

**FOUNDER'S DISTRICT COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 13, 2010**



Presiding Officer: Founder's District Governor, Ede Ferrari D'Angelo, DTM

Presiding District Sergeant at Arms, Lee Lance, CC, CL, introduced District Governor, Ede Ferrari D'Angelo, DTM.

District Governor, Ede Ferrari D'Angelo, DTM called the meeting to order at 11:55 am and welcomed the attendees of the Fall District Council business meeting.

Edith Alson, CC, CL read the District Mission.

District Governor, Ede Ferrari D'Angelo, DTM once again welcomed all attendees to Founder's District Business Meeting. She explained that this meeting included members of the District council and as members, they had a chance to make and vote on decisions. She thanked everyone for participating. She mentioned that a business packet has been provided to attendees containing all pertinent materials and that they could refer to it as we progress through the business meeting. She then presented those seated at the head table, District Secretary, Chandra Persad, DTM and District Parliamentarian, Norm Cook, DTM, PDG.

Appointment of the Minutes Approval Committee

District Governor, Ede Ferrari D'Angelo, DTM appointed Eileen Hope, DTM, PDG Committee Chair of the Minutes Approval Committee for the November 13, 2010 District Council Meeting. In addition, District Governor, Ede Ferrari D'Angelo, DTM appointed Joyce Persichilli, DTM, PDG and Terri Sebastian, DTM as members of the Committee.

They were charged with reviewing the minutes of the meeting.

Appointment of Timers

The Chair appointed Toastmasters Celly Adamo, DTM, PDG and Teresa Ortega Rosenbaum as timers.

Credentials Committee Report

Chandra Persad, DTM, District Secretary, presented the Credentials Committee report. She reported that there were 201 clubs chartered. One-third of the 402 club votes, or 134, were required for a quorum. The number of registered voting delegates was 158 (137 + 21). Therefore, a quorum was present. The number of votes needed for a majority was 80 and two-thirds vote required 105. She reported that we had a quorum and were able to conduct District business.

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Adoption of the Business Meeting Agenda

District Governor, Ede Ferrari D'Angelo, DTM reported that the agenda for the afternoon's meeting was contained on Page 2 of the packet.
With no objections, the Business Meeting Agenda was adopted.

Adoption for the Business Meeting Ground Rules

District Governor, Ede Ferrari D'Angelo, DTM reported that the business meeting ground rules were contained on Page 3 of the business packet.
With no objections, the Business Meeting Ground Rules were adopted.

Minutes Approval Committee Report (April 2010)

The minutes of Spring 2010 District Council Meeting was contained on Pages 4-6 of the business meeting packet. Peg Klink, DTM, Minutes Approval Committee Chair had approved the minutes of the Spring 2010 District Business Meeting but should be confirmed by the District Council present.

She asked if anyone had questions about the spring meeting.
Bob Hudack, VPE, Club 9524, Zotspeak Club asked if all the reports provided were available for folks to review. Ede reported that the minutes were available but she would find out about the other reports.

The Spring 2010 District Council Minutes were adopted.

2009-2010 Audit Report (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010)

Linda Ulrich, DTM presented the Audit Report found on pages 11-15 of the Business-meeting packet. The District Governor, Ede reported that the DEC Council approved the Audit report at the last DEC meeting but the Council here today needed to approve it.

Alfred Herzing, Club 9591 Yorba Linda Achievers, reported that in Section 4, the District Store had purchased from Headquarters items for \$7,000. It showed that they were 39% over budget, spending \$9,700. He requested an explanation on this. Audit Committee Chair, Linda Ulrich responded that these purchases were used at various Conferences. Attendance was not as they anticipated and that the overage has been turn back as inventory.

Without objection, the Year End Audit was approved.

2010-2011 Annual Budget (July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011)

District Treasurer, Bryce Robbins, ACB, CL presented the Annual Budget report found on pages 16-22 of the Business-meeting packet. The Trio and himself have approved and signed the budget but the district council present must confirm it.

