



Aloha Toastmasters District 49  
"One Canoe, Many Paddles"  
**District Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
Saturday, April 19, 2008

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**I. Call to Order**

District Governor Kevin Doyle called the meeting to order at 9:08 AM.

The following members were in attendance:

<b>Kevin Doyle</b>	<b>Carolyn Sawai</b>	<b>Gloria Shishido</b>
<b>Anne Myers</b>	<b>Robert Lum</b>	<b>Nelson Nakagawa</b>
<b>Debora Tandal</b>	<b>Laurie Makiya</b>	<b>Kathy Helfrich</b>
<b>Khem Sharma</b>	<b>Yisa Price</b>	<b>Lorene Fujimoto</b>
<b>Michael Mackey</b>	<b>Frank Vargo</b>	<b>Ron Mobley</b>

**II. Calendar** - items were deleted from the calendar. The calendar will be secured going forward.

**III. Invocation** – Ron Mobley shared the invocation.

**IV. Flag Pledge** – Kevin led the flag pledge.

**V. Reading of the District Mission** – Kevin led the reading of the District Mission.

**VI. Minutes – Kevin Doyle**

The minutes of the March 15, 2008 meeting were approved as amended with one amendment:

Page 6, Adjournment - instead of 2003 Bishop Street corrected to 1003 Bishop Street.

**VII. Officers' Reports**

**A. District Governor – Kevin Doyle**

Kevin's written report is on file.

**Critical Success Factors**

Kevin went over the Critical Success Factor numbers. We are doing very well towards the District Distinguished goal. We have 196 membership payments to go. Many of the clubs did not recharter with full payments. We have two or three new clubs that may charter. We are behind in membership payments from where we ought to be in order to meet the goal. We need over three members per club. We need to emphasize the payments.

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The number of Competent Communicator, Advanced Communicator, and Leadership awards has slowed. Kevin asked Lisa to follow up with the Area Governors (AGs) on those individuals the clubs identified as completing awards by June 30, 2008 during the area visits.

Toastmasters International (TI) has eliminated the grace period for membership payments toward Distinguished Club Program.

### Distinguished Status

We have 17 distinguished clubs already. 13 appear to have met the District Governor's challenge. Four clubs just missed the goal. We need to share with the clubs what they need to do to become distinguished.

**Area 9:** Frank Vargo - Select Distinguished Area

**Area 11:** Gail Hamada - Distinguished Area

**Division C:** Debora Tandal - Select Distinguished Division

Distinguished clubs:

**Area 1:** Na Hoku Kai and Ward Transformers - Distinguished

**Area 2:** Queen's and Spirent - Distinguished

**Area 4:** Hawaii Kai - Distinguished

**Area 5:** DBEDT for Business- Distinguished

**Area 6:** Hawaiian Electric and First Hawaiian Center - Distinguished

**Area 7:** Ala Moana - Distinguished.

**Area 9:** SSFM, Servco, and Nuuanu - Distinguished.

Ho'oponopono Pa'ahao - President's Distinguished

**Area 10:** Mililani - Select Distinguished

**Area 11:** Downtown BA and Hawaiian Dredging - Distinguished

**Area 12:** Hilo club - President's Distinguished

Kevin presented District 49 ranking in relation to the other Districts in the Region. District 49 is doing well on Renewals.

### Proxies

Kevin had a question from Debbie Revilla on whether she can give her DEC vote to someone to vote. Ron Mobley answered no and the DEC vote does not count as a proxy.

The Area Governor can have club proxies from clubs they are members of. There are two club proxies for the President and VP of Education. The Area Governors have a maximum of three votes, the two club proxies and their own vote.

Ron Mobley stated to get the proxies even though the President and VP of Education are attending the conference so that if anything happens someone will have the proxy.

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Kevin stated there will be blank proxies at the conference as we need a quorum to conduct business to elect district officers and approve the realignment.

### **B. Lieutenant Governor of Education and Training – Lisa Foster**

Lisa was not present. She did file a written report.

Cat presented Lisa's report.

- Advance Communicators are still six short. Push to get the ACs in.
- Lisa listed all of the Speech Contest Winners to date on her report.

### **C. Lieutenant Governor of Marketing – Carolyn “Cat” Sawai**

Cat's written report is on file.

#### **Goals**

Cat said that Kevin already went over the club goals and payment goals. Cat presented clubs who renewed with 10 or less members. Ha'Aheo Wahine had less than six renewals and Kamaaina did not renew.

Cat will pass out tip sheets to the AGs for membership building.

#### **Club Leads**

Update on three potential clubs.

- John Wayte was tremendous in getting this club done. Charter paperwork in, officers trained, and just waiting on the last seven checks.
- Mike Mackey spoke about the All Islanders club where he is the anchor. The last meeting was encouraging. There were at least seven or so on the roster. They have made progress with a couple of new faces. The people have been involved in forming the club, which is encouraging.
- CB Richard Ellis had a demo meeting this past week. Josh Nelson is the anchor of that club and he is collecting checks.

