

Minutes for the District Council Meeting on 06th May 2023 at 9:00 Meeting venue: Elephant Hills and Zoom

AGENDA ITEM

	Meeting opened	Credentials desk opened at 8:00 until 08:59
1.	Call to Order Welcome & Introductions	Starting time: 9:00 Our District Director Andrew Tsuro, DTM opened and welcomed the District 74 council members to District Council Meeting 2022/2023. He also mentioned that the meeting serves 2 purposes: • It is primarily to conduct the business of the district, and • Serves also as an educational session for all Toastmasters. Council members in-person and online were introduced as follows:
		Cabinet Program Quality Director Club Growth Directors Public Relations Manager Administration Manager Administration Manager Finance Manager Logistics Manager Immediate Past District Director Angie Kivido Granny Be Botha & Zivai Matondo, DTMs Bhekisisa Ngomane, DTM Vuyisile Vuthela, DTM Keamogetswe Molebalwa, DTM Tebogo Ramaahlo, DTM Njabulo Thela, DTM

	Division Directors.
	Next was our Division Directors and once again requested to please switch on your camera when called upon: Division A –Virginia Hlatshwayo
	Division B – Ravin Papiah, DTM
	Division D – VuyokaziNtshangani
	Division E – Michelle Williams, DTM
	Division H –EniasChingwe, DTM
	Division I –Luyanda Thela, DTM
	Division L –Nomonde Booi, DTM Division M – Robert Salijeni, DTM
	Division O – BameMotsumi
	Division P –Jan Hlatshwayo
	Division S –Sikhanyisile Mabhena
	Division Y – Bryton Masiye
	Division Z –Liza Zidongo
	Ladies & Gentlemen, the Cabinet together with the Division Directors form the District 74Directorate.
	Area Directors
	All Area Directors were requested to please switch on your cameras.
	The Cabinet together with the Division Directors and the Area Directors form the
	District Executive Committee or DEC.
	Club Presidents & Vice Presidents Education
	All Club Presidents and Vice Presidents Education were asked to please switch on your cameras.
	Ladies & Gentlemen, the District Executive Committeetogether with the Presidents and VPEs form the District 74
	Council. This is the highest decision modified by decision 74
	This is the highest decision-making body within District 74.
	Coordinators
	Assisting our District Executive members, we have a large number of District Coordinators. All Coordinators were
	requested to please switch on your cameras and be recognised
	Past District Governors
1	1 dot District Governors

		Distinguished Toastmasters all: Nikki Quinn Frank Tsuro Keith Bowen Sandra Cooper Aletta Rochat Rob Douglas Tim Knights
	District Mission	We build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence.
3.	Guest Speaker	Anald Junior Musonza 2021 World Champion of Public Speaking – Verity Price Our District Director thanked both guest speakers for sharing their stories and inspiring us.
4.	Credentials Officer Report	Credentials Officer and Administration Manager - Vuyi Vuthela mentioned that to establish quorum. We need atleast 1/3 of District Presidents and VPEs which is 172 to be present. We had 114 President and 84 VPEs in attendance. In addition, we had Cabinet Members, Division Directors and Area Directors which makes total of 247 votes. Therefore, quorum was met.
5.	Method of Business	Our District Parliamentarian Keith Bowen explained that our method of business referred to several documents in the following order of priority: • Toastmasters International Articles of Incorporation. • Special Instructions from the Board of Directors. • District Administrative Bylaws. • Roberts Rules of Order. • Standing Rules laid down in our District Code of Practice.
		 District Standing Rules for this meeting: All Toastmasters have the right of attendance at this meeting. The right to speak during this meeting, however, is reserved for Members of Council and PDG's and PDDs in active service, but all these people must have registered with the Credentials Officer. Observers may speak if the Chairman so authorizes but priority will obviously be given to Members of Council.