Without objection, the Annual Budget was approved.

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2010-2011 District Treasurer's Report

District Treasurer, Bryce Robbins, ACB, CL presented the District Officer Treasurer Report found on page 23 of the Business-meeting packet.

He reported that he has submitted the September report. Gary Osterbach had been selected as this year's Audit Committee Chair. He will be meeting with him after the District Fall Conference to review the first quarter's financials and prepare them for the first audit in January.

He expressed his gratitude to all the Division Governors for submitting all reports on time.

The Treasurer's Report would be filed with the District Secretary.

District Officer Appointment for 2010-2011

District Governor, Ede Ferrari D'Angelo, DTM asked for a motion to confirm the appointments of the District Officers for 2010-2011. The DEC had approved and confirmed the District Officers listed on Page 7 of the business-meeting packet.

District Governor, Ede Ferrari D'Angelo reported that she was happy to report that all Divisions were focused on achieving distinguished status. The Division Governor reports were included in the business packet (pages 12 through 18). These reports were not presented orally. District Governor, Ede Ferrari-D'Angelo, DTM asked that the Division Governors stand and be recognized.

The appointments for the year 2010-2011 were confirmed.

2010-2011 District Club Alignment

Past District Governor, Bob Hudack, DTM asked for a motion to approve the District Club Alignment for 2010-2011 as shown below.

November 2010-2011 Realignment notes:

Overarching concerns in alignment are to balance the workload among the district officers, and to serve the clubs effectively.

Last Spring, realignment committee members and Division Governors had ample time to comment. Changes in B, E, and H were group efforts. Three items below are repeated from the Spring conference for clarity.

1. Division B - Balancing out areas after moving easternmost San Dimas clubs to Division H.
2. Division E - Whittier Clubs from H4 moved into E. Creation of Area E5 & rebalancing.
3. Division H - Whittier area clubs now in Division E. San Dimas area clubs now in Division H. Lots of rebalancing. Old B5 is now H3

Depending on where clubs grow and where they vanish, in the future the district may

- a. Consider the 605 or similar as a B - H divider
- b. Move Division C's Costa Mesa clubs to Division A

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- c. Rework boundaries for Divisions E, D, and C. But use North-South teardrop shapes as opposed to broad East-West boundaries.

Area	Number	Name	Charter date
A2	1531744	Moss Adams LLP	8/6/2010
A2	1537909	imadesign	9/29/2010
A4	1507645	Vineyard Journeys	6/22/2010
A4	1540787	EmuLects	10/18/2010
A4	1565170	English as a Second Language Toastmasters Club # 1	10/29/2010
A5	1544437	Hardhatters	9/10/2010
B4	1468354	ITT/DSN	4/29/2010
C5	1498166	O.C. Project Masters	6/8/2010
D2	1500431	KHS & S Communicators	7/27/2010
D3	1537449	Albertson's SoCal Toastmasters	10/27/2010
D4	1364105	Stand and Deliver	10/10/2010
E5	1437860	RRCC Toastmasters	4/19/2010
E4	1492981	New Horizons	6/17/2010
G2	1452902	Ritz Lions	5/21/2010
G4	1509315	ev3 Toastmasters	6/22/2010
H1	1445258	Bridge To Success Toastmasters	4/1/2010
H2	1543079	Centerpointe	9/9/2010
H4	1562217	LA Works (Irwindale)	11/11/10 (est.)

The alignment was approved.

District Officer Reports

The top four District Officers presented their reports. Hard copies were in the business packet.

