



District 74 – Council Committee

Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the District Council meeting held on 20 September 2025

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Date: September 20, 2025

Time: 09:00 am – 11:44am

Duration: 164 mins

Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Logistics Manager Mojabeng Tigeli, at 09:00 am. She welcomed all attendees and introduced the District Director Bhekisisa Ngomane who introduced the meeting's purpose, which was to conduct district business and provide educational opportunities for all Toastmasters.

2. Introduction of Cabinet Members

The District Director requested all attendees to turn off their videos while he introduced the cabinet members. The following members were acknowledged:

Program Quality Director: Brighton Masiye, DTM

Club Growth Director: Devin Pearson, DTM

Public Relations Manager: Leya Msunga

Administration Manager: Estelle Engelbrecht

Finance Manager: Matome Seabi

Logistics Manager: Mojabeng Tigeli, DTM

Immediate Past District Director: Granny Be007, DTM

The District Director emphasized the mission of the cabinet, which is to build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence.

Recognition of Division Directors and Area Directors

The District Director continued by recognizing the Division Directors and Area Directors, requesting them to turn on their videos for spotlighting. The following Division Directors were introduced:

Division A Director: Sakhile Mazibia

Division B Director: Wilene Venter

Division C Director: Lorna Holtman

Division D Director: Nontobeko Mhlongo

Division E Director: Gcobisa Sigwili

Division F Director: Lesedi Masina

The District Director reiterated the mission of the District Executive Committee, which is to support club excellence and growth.

Acknowledgment of Club Presidents and Vice Presidents of Education

The District Director acknowledged the presence of Club Presidents and Vice Presidents of Education, emphasizing their role in the decision-making body of the District 74 Council.

Acknowledgment of Past District Governors and Directors

The District Director recognized past District Governors and Directors, inviting them to turn on their videos for acknowledgment.

3. Guest Speaker

The District Director introduced the first speaker, Past International Director Frank Tsuro, DTM, who delivered an inspiring address focusing on the importance of resilience and leadership within Toastmasters. He shared personal anecdotes and emphasized the need for members to support each other through challenges.

4. Credentials Report

The Administration Manager, Estelle Engelbrecht, presented the credentials report, confirming that the meeting was properly constituted with the required number of attendees. (73 members was needed to have quorum)

5. Method of business

The agenda was presented to the council members. No proposed changes or additions were made, and the agenda was adopted unanimously.

6. Motions

A motion to rescind a previous motion was introduced, to be discussed later in the meeting.

7. Adoption of Agenda

The agenda was presented to the council members by District Director Bhekisisa Ngomane and seconded by Immediate Past District Director Granny Be007. No proposed changes or additions were made, and the agenda was adopted unanimously.

8. Apologies

Owing to time constraints, the apologies were not read; however, attendees were requested to present them to the Administration Manager in writing before the end of the meeting for inclusion in the minutes.

9. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes from the previous District Council meeting were posted on the District 74 website. A motion to adopt the minutes was made by Immediate Past District Director Granny Be007, DTM, and seconded by Administration Manager Estelle Engelbrecht. The minutes were adopted without any corrections.

10. Ratification of Appointments

After closing of the year, we needed a realignment of our Divisions. There has been a change and in order to adhere to Protocol 7.0 of the Toastmasters International Governing documents which mandates that each Division must have a minimum of four Areas, and each Area must consist of four to six clubs. We now have 6 instead of 7 Divisions as voted for in April.

This realignment means our Division Director G: Tumelo Maphalala Had to be reappointed as an Area Director to Area E5

11. District Officer Reports

The following reports were presented by District Officers:

Finance Manager Report: Matome Seabi presented the budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, highlighting key allocations for education, club growth, and recognition, the expected revenue for the 2025-2026 fiscal year is estimated to be 1,063,262 Rand. The total expenses for the year are projected to be 1,061,425 Rand. The budget was designed to support the district's mission and was adopted by the council, Past District Director Angie Kivido proposed the budget and was seconded by President Graeme Cairns.

Program Quality Director Report: Bryton Masiye reported on the training and educational initiatives undertaken, including the successful training of club officers.

Club Growth Director Report: Devin Pearson reported on the increase in club membership and the establishment of new clubs.

Public Relations Manager Report: Leya Musunga shared updates on the district's public relations efforts, including social media growth and the relaunch of the Achieving Excellence magazine.

The District Director, Mr. Bhekisisa Ngomani, presented a comprehensive report highlighting the district's mission to build new clubs and support existing ones in achieving excellence. He emphasized the importance of collaboration among district leaders, club officers, and members to foster a culture of success. Key achievements included significant training initiatives, an increase in club membership, and the establishment of new clubs. The District Director also acknowledged the challenges faced and encouraged all members to actively participate in efforts to enhance the district's performance.

The report was well-received and subsequently adopted by the council.

12. Motion to Rescind Previous Motion

A motion was presented by Immediate Past District Director Granny Be007, DTM, to rescind the motion passed at the April 2025 council meeting, which limited district funding for international convention expenses when the district did not achieve distinguished status. The motion was seconded by Past District Director Angie Kivido. After a thorough discussion, the motion was put to a vote and passed with 76% in favour.

13. 12. Date of Next Meeting

The next District Council meeting is scheduled for May 2, 2026, in Lesotho.

14. 13. Adjournment

The District Director thanked all attendees for their participation and contributions. The meeting was officially adjourned at 11:44 am

Attendees:

1. DD_Bhekisisa Ngomane
2. PQD Bryton Masiye
3. CGD - Devin Pearson
4. PRM/Pres - Leya Musunga
5. AM/Pres - Estelle Engelbrecht
6. FM Matome Seabi
7. LM - Mojabeng Tigeli
8. IPDD Granny Be007
9. Pres Keith Bowen
10. Past District Director Frank Tsuro
11. Garmeson Trust Chair Tim Knights
12. Audit Committee Chair / Pres Mike Crooke
13. CFR Michael Shackleton
14. CJ Elaine O Gorman
15. DvD_a_Sakhile Mazibia
16. DvD B Willene Venter
17. DvDC/PresLorna Holtman
18. DvD D / PRES Nontobeko Mhlongo
19. DvD F Lesedi Masina
20. AD A2 Carmelita Kruger
21. AD A3 Fortune

22. AD A4 Moeketsi Nthombeni
23. AD B2 Carol-Ann Savosnick
24. AD B3 Gerald Pietersen
25. AD B4 Anelisiwe Zumana
26. AD C1 Nicholas De Villiers
27. AD C3 Derick Mujera
28. AD C5 Cornelius-John Jansen
29. AD D1 Vivien Boddy
30. AD D2 Gil Harper
31. AD D3 Lesego Nhlapo
32. AD D4_Palesa Makgato
33. AD E1 Lee Seema
34. AD E2 Reena Vallabai
35. AD E3 Xhanti Mshunqane
36. AD E5: Tumelo Maphalala
37. AD F2_Lefu Dlamini
38. AD F4 Thandi Thombeni
39. Pres - Nnana Langa
40. Pres - Ricardo Ngcobo
41. Pres - Malebo Molebatsi
42. PRES - Malebo Molebatsi
43. Pres - Mukesh Maharaj
44. PRES - Trillionaire Yanga
45. Pres A1 Nomalandela Zulu
46. Pres Anele Miya
47. Pres AYANDA NGCOBO
48. Pres Boitsheko Thwane
49. Pres Bokane Kemiso
50. Pres Bulelwa Ngobeni
51. pres c4 Samantha Montes
52. PRES C5 - Marie Grobler
53. Pres Candice Van Wyk
54. Pres Carmen Smidt Anrol
55. Pres Cindy Buyiswa Goniwe
56. Pres D74 C1 Clarence Ishemunyoro
57. Pres Daniel Du Preez
58. PRES E1 Kega Madigage
59. Pres Graeme Cairns
60. Pres Judith Lee
61. PRES Likhabetso
62. Pres Lilian Weide
63. Pres Maboi Mashabela
64. Pres Marinda Ramalheiro
65. PRES Mathabang Fanyane
66. Pres Richard Austin
67. Pres Samuel Boa-Amponsem
68. PRES Thando Duze
69. Pres Tshagofatso Mathe
70. Pres Vivian Mapadimeng

71. PRES Wayne Robinson
72. Pres Yolanda Malgas
73. PRES# Ngoran Ollier
74. Pres. Grove Club - Adrian Bergh
75. Pres. Martha Amanyanga
76. Pres_Gregory Smith
77. Pres_Khethiwe Malema
78. PresAlanna Fincham
79. Pres-Annah Moses
80. Pres-Reginald Lawrence
81. VPE Happiness Mlambo-Mokgwabona
82. VPE Thabiso Sephelane
83. VPE A3 - Thobeka Tshabalala
84. VPE A4 Karen Levy Strauss
85. VPE A4 Sithandiwe Meva
86. VPE Angie Kivido
87. VPE Benovia Cuyler
88. VPE Bongani Masuku
89. VPE Bradford Dale - Credentials Chair
90. VPE Brenda Joao
91. VPE C5 Benjamin Akinmoyeje
92. VPE Carissa de Klerk
93. VPE Carmelia BiE
94. VPE D2 Nicki Varty
95. VPE D74 C1 Westlake Elroy Paulus
96. VPE Dawie McDonald
97. VPE E3 Mosa Nyamande
98. VPE Gosego Feledi
99. VPE Gugulethu Murambiwa
- 100.VPE Jabulani Mbuyisa
- 101.VPE Joanne Schmitt
- 102.VPE Kirstin Bosworth
- 103.VPE Kubwa Zimondi
- 104.VPE Lizanne vd Walt- BFN TM74F
- 105.VPE Luvuko Mqaqa
- 106.VPE -Nomonde Boo
- 107.VPE Nonjabulo Mbokazi
- 108.VPE Pale Sekele
- 109.VPE Rowena Lakay
- 110.VPE Tawana Makhetha
- 111.VPE Themba Mathabatha
- 112.VPE Wolly Denzl
- 113.VPE_Sithe Dlamini
- 114.VPE-Badumedi Segaletsho
- 115.VPE-Dorcas Vinger
- 116.VPE-Elvina Pienaar
- 117.VPE-Gciniwe Sithole
- 118.Allan Mbugua
- 119.Bernadette Wagner

- 120.Boitsheko Thwane
- 121.Charles Mokoena
- 122.Gervasius Matheus
- 123.Ivan Ruhinda
- 124.Mafusi Marole
- 125.Maud Nale
- 126.Mpolokeng Pitso
- 127.Pamella Ngcemu
- 128.PDD D71 Elizabeth Jordan# Guest
- 129.Segametsi Moumakwa
- 130.Tlou Mashitisho
- 131.Visitor Jaco Theron
- 132.VTM Future Moyo

Apologies:

- 1. Division E Director Gcobisa Sigwili
- 2. Area A1 Director Nicola Mathieson
- 3. Area C2 Nadeem Oozeer
- 4. Area E4 Director Set Motsoagae
- 5. President Barbara Gieros
- 6. Marna Roelofse

Minutes submitted by:
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Date: September 20, 2025