



District 54 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

Special Virtual Meeting

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OPENING

Dan Kyburg, District Director, called the Special DEC meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

DISTRICT OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Present	First	Last	Designation	OFFICE
X	DAN	KYBURZ	DTM	DISTRICT DIRECTOR
X	GARY	VAUGHN	PM3	PROGRAM QUALITY DIRECTOR
X	WENDY	PESAVENTO	DTM	CLUB GROWTH DIRECTOR
	TASHIKA	WILLIAMS	PI1	PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER
X	CECE	WROBLEWSKI	DTM	ADMINISTRATION MANAGER
X	JASON	HESSLER	DTM	FINANCE MANAGER
X	BONNIE	TIPPEY	DTM	IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT DIRECTOR
	MARYANN	REICHEL	DTM	LOGISTICS MANAGER, NV
	ESTELLE	FOSTER	VC5	DIVISION A DIRECTOR
	RON	JONES	VC1	DIVISION B DIRECTOR
X	CHRISTINA	EVANS	LD5	DIVISION C DIRECTOR
X	STEVEN	VACCARO	PM4	DIVISION D DIRECTOR
X	RACHEL	BERRY	PI1	AREA 10 DIRECTOR
	LINO	CARILLO	DTM	AREA 11 DIRECTOR
	TROY	LAPORTE	LD1	AREA 12 DIRECTOR
X	JANA	HERGERT	PM5	AREA 20 DIRECTOR
X	PATRICK	OLSON	VC5	AREA 21 DIRECTOR
X	VENKAT	CHANDER	TC1	AREA 22 DIRECTOR
X	ROSEMARY	NASH	LD4	AREA 30 DIRECTOR
X	JERRY	BURGER	EH4	AREA 31 DIRECTOR
X	KRISTINA	WARREN	DL4	AREA 32 DIRECTOR
X	STACY	BRITT		AREA 40 DIRECTOR
X	DALE	POSONT	EH4	AREA 41 DIRECTOR
	SAURABH	NEGI	DL4	AREA 42 DIRECTOR

17 voting members were present – a quorum is 12; therefore, there was a quorum at the meeting.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Dan Kyburg, DTM, District Director, reviewed the agenda for the meeting.

7:00 Open Meeting

7:03 Verify Quorum

7:08 Motion to adopt the virtual format for Area, Division, and District Contest for 2023-2024.

7:10 Discussion

7:20 Vote on the motion.

7:25 Adjourn

NEW BUSINESS

- Wendy made a motion to make the Area, Division, and District contests virtually. Steve seconded the motion
 - Christina Evans asked if this is a final decision or is there an option to change the position later
 - Dan Kyburz answered that TI has determined that this decision will be final for this year
 - Christina Evans asked if we felt that virtual contests resulted in fewer participants
 - Dale Posont and Christina Evans reported that he has heard from several that they will not participate until contests are in-person
 - Bonnie Tippey felt that contestants might feel they could not apply their contest speeches to their Pathway projects
 - Dan Kyburz replied that this information might be passed on in contest training
 - Wendy Pesavento felt we need to increase focus at club level on contest participation. Jana Hergert suggested that the Area Director could do this during visits, with enthusiasm
 - Bonnie Tippey pointed out that if one contest is held in person it means all Area, Division, and District contests must be in person and that will require many functionaries
 - Dan Kyburz reminded all that the Club level contest can be held in person. It is not affected by this ruling
 - Christina Evans suggested that a committee be formed to determine how next year's contests could be held in-person
 - Wendy Pesavento withdrew her previous motion
 - Wendy Pesavento made a new motion to adopt virtual Area, Division, and District contests for 2023-2024
 - Steve Vaccaro seconded the motion
 - The motion passed
 - Bonnie Tippey moved that we establish a committee, including some DEC members, to determine the best way to move our contests to in-person next year
 - Second by Christina Evans
 - Motion passed by a majority
 - Dan will work with Christina Evans to assemble that committee with Christina Evans as Chair.

ADJOURNMENT

Dan Kyburz, DTM, District Director, adjourned the meeting at 7:38.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cece Wroblewski, DTM
District 54 Administration Manager, 2023-2024