- **Public Relations Officer – Cynthia Trinidad, DTM reported:**
 - PR office has been very busy with “Celebrate Founder’s Members achievements” being published in the News section of Founder’s website.
 - They have demonstrated as PR Chair in each division that to succeed, we need to be trained, communicate and then lead. For PR team to lead, they need to spring into action. They have a training calendar for the e_Team, Webmaster, Editor, Bulk mail and Email Coordinator. The Team held bonus training earlier in the year at selected divisions.
 - Every month, the chairs from each division meet and share what they can provide to the members and clubs.
 - She reported that the PR team love to hear from the members. If they want to publish articles, photos of events, get in touch with the PR office, or contact Norm Cook, District Webmaster.

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- **Lt Governor Marketing – Richard Elliott, DTM reported:**
 - He had good news and no bad news and that Founder's District was on its way to being President's Distinguished.
 - In fact, he repeated what John Lau, 1st VP of Toastmasters challenged Founder's District to be #1 in the world, and that this year, "by George" or "by John", we will make it happen!
 - The game is all about clubs, clubs and more clubs!
 - Currently, we chartered 11 clubs and received another one ready to go!
 - He encouraged everyone that this could only be done by very able helpers, helping to keep clubs strong. He repeated there are a whole core of Toastmasters and coaches who are helping clubs.
 - He requested TM to step up – there are struggling clubs, clubs ready to charter, clubs that need coaches/mentors and sponsors. We need experienced TM to help and provide guidance.
 - He concluded with "President's Distinguished in 2011".

- **Lt Governor Education and Training – Wes Hoover, DTM reported:**
 - Six individuals have accomplished the Triple Crown – these Toastmasters achieved three educational awards for the same club in one year.
 - As compared to last year, we have 32.6% of CC goal completed, 49.4% of goal for ACs.
 - He applauded all for their efforts!
 - He encouraged the members that we would not be President's Distinguished but #1 in the world!
 - He will be focusing on ACs and leadership awards through recognition and additional training opportunities.
 - He provided updates on "Woody, the Wandering Gavel".

- **District Governor - Ede Ferrari-D'Angelo, DTM reported:**

All information was contained in the Business packet but she would like to share a few items:

 1. We talk about numbers, but that number represented a person, that number represented a goal for the club, a dream, and the District was the beneficiary of that goal. The club, the Area, the Division and the District benefit from that. We have 203 clubs and we are in Region 10, #2 in paid clubs and #1 in Membership payment. We are #16 in the world in paid clubs and #8 in the world for Membership payment.
 2. John Lau has motivated us. Founder's District is where this all started, be the Vanguard, set the bar for the rest of the world, and she challenged each one to take John Lau's advice and become #1 in the world.

New Business

There was no new business reported to the District Secretary. However, the District Governor requested that if there was any new business, please take the time to do so now.

No new business was reported at this time.

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Announcements

- The District Governor asked everyone to turn in their conference evaluation sheets because we were genuinely interested in finding out how we can improve our conferences that even more members would benefit by attending.
- She announced the next District Council Meeting would take place on Saturday, April 16, 2011 at Double Tree in Orange, CA.
- She called on Joyce Persichilli, DTM to make announcement on the Marketing Workshop. Joyce reported that this will be held on January 15th 2011 at a location to be announced later and will be hosted by Past District Leaders from Club 407 and encouraged everyone to attend to learn more about membership growth.
- District Governor, EDE announced the winners of the Evaluation contest:
 - ❖ 3rd Place Winner – Rich Farina
 - ❖ 2nd Place – Nigel Blackwell
 - ❖ 1st Place Winner – Lynne Leite

The meeting adjourned at 12:50am.

Respectfully submitted by:

Chandra Persad, DTM
2010-2011 District Secretary

Approved by:



Eileen G. Hope
24, 2011

January

Eileen Hope, DTM, PDG, Minutes Approval Committee Chair

Date:

Joyce Persichilli

01/24/2011

Joyce Persichilli, DTM, PDG, Minutes Approval Committee Member

Date:

Terri Sebastian

2/16/2011

Terri Sebastian, DTM, Minutes Approval Committee Member

Date: