



District 86 Toastmasters

Located in Southwestern and Central Ontario

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2023-2024 District 86 Administration Manager

District Council 2023-2024 Business Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2023 7 p.m. Zoom Virtual Meeting

Chair: District Director – Nancy Movrin
Secretary: Administration Manager – Nicole Holas

Quorum Present

7:12 pm	<p>Call to Order: Logistics Manager, Jimmy Chien, CC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading of the Toastmasters International Mission and District Mission Review of District 86 Standing Rules Introduced the District Director 														
7:16 pm	<p>Welcome Remarks & Introduction: District Director, Nancy Movrin, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The District Director welcomed all to the District Council meeting, and introduced the Program Quality Director, Anne Dockeray, DTM and the Club Growth Director, Bhushan Rele, DTM. 														
7:23 pm	<p>Review Voting Procedures: Parliamentarian, Bill Kirby, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Parliamentarian reviewed the features of Election Runner and advised Council voting members that Election Runner will be used to vote on the District Budget and the raised hand feature for other matters. 														
7:27 pm	<p>Consent Agenda Explanation: Parliamentarian, Bill Kirby, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Parliamentarian explained that a consent agenda consists of multiple items that are voted on as a block. These items are usually informational items. 														
7:29 pm	<p>Credential Report: Credentials Chair, Margaret Waechter, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Credentials Chair reported that registration is now closed. There was a slight delay in presenting this report due to tabulating the validated voters. Responsibilities of the position, how the quorum was established, and who could vote were reviewed. <table border="1" data-bbox="414 1451 1076 1694"> <tr> <td>Active Club Presidents and VP Eds</td> <td>250</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Quorum (1/3 club votes)</td> <td>85</td> </tr> <tr> <td># of club Ballots Issued</td> <td>158</td> </tr> <tr> <td># of District Ballots Issued</td> <td>37</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Ballots Issued</td> <td>195</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Simple Majority</td> <td>98</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2/3 Majority</td> <td>130</td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> District Director Nancy Movrin, DTM announced we have met quorum. 	Active Club Presidents and VP Eds	250	Quorum (1/3 club votes)	85	# of club Ballots Issued	158	# of District Ballots Issued	37	Total Ballots Issued	195	Simple Majority	98	2/3 Majority	130
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7:34 pm	<p>Teller's Report: Credentials Team, Margaret Waechter, DTM and Kristina Johnston-Naus, DTM, PDD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A test vote in Election Runner was conducted; 153 test votes were cast. Necessary for majority: 77. 151 voted in favour, 2 voted opposed, and 6 individuals voted twice, therefore their votes were discarded. Motion carried. The District Director thanked the Credentials Team. 														