	1	
		Members were requested to please keep discussion as concise as possible and must work within the given time limits.
		Council members had to ensure that their microphones or phones are muted when not speaking. The host reserves the right to mute attendees as needed.
		Voting was to be conducted on Election Runner when required.
6.	Adoption of the Agenda	The Immediate Past District Director – Njabulo Thela proposed amendment to the Agenda that item 12 on the Agenda which is District Alignment, be swapped with item 11 which is District Elections. The amendment was adopted by Club Growth Director – Granny Be Botha DTM.
		The amendment was adopted by the council.
7.	Apologies	The Administration Manager did not receive any apologies.
8.	Minutes	District Director mentioned that minutes of September council meeting 2022 were shared by email and uploaded on our district website.
8.1	Adoption of	district website.
	the minutes	Minutes of Sept Council Meeting 2022 were adopted by Shaun Wilkinson – President of Vital CommunicatorsTM Club and seconded by Anald Musonza Snr – President of Victoria Falls TM Club.
8.2	Matters arising from the minutes.	NO matters raised.
9.	Ratification of	The District Director mentioned the appointment of Area Directors: Saras Naidoo D4 and Sipho Khumalo Y3
	Appointment s.	No objections to the appointments
10.	District Officer Reports.	Written reports were submitted by District Officers and Coordinators in accordance with the District Code of Practice.Reports were emailed in time to council members and posted on the district website for downloading by members of Council. Due to upgrade of website, posting of minutes and reported were only done recently.

10.1	Coordinator Reports	District Director asked Coordinatorsif want to add to their tablet reports, to raise their hands. However if there's no hands then report will be accepted as tabled.
10.2	Division Director Reports	No additions Division I Director Luyanda Thela added that Division I had 26 clubs paid, 7 clubs chartered, and 12 clubs were distinguished and better. Therefore, Division I would be recognised as President Distinguished. Division Y Director Bryton Masiye added that Y4 charted Spar Executive and Div-Y will be recognised as Select Distinguished
10.3	IPDD's Report	No additions to the tabled report
10.4	Logistics Manager's Report	No additions to the tabled report
10.5	Finance Manager's report	Highlights from the Finance Manager's Report 1. Revenue • 2023 is R1 491 718.79 • 2023 was R932 403.14
10.5.1	The Mid- Year Audit Report	 2. Expenses 2023 is -R1 604 802.34 which is inclusive of 2022 expenses due to delayed audit 2022 was -R692 260.55 3. Available Funds 2023 is R874 408.21 2022 was R743 659.64
70.0.2	Adoption of Finance Manager's Report	 Total SA Bank Accounts Balance is R564 156.21 District Reserve – 25% is R395 105.32 Total Cash and Reserve R959 261.53 D74 adopted expense system called Concur.
		Questions on Finance Manager's report were directed to the increase on the travel expenses of which the finance manager explained that the increase was due to: • The new concept of Toastmasters Weeks conducted to cover, support and start new clubs in the outskirts areas which proved to be successful.

		Division Directors trainings The Audit Report for the year 2022/2023 was represented by Audit Committee chairman, Tawanda Mubvumbi CA(SA)
		Mid-year audit was conducted as per our Toastmasters International guidelinesand the following was highlighted: • There were no material irregularities.
		 There were administration challenges encountered due to supporting documents not submitted. The Finance Manager and the team worked tirelessly to ensure all the documents were submitted and enabled the audit to be concluded.
		Gao Molebalwa President of Mahikeng TM club adopted the audit report and seconded by Division Z Director – Liza Zidonga
		No questions or objections to Audit Committee Report
10.6	Administratio n Manager's Report	No additions to the tabled report
10.7	Public Relations Manager's Report	No additions to the tabled report
10.8	Club Growth	Club Growth Director updates:
	Directors	As of May 2023, we have 249 clubs verified complete
	Report	 We have 31 new clubs chartered to date. Paid clubs increased from 7640 to 10 199.
		• Faid Clubs Increased Iron 7640 to 10 199.
10.9	PQD Reports	Program Quality Director's Report:
		We have 70 clubs that are distinguished and better
10.10	District Director's Report	In the report, the district director mentioned that the district is in line to achieve Smedley Distinguished goal. The district has charted 30 clubs and expanding nicely towards our 2024 vision of 2 healthy districts.
10.9.1	Adoption of the DD's	The District Director thanked cabinet members, Division Directors, Area Directors and Members of District 74 for all the learning opportunities and support throughout the terms.
	Report	The report was adopted by Gao Molebalwa President of Mahikeng TM Club and seconded by both club growth directors
		District Director's report was adopted unanimously.
	1	

