

# Electronic Vote of the 2020-2021 Board of Directors December 23, 2020

The 2020-2021 Toastmasters International Board of Directors, International President Richard E. Peck, DTM; International President-Elect Margaret Page, DTM; First Vice President Matt Kinsey, DTM; Second Vice President Morag Mathieson, DTM; Immediate Past International President Deepak Menon, DTM; and International Directors Sal Asad, DTM; Sudha Balajee, DTM; Dorothy Isa Du, DTM; Roy Ganga, DTM; Karen Lucas, DTM; Melissa McGavick, DTM; Stefano McGhee, DTM; Elizabeth Nostedt, DTM; TK O'Geary, DTM; Harold Osmundson, DTM; Mohamad A. Qayoom, DTM; Aletta Rochat, DTM; Lesley Storkey, DTM; Naomi Takeuchi, DTM ratified by electronic consent culminating on December 23, 2020, the approval of the Policy Review Committee's recommendation to adopt the changes to Policy 8.3: District Leader Expenses (attached), effective February 1, 2021.

Pursuant to Protocol 11.3: Board of Directors Confidentiality, items contained in the minutes of this meeting were classified as "unrestricted" upon distribution of the minutes by World Headquarters, not to include any matters marked "restricted."

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# **District Leader Expenses**

#### 1. District Leader Expenses Paid by World Headquarters

- A. District expenses are governed by Article XII, Section 2, of the Bylaws of Toastmasters International.
- B. World Headquarters reimburses the travel expenses of the District Director, Program Quality Director, and Club Growth Director (including for Provisional District leaders and equivalent leadership roles for Territorial Councils) for the mid-year and August trainings as follows:
  - I. World Headquarters fully reimburses round-trip public transportation costs at the lowest rate between the passenger terminal nearest the training site and the home of the officer.
  - II. World Headquarters reimburses motor vehicle transportation at the current charitable mileage rate in effect for federal income tax purposes by the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) by the most direct route for the following individuals:
    - United States citizens residing in the United States; or
    - United States citizens residing outside of the United States who file a United States tax return; or
    - Non-United States citizens residing in the United States.

For non-United States citizens residing outside of the United States, reimbursement is governed by local regulations and/or District policy, not to exceed the current IRS standard business rate.

Mileage reimbursement shall not exceed the lowest airfare rate. A person accompanying another person receiving reimbursement is not entitled to reimbursement.

- III. World Headquarters reimburses actual costs incurred for any other mode of transportation not exceeding the lowest airfare rate.
- C. District Directors attending the International Convention each receive a \$30 USD per diem (not exceeding \$120 USD) when the District Director attends the Candidate Corner, Candidate Showcase, and the Annual Business Meeting; and one (1) discounted convention registration.
- D. World Headquarters does not provide reimbursement for travel or expenses for Territorial Council leