

INTERNATIONAL OFFICER/DIRECTOR CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION



Candidate's Name:

Candidate's Office: Region Number:

Toastmasters member since:

Education:

Employer and/or position:

Served as district governor of district number Term of service:

In term as district governor, district achieved: Distinguished Select Distinguished President's Distinguished

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service (international and regional level):

Toastmasters honors and recognition (international level):

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a Board member:

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

What experience do you have in developing policies?

Service on the Toastmasters International Board of Directors, and well as other boards have given me meaningful and relevant experience in developing policies that sustain and grow an organization such as ours.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

- * Working together works; collaboration fosters lasting, productive relationships and business success.
- * Value and acknowledge everyone's contribution to team success; it's not about you, it's about those you serve.
- * Hard work, loyalty, trust, and personal integrity position you well for personal and professional success.
- * Rising up after a fall, being thankful, saying you are sorry and meaning it, are all pillars of a strong character.

What experience and key strengths would you bring to the Board of Directors?

- * Previous board, corporate, and entrepreneurial experiences afford me a wide array of relevant skills.
- * Reputation as a consensus-builder, big-picture thinker, loyal and enthusiastic team player.
- * Strong cross-cultural acumen, respect for the strength that our differences bring, ability and yearning to create unity.
- * A great ambassador for Toastmasters, just as I have been in service of this and other organizations.

Why do you want to serve as an international officer/director?

With personal and professional experiences as widely varied as I have had, I believe I can bring a point of view that is refreshing, perhaps different, that would add to the debate. I can contribute to moving our strategic vision forward, am committed to our organization and fellow members, and would affirm the aspirations of every member who is willing to step forward and serve Toastmasters at a higher level. I am ready!

What volunteer experience do you have outside of Toastmasters?

- * Current and previous service on the boards of other organizations.
- * Youth basketball coach (girls 8 to 14 years old), Framingham, Massachusetts (Summer 2012).
- * Ambassador, Boston Children's Chorus, Boston, Massachusetts.

Have you worked with other Boards of Directors outside of Toastmasters? If so, describe your experience.

YMCA of Central Massachusetts, Worcester, Massachusetts since 2004: currently chair of the International Committee, and the Global Center of Excellence team, member of the Visioning Committee (previously called the Strategic Planning Committee). My tenure has given me the opportunity to contribute to the strategic vision, represent the organization at various forums within and outside the USA, and help provide guidance and support to the Minority Achievers Program.

In your opinion, what are Toastmasters International's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

Our major objectives are spelled out in the Strategic Plan. With our core values as our guide to implementation, I would work toward increasing our brand recognition, pursuing growth not only within our current footprint, but also in underserved regions of the world, increasing the use of technology in all aspects of our operations, train and prepare future leaders for the challenges that lie ahead. I can help, and would be honored by the opportunity to serve again.

Additional information about candidate:

- * Scrabble player, tennis player, American football fanatic.
- * Favorite quote: "The person who says it can't be done should not interrupt the person doing it". (a Chinese proverb)