workshops were conducted with an emphasis at COT to realise that our membership and club standing is not in good shape.

We have provided supportive workshops in many areas. These include club coaching, judging, personal success plans and Club supportive programs (for clubs without coaches). The reversal of accruals at 30/6/2022 has caused the negative expense.

Public Relations

We continued to promote on FaceBook the events of our clubs. Two clubs achieved their 50th birthday one in August, and another in September.

The continuous use of Facebook has been encouraged and the uptake up has improved. The Daily Postings are ongoing. e.g. Monday, Moment etc. Facebook Boosting and Google Ads are used. No outside contractors have yet been used.

Education and Training

The main focus of our District this half year was on DOT and COT.

There were no unexpected expenses.

DOT event was held in the same venue as DEC and therefore, costs were coded to Administration. COT workshops were held on Zoom. These resulted in a low expenditure.

Speech Contests

The main focus of our District this quarter was on Humorous and Table Topics contests, at the Area and Division level. There were no unexpected expenses.

Spending was lighter than expected on venue hire. Many Areas opted to have combined contests to encourage higher numbers to attend and economise on costs. Also, the hybrid format helped to hire smaller venues. These contributed to a low level of expenditure than budgeted.

Administration

Zoom subscription was the major expenditure.

The reversal of last year's large accrual for courier fees (\$2K) kept the overall expenditure low.

Food and Meals

Some refreshments at Speech Contests were coded under this category. The expenditure is negligible.

Travel



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Lodging

International Convention and a Club 50th Anniversary Event were the main items of expenditure in this category. There were no unexpected items of expenditure.

Lodging during International Convention far exceeded the budget (\$6.1K Vs \$4.5K). The expense was under-budgeted.

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Membership payments - Promoted to members the early payment before TI's increase in membership fees. The uptake was positive. This helped to get closer to budget.

Conference Net Income/(Loss)

The conference held in May was a resounding success netting a surplus of \$1,833.

Fundraising Net Income/(Loss)

No fundraising events were held or budgeted for.

District Store Net Income/(Loss)

No District Store.

Marketing Outside of Toastmasters

District continued to use Google and Facebook advertisements as the main tools and the PRM continued to be active on promoting regularly on Linked-in and our social media pages to highlight the benefits of being a toastmaster. Most of these promotions were at minimal cost with a good reach externally.



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Recognition

Expenditure was on Pins and Badges and other incentives. The expenditure remained within budget.

Club Growth

Club growth is very low because of the reversal of a large accrual from last year.

Public Relations

Focus was on engaging with members. Monday to Friday posts initiated with a theme for each day of the week e.g., Wednesday - word of the day, Friday - toastmasters funny. This was replicated on instagram as well.

Education and Training

DOT held with outgoing and incoming district officers to complete the handover for all roles. Review 22-23 strategies and help shape 23-24 district strategies. Venue booked for district awards and district training 23-24.

Speech Contests

International speech contest expenses in last quarter

Administration

IT subscriptions were the main items of expenditure.

Food and Meals

DOT lunch for strategy meeting held at DOT

Travel



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