



# District Council Meeting Minutes 28<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## Toastmasters International District 69 - District Council Meeting (DCM) meeting held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2025 via Zoom at 2:00 pm

### Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Logistics Manager, Candice Roberts, who read the Acknowledgement of Country and Mission of the District.

### Open Meeting

Meeting was opened by District Director, Nicky Jurd, at 2:00pm and Top Table were introduced.

- District Program Quality Director: Alex Smith
- District Club Growth Director: Shubi Chatterjee DTM
- District Public Relations Manager: Melanie Surplice
- District Administration Manager: Annette Marshall DTM
- District Finance Manager: Kate Norris DTM
- Acting District Parliamentarian: Leonard Scuderi DTM
- District Logistics Manager: Candice Roberts
- Immediate Past District Director: Featherduster, Lou Cervetto

### Quorum

The Acting District 69 Parliamentarian, Leonard Scuderi, advised that the District Council Meeting meeting had 326 potential voting delegates, and required 109 voting delegates to establish a quorum. There were 197 voting delegates registered, therefore a quorum has been established.

### Apologies

District Administration Manager: Annette Marshall read out the apologies.

Adrian Pavone - Parliamentarian	Jeanette Hayden - President Heart of the City
Cathie Woods - Area 18 Director	Clara Fowlie - Pines Toastmasters
Dee Douglas - VPE Serendipity	Sandra Gooley - President Palm Beach Currumbin Toastmasters
Julia Hassall - VPE Stanthorpe	Linda Field - Area 35 Director
Jenny Duckworth - Secretary UniSC Speakers	Mac McLeod - Western Division Director, VPE Tara Country Chatters
Jenny Abbott - VPE Northern Nomads	Helen Larter - President Goalsetters, VPE Forex
Kerri Richards - President Ipswich Toastmasters	Chris Roberts - VPE Kings Toastmasters

Motion: That the apologies be accepted.

Moved: Louise Donnan, VPE Meeting Masters Toastmasters Club

Seconded: Lou Cervetto, Immediate Past District Director

Motion carried.



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## Previous Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the previous District Council Meeting were posted on the District 69 Website in April , 2025.

Amendments - Date was wrong - 24<sup>th</sup> not 25<sup>th</sup> April and the motion had the word Leadership not Alignment as it should have

Motion: I, Annette Marshall, District Administration Manager move that the minutes have been read.

Moved: Annette Marshall DTM, District Admin Manager

Seconded: Shane Cooper, Area 4 Director

Motion carried.

There was no business that arised from the Minutes.

## Acknowledgement of Recent Deceased Members of District 69

District Administration Manager Annette Marshall read and acknowledged the passing of the following District 69 Toastmaster Members.

### **Ottmar Maer**

Former member of Peninsula Toastmaster passed away at 96 years of age

### **Heather Rhead**

Member of many clubs and Past District Governor

### **Veronica Witham**

Loved member of Western Division. MC of District Conference at Eatons Hill

## Introduce District Officers and Executive Support Team

District Director Nicky Jurd introduced her team for 2025-2026 \*Team names are on following page

Motion: "That the District Officer Bearers appointed by the District Director be approved."

Moved: Lesley Storkey, Northern Division Director

Seconded: Shubi Chatterjee, Club Growth Director

Motion carried.



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- Public Relations Manager: Melanie Surplice DTM
- District Administration Manager: Annette Marshall DTM
- District Finance Manager: Kate Norris DTM
- District Logistics Manager - Candice Roberts
- District Parliamentarian - Adrian Pavone
- District Training Manager Co Chair - Deb Barnett DTM
- District Training Manager - Thomas Krafft DTM
- District Alignment Chair - Thomas Krafft DTM
- District Leadership Chair - Lou Cervetto DTM
- District Member Long Service & Club Anniversary Awards Manager - Lisa Dodis DTM
- District Member Educational Awards Manager - Lisa Dodis DTM
- District Audit Committee - Don Crombie, Ian Gilbert, John Knox
- Club Excellence Chair - Shane Cooper DTM
- District Webmaster - Leonard Scuderi DTM
- Club New Source Research Chair - Zach Davis-Hancock
- District Past District Governor/Director Committee Chair - Robert Green DTM
- District Historian - Sue Pinker DTM
- Club Coach Coordinator - Suzanne Goglin
- International Proxy Vote Chaser - Barrie Fuller DTM
- Division Director Mentor - John Bushell
- Area Director Mentor - Mike Storkey DTM
- Pacifica Division Mentor - Rachel Poloat