8:02 pm	<p>District 86 Budget: Finance Manager: Randy Moore, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Finance Manager presented the District 86 Budget for 2023-2024 Explanations were provided for each item on the budget. <p>Motion: moved by District Finance Manager Randy Moore. Seconded by Area T93 Director Anja Gangur to accept the District 86 Budget 2023-2024 as presented. Vote by Election Runner. Motion Carried.</p>												
	<p>District Meeting Agenda and Approval of the Agenda: District Director Nancy Movrin, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The District Director presented the revised agenda that was emailed to attendees and posted on the District 86 website. <p>Motion: moved by Division L Director Jeff Burroughs. Seconded by Al Steele, VP Education of Hospitable Club #8992 to accept the Agenda as amended on September 9, 2023. Voting was conducted by the raising of electronic hands with 109 voting in favour of accepting the motion and 0 hands raised in opposition. The Agenda was accepted without change.</p>												
	<p>Adoption of Minutes: District Director Nancy Movrin, DTM</p> <p>Motion: moved by Division L Director Jeff Burroughs. Seconded by Area W62 Director Bud Brown to accept the District Council minutes of April 22, 2023, as presented/amended. Voting was conducted by the raising of electronic hands with 105 voting in favour of accepting the motion and 0 hands raised in opposition. The Minutes were accepted without change.</p>												
	<p>Approval of Club Assignment: District Director Nancy Movrin, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The District Director presented the Club Assignment: <table border="1" data-bbox="289 856 1287 1066"> <tr> <td>E 01</td> <td>07982486</td> <td>Compass Group Canada</td> <td>chartered 5/9/2023</td> </tr> <tr> <td>L 53</td> <td>28676385</td> <td>Wescam Toastmasters</td> <td>chartered 5/24/2023</td> </tr> <tr> <td>S 71</td> <td>28676407</td> <td>Top Tier Toastmasters</td> <td>chartered 6/30/2023</td> </tr> </table> <p>Motion: moved by Division E Director Ramanujam Raghavan. Seconded by Division L Director Jeff Burroughs to confirm the Club Assignment as presented. Voting was conducted by the raising of electronic hands with 111 voting in favour of accepting the motion and 0 hands raised in opposition. Motion carried.</p>	E 01	07982486	Compass Group Canada	chartered 5/9/2023	L 53	28676385	Wescam Toastmasters	chartered 5/24/2023	S 71	28676407	Top Tier Toastmasters	chartered 6/30/2023
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	<p>Confirmation of District Appointments: District Director Nancy Movrin, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The District Director presented the District Appointments: <p>Chairs and Managers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administration Manager Nicole Holas DTM Alignment Chair Sylvette Mahoney DTM Audit Chair Fabiola Cleofa DTM, PDD Credentials Committee Chair Margaret Waechter DTM District Leadership Committee Chair Deridor Collier DTM, IPDD Financial Manager Randy Moore DTM Logistics Manager Jimmy Chien CC Parliamentarian Bill Kirby DTM Public Relations Manager Cheryl Rankin P11, PM5, DL5, 'Of The Year' Awards Deridor Collier DTM, IPDD Webmaster Kristina Johnston DTM, PDD <p>Division C:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Division C Director Karen Pantaleo, DTM Area Director - C41 Shuangzeng (Shaun) Hu, LD3 Area Director - C42 Lou Mulligan, DTM 												

- Area Director - C43 Tristin Burns, LD4

Division D:

- Division D Director Sharon Jenkins, EH5
- Area Director - D81 Ian Horne, DTM
- Area Director - D82 Tinku Iyer, DTM
- Area Director - D83 Sana Qalbani, DL5
- Area Director - D84 Guy Tripp, DTM

Division E:

- Division E Director Ramanujam Raghavan, DTM
- Area Director - E1 Paul Cheema, IP3
- Area Director – E2 Ahmad Alrefai, PI3
- Area Director – E3 Darline Noel, MS4

Division F:

- Division F Director George How, DTM
- Area Director - F11 Angela Brown, LD4
- Area Director - F12 Bryn Snow, DL4, MS3
- Area Director - F13 Abbas Akbar, DTM

Division L:

- Area Director - L51
- Area Director - L52 Gerry Tullio , DTM
- Area Director - L53 April Burroughs, LD2
- Area Director - L54 Mary Helwig-Hall, DTM

Division S:

- Area Director - S71 Hanley Jung, PM3
- Area Director - S72 Marie-France Vermette MS1
- Area Director - S73 Chris Moses PM1
- Area Director - S74 Myra Hanson PM4

Division T:

- Division T Director Marianna Burka, LD3, MS4
- Area Director - T91 Francoise Bowen, LD1, PI5
- Area Director - T92 Parveen Johal, DTM
- Area Director - T93 Anja Gangur, SR1, VC2

Division W:

- Division W Director Mikael Gatje, DTM
- Area Director - W61
- Area Director - W62 Brown Bud, DTM
- Area Director - W63
- Area Director - W64 Myrna Barthe, DTM, PDD

Motion: moved by Division L Director Jeff Burroughs. Seconded by Division E Director Ramanujam Raghavan to confirm the District Appointments as presented. Voting was conducted by the raising of electronic hands with 113 voting in favour of accepting the motion and 0 hands raised in opposition. Motion carried.

Audit Committee Report Year-End 2022-2023: Audit Committee Chair 2021-2022, Julie Whitely, DTM

- Audit Committee Chair presented the Audit Committee members:
 - Amy Li – Miracle Chinese English Bilingual TM, Mississauga
 - John Spinozzi – Sarnia TM, Sarnia
- Audit Committee report, August 2023 was presented:
 - Final Year Report submitted to TI August 31, 2023
 - Collaboration of Audit Committee members, August 2023, to finalize details of D86

	<p>reporting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Only audit concern was the missing currency exchange for 2 out of county transactions. ○ Sharing of 2022/23 info to new Audit Committee to support the steep learning curve. ○ Kudos to past Finance Manager, Sylvette Mahoney for job well done. <p>Motion: moved by Division E Director Ramanujam Raghavan. Seconded by Area W62 Director Bud Brown to accept the Audit Committee Report as presented. Voting was conducted by the raising of electronic hands with 108 voting in favour of accepting the motion and 0 hands raised in opposition. Motion carried.</p>
8:33 pm	<p>District Officer Reports</p> <p>Public Relations Manager Report: Cheryl Rankin, PM5, DL5, PI1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Public Relations Manager report was presented. ● Attendees directed to read the District blogs and submit blogs to https://toastmasters86.org/district-86-blog-submission-form/ ● Call for submission of items for publication on the District website, newsletter, and calendar. ● Attendees were reminded to like, comment, and share on social media. ● Next Steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ VP – Public Relations meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ September 13, 2023 ○ Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stay visible – A short introduction to updating your club information online - September 17, 2023. ▪ Canva Tips – October 15, 2023. ▪ Attracting Guests To Your Meeting (Marketing 101) – October 29, 2023. ○ Area and Director meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PRM seeking to be invited as guest at your meetings to talk about bringing guests to your club
8:37 pm	<p>Finance Manager Report: Randy Moore, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Finance Manager report was presented. ● District 86 Profit & Loss Statement – July 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reflects one month of records. ○ Includes some accruals from last year. <p>Reported on District 86 Available Funds for July 2023.</p>
8:41 pm	<p>Club Growth Director Report: Bhushan Rele, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Club Growth Team was introduced. ● Club Growth Director report was presented. ● District Membership: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Membership renewals at 53% as of September 10 ○ 213 new members joined the District clubs in July and August ○ 13 low membership clubs at the risk of suspension ○ 7 coaches assigned. 54 clubs eligible for coaches (40.6%), of which 49 not yet assigned (90.7%) ● Club Leads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 4 corporate. 2 community. More expected ○ Contact CGD for your initiatives to build new clubs or refer interested leads. ● Club Growth and Membership Incentives available on the District 86 website