Alignment	The following were highlights from the DLC Chair:
	Division Z has been split into two (2) Divisions Z & W
- Citaii	Number of Areas in the district has increased from 58 to 64
	 New proposed alignment was shared and adopted by Council members.
	Adoption of the Alignment was proposed by Tebogo Ramaahlo VPE of Entrepreneurs TM Club and seconded by Gao
	Molebalwa President of Mahikeng Toastmasters Club
	Woledalwa Flesidelit of Mariketig Toastifiasters Club
	No objections to the alignment.
	The DLC chair – Njabulo Thela shared the following highlights:
Report of the	To seek and receive nominations forprospective district officer candidates.
DLC	Verify the candidates and ensure they meet the eligibility requirements.
	Interview all candidates for the elected positions.
	The DLC Chair shared list of nominated candidates – Cabinet and Division Directors
	The Bee chair chared not of Herrinated carialactes — Cabinet and Bivision Birocters
	No floor candidates
Election	The District Director explained the election procedure and also requested that for positions where there is only one
Procedure	candidate, may we adopt a motion to dispense with the secret ballot and instead request the District Administration
	Manager to cast a single vote?
	The request was seconded by IPPD Njabulo Thela
5	
	Admin manager casted a single vote and Angie Kivido was elected as District Director for 2023/2024
	De Dethe DTM and Tive Materials DTM elected as DOD for 2002/2004
•	Be Botha, DTM and Zivai Matondo, DTM elected as PQD for 2023/2024
Director	We had? naminated condidates for the nacition of Club Crowth Director A
Club Crowth	We had7 nominated candidates for the position of Club Growth Director A.
	Edmore Gamundani, DTM
Director	Joel Gombera, DTM
	Future Moyo, DTM
	Thandokuhle Mthembu
	Bhekisisa Ngomane, DTM
	Ravin Papiah, DTM
	Liza Zidonga
	All the candidates were given 2min to address the council. After rounds of eliminations the results were as follows:
	Election

		Bhekisisa Ngomane, DTM elected as CGD1 for 2023/2024 with 54% votes
		Ravin Papiah, DTM elected as CGD2 for 2023/2024 with 53% votes
12.6	Public	Yonela Motloung, DTM
	Relations Manager	Tshegofatso Tshilowa
	Manager	Both candidates were given 2min to address the council
		Yonela Motloung was elected as Public Relations Manager 2023/2024 with 76% votes
12.7	Administratio n Manager	Admin manager casted a single vote and Sikhanyisile Mabhena was elected as Administration Manager 2023/2024
12.8	Finance Manager	Admin manager casted a single vote and Bryton Masiye was elected as Finance Manager 2023/2024
	Division Directors	Nominated
12.9	Α	Lebogang Mogoloane
		Penny Phakathi Penny Phakathi was elected as Division A Director for 2023/2024 with 78% votes
12.10	В	Admin manager casted a single vote and Dilshaad Rajabalee was elected as Division B Director for 2023/2024
12.11	D	Admin manager casted a single vote and Benjamin Akinmoyeje DTM was elected as Division D Director 2023/2024
12.12	E	Admin manager casted a single vote and Grace Liwewe was elected as Division E Director 2023/2024
12.13	Н	Admin manager casted a single vote and Lebogang Mogoloane was elected as Division H Director 2023/2024
12.14	1	André Massina
		Joao Sarmento, DTM
10.15	,	Joao Sarmento, DTM was elected as Division I Director 2023/2024 with 77% votes
12.15	L M	Admin manager casted a single vote and Tlou Mashitisho was elected as Division L Director 2023/2024
12.16	IVI	Mphatso Manda Jahon Mayeya DTM
		Jahon Mayeya DTM was elected as Division M Director 2023/2024 with 58% votes
12.17	0	Admin manager casted a single vote and Leya Musunga was elected as Division O Director 2023/2024

12.18	P	Admin manager casted a single vote and Rudi van Niekerk DTM was elected as Division P Director 2023/2024
12:19	S	Admin manager casted a single vote and Pamela Msibi was elected as Division S Director 2023/2024
12.20	Υ	Admin manager casted a single vote and Michael Shackleton was elected as Division Y Director 2023/2024
12:21	Z	Admin manager casted a single vote and Agab Dozva was elected as Division Z Director 2023/2024
12.22	W	Admin manager casted a single vote and Phillipa Chengeta was elected as Division W Director 2023/2024
		After the elections, Our District Director Andrew Tsuro asked the District Director elect – Angie Kivido to address the
		council.
		Zivai Matondo proposed adjournment of the council meeting and was seconded by Vuyisile Vuthela
13.	Date of Next Meeting	The next meeting of the District Council will take place in Sept 2023