### **Brisbane**

- B5 Neil Muspratt • B15 Peter McRoberts 2 • B21 Mary Adoi • B25 Jacquie Jones

### **Central**

- C10 Tara Singh • C16 Harry Bojack • C22 Karla Ogg • C28 Robinlyn Sinclair

### **Eastern**

- E20 Colin Williams • E26 Vance Skene • E27 Ridzuan Osman • E37 Pam Holley

### **Moreton**

- M3 Barbara Nielsen • M8 Gail Horne • M18 Cathie Woods • M33 Kirsty Watts

### **Northern**

- N2 Bevin Irvine • N4 Shane Cooper • N9 Kaj Haffenden • N14 Stephen Oberg

### **Pasifika**

- P38 Okera Amini • P40 Killie Sapu • P41 Josie Nicholas • P44 Linda Kapani • P45 Ellenor Iutiko

### **Southern**

- S23 Donna Kildea • S24 Catherine McDonagh • S35 Linda Field

### **Western**

- W01 Logan Steele • W11 Linda McLeod • W31 Ben Handley



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### Correspondence Inwards/Outward

There was no incoming or outgoing correspondence

There was no business arising from the correspondence.

### Reports

Preamble:

The reports from the Trio, Top Table and Division Directors have been published via email. No questions on notice were received.

**Motion: "I, Annette Marshall DTM, District Administration Manager move that the District Leaders reports be received."**

Moved: Annette Marshall, DTM District Admin Manager

Seconded: Lou Cervetto, Immediate Past District Director

Motion carried.

**Motion: "I, Annette Marshall DTM, District Administration Manager move that the District Leaders reports be adopted."**

Moved: Annette Marshall, DTM District Admin Manager

Seconded: Graham Cairns, Club President Forex

Motion carried.



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### Motions on Notice

#### Motion 1 - Approving the District 69 2024-25 Budget

**Motion:** I, District Finance Manager, Kate Norris move that the proposed 2025-26 Budget for District 69 be approved

Moved: Kate Norris DTM, District Finance Manager

Seconded: Mark Hegarty, President HOT Toastmasters

Motion carried.

#### Motion 2 – Approving the 2025-26 District Communications Plan

Preamble:

TI requires that each year each District submit a District Communications Plan. The District Trio in conjunction with the District Public Relations Manager (Melanie Surplice) have created the 2025-26 District Communications Plan.

The draft 2025-26 District Communications Plan has been posted on the District 69 website.

**Motion:** "I, Melanie Surplice, District Public Relations Manager move that the draft 2025-26 District Communications Plan be recommended to the District Council for approval."

Moved: Melanie Surplice, District Public Relations Manager

Seconded: Shane Cooper, Area 4 Director

Motion carried.

#### Motion 3 - Approving the 2025-26 District 69 Marketing Plan

Preamble:

TI requires that each District submit a District Marketing Plan. The District Trio in conjunction with the District Public Relations Manager (Melanie Surplice) have created the 2025-26 District Marketing Plan. The draft 2025-26 District Marketing Plan has been posted on the District 69 website.

**Motion:** "I, Shubi Chatterjee, District Club Growth Director move that the draft 2025-26 District Marketing Plan be recommended to the District Council for approval."

Moved: Shubi Chatterjee DTM, District Club Growth Director

Seconded: Alex Smith. Program Quality Director

Motion carried.



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### General Business

There was no general business. Members of the District Council are encouraged to send items for General Business or Motions on Notice to the District Admin Manager to be added to future meetings.

### Date of next meeting

District Director informed the date of the next District Council Meeting will be Sunday 19th April 2026

### Closure of Meeting

District Director, Nicky Jurd DTM, officially closed the District Council Meeting at 2:24pm