#### **Membership Drive**

Cat has the flyer for the Beat the Clock membership drive from May 1st to June 30th. To make it extra special, the key four will be getting pizza (as well as the club getting a ribbon) for the top three clubs that bring in the most members.

Cat presented a mathematical answer to getting the 196 membership payments:  
 $12$  (2 clubs renewed at a minimum of 6 each) +  $60$  (3 new clubs) +  $110$  (2 members for 55 clubs) = 197 members.

### **D. Public Relations Officer – Flo Johnason**

Flo was not present.

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### **E. Treasurer's Report - Robert Lum**

District checking account as of 3/31/2008 was \$9,900.88. Our district reserve balance as of 2/29/2008 was \$7,938.24. We probably need to draw down our district reserve balance. For travel, the airfares have really increased and we will need to spend more.

### **F. Division and Area Governor Reports –**

#### **1. Division A Governor – Beth Hoban**

Beth was not present. Beth's written report is on file.

#### **2. Division B Governor – Nelson Nakagawa**

Nelson's written report is on file.

The Division B Speech Contest is at 11:00 am today at First Hawaiian Center.

#### **3. Division C Governor – Debora Tandal**

Debora's written report is on file.

## **IX. Committee Reports**

### **Spring Conference**

Ron stated we have 32 signed up for the Spring Conference.

Gloria asked that the Silent Auction be promoted and to bring the baskets to the conference. Kathy Brogden can be contacted to pickup the basket. Kathy Brogden will even make your items into a basket.

We are behind in registrations. We need 100 participants then we can have the entire ballroom for the conference. The cost is \$50 up to 04/30/2008 and \$60 from 5/1/2008.

Ron will be working on the program and Kevin will be giving him pictures.

Clarence Lee will be the recipient for the Communication and Leadership Award. Kevin gave some background and personal experience on Clarence Lee.

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### **Nominations**

Gloria presented the nominees for the 2008 - 2009 year:

- Lisa Foster - District Governor
- Carolyn "Cat" Sawai - Lt. Governor of Education and Training
- Anne Myers - Lt. Governor of Marketing
- Division Governors - Gloria Kern, Laurie Makiya, and Frank Vargo

The following have agreed to serve the respective offices for 2008 - 2009 and will be appointed by the incoming District Governor:

- Angie Aniya - Secretary. Angie will also be filling in and finishing out the term for Khem Sharma who will be leaving Hawaii.
- Jerome Fukuhara - Treasurer
- Tappan Titherington - Public Relations Officer

Gloria Shishido requests the District Executive Committee to recommend the candidates to be voted by the District Council. The elections will be held at the District Business Meeting on May 10, 2008. Respectfully submitted by Gloria Shishido.

Kevin asked for any objections to moving the recommendations of the nominating committee forward to the District Business Meeting on May 10, 2008. Hearing no objections, the nominations for the elected officers will be forwarded to the full District Council.

Ron brought up that there is still the possibility that someone could be nominated from the floor.

### **X. Confirmation of Quorum –**

Ron Mobley confirmed quorum of 14 of 22 voting members of the DEC were present.

### **XI. Unfinished Business -**

No unfinished business.

### **XII. New Business –**

#### **Proposed 2008-2009 Area Alignment**

The proposed area alignment for 2008-2009 was distributed. Kevin stated we can adjust the alignment. We did not do so for a long time but we have been doing this for the past three years. The adjustments are smaller this year. Gloria did the initial realignments then Kevin, Lisa, Cat met on the realignments.

We found that Division A and C have the stronger clubs. Division B has the smaller clubs making it harder for those Area Governors. They tried to keep the areas together

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geographically. We keep the separation of the neighbor island clubs in each of the different divisions with Kauai in B, Maui in A, and Hawaii in C. This may not be how we want to do in the future if for instance there is a Division Governor from the neighbor islands then we may want to put the neighbor island clubs in one division so they have a focus. Also, the prison clubs are spread out among the divisions. The membership numbers on the handout are old numbers as of three months ago.

Kevin stated we need to be careful to assign the new clubs to the appropriate area.

Kevin asked if there were any objections to moving this forward to the District Council. Hearing on objections, we will present to the District Council the area alignment for 2008-2009 with amendment if any new clubs are chartered.

**XIII. Announcements**

Please check the district web page as we put new information all of the time. For instance, the proxies are being tracked and the Region 2 conference information is available.

**Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 10:43 AM after a presentation by Lina Carahasen on her Area Governor Research Project. The next meeting will be on Saturday, June 21, 2008 at 8:00 AM at the Queen's Medical Center, Kamehameha Auditorium.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Anne Myers**

**Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_