8:45 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CGD Awareness Events: <p>Past</p> <p>Friday July 28 – Engage & Elevate: Panel discussion with Clubs in the District successful in membership retention and growth</p> <p>Tuesday August 8 – Insights into Speechcraft: Awareness on conducting Speechcraft in clubs by Speechcraft Chair</p> <p>Saturday August 26 – Club Membership Building and Retention: Presentation and Q&A with Lance Miller, DTM</p> <p>Upcoming</p> <p>Saturday September 16 – Club Coaching Workshop: Information sharing on being a club coach by Club Coach Chair</p> <p>Thursday September 28 – Paradigm Shift - From Community to Corporate: Workshop for corporate clubs by past International Director Pat Johnson</p> <p>Thursday November 9 – Club membership – Moments of Truth workshop. Awareness on conducting Moments of Truth in clubs by MOT Ambassador</p> <p>Program Quality Director Report: Anne Dockeray, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> District Program Quality report was presented. Currently, 3 clubs have over 5 DCP Points. COT: 20 clubs with 0 trained. 20 clubs with 7 officers trained. Program Quality Incentives will be posted on the District's website. Upcoming Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equality and Accessibility) September 18, 2023, 6 – 7 pm Mentor Mondays: September 25, 2023, 6 – 7 pm. Spring Conference: April 15 – April 20, 2024. The Program Quality team was introduced.
8:50 pm	<p>District Director Report: Nancy Movrin, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submitted to TI: Leader Letter, District 86 Alignment Report. To be submitted: 2023 – 2024 Budget, PRM Communications Plan, CGD Marketing Plan, District Success Plan. Reminder: September 30 membership dues renewal. Annual dues payments encouraged. Area Director Visits 4%. Division and Area Director training 88%. Makeup training for Division and Area Directors is upcoming. Trio represented District 86 at the TI Annual Business meeting at the International Convention. Nominations are open District 86 ACE of the Year Award. Deadline November 15, 2023. Awards criteria at toastmasters86.org Nominations are open for the 2022-2023 'Of The Year' Awards. Deadline October 1, 2023. Awards criteria at toastmasters86.org. Submit nominations with supporting documentation to ipdistrictdirector@toastmasters86.org
8:54 pm	<p>District Leadership Committee (DLC): Deridor Collier, DTM, IPDD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The District Leadership Committee Timeline deadlines were presented. Information will be posted on the District 86 website as of November 1, 2023 <p>Motion: moved by Division L Director Jeff Burroughs. Seconded by Karen MacNeil, President of Burloak Toastmasters #03745363, to accept the District Officer Progress Reports as presented for information. Voting was conducted by the raising of electronic hands with 101 voting in favour of accepting the motion and 0 hands raised in opposition. Motion carried.</p>
9:01 pm	<p>New Business, International Updates: District Director Nancy Movrin, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Toastmasters International 2023-2024 International Board of Directors and Executive Committee names were presented. Membership for Distinguished Club status: net growth: 3 new members 2024-2025 Region Realignment effective July 1, 2024; District 86 currently in Region 6. As of July 2024, Region 5 Pathways: moving to new Learning Management System (LMS) mid - 2024. Members will be able to access Pathways on mobile devices. Accessible to members who are Visually Impaired. Completed level and path approvals will be automatically submitted for recognition in Club Central. Members will be able to share learning accomplishments directly on social

	<p>media.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Membership Application Effective October 1, 2023 • 2024: 100-year anniversary. Register for the International Convention before November 27 for the Anniversary discount. To register, visit toastmasters.org/Convention. • April 2024 District Council Meeting Date: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Evening of Monday, April 15, 2024 (business reporting) and ○ Evening of Wednesday, April 17, 2024 (District election) <p>Motion: moved by Division L Director Jeff Burroughs. Seconded by Area T93 Director Anja Gangur to hold the District Council Annual Meeting on Monday, April 15, 2024, (reports) and Wednesday, April 17, 2024 (election). Voting was conducted by the raising of electronic hands with 89 voting in favour of accepting the motion and 7 hands raised in opposition. Motion carried.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speech contests are Table Topics contest and International Speech contest. • Clubs choose the format of their Table Topics contest and International Speech contest. • Meeting format for Speech Contest for Area, Division and District and the District Conference were voted at the District Executive Committee meeting on September 9, 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Table Topics and International Speech Contest: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Area: Online only ▪ Division: Online only ▪ District: Hybrid • District Conference: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hybrid
<p>9:14</p>	<p>Announcements & Adjournment: District Director Report: Nancy Movrin, DTM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approve Pathway Levels in both Base Camp AND Club Central for your club to get credit on the dashboard. • For a club to remain in good standing, ensure a minimum of 8 membership dues to TI by September 30. <p>Adjourn Meeting: District Director, Nancy Movrin, DTM Motion was made by Division L Director Jeff Burroughs to adjourn the meeting. No seconder and no vote were required.</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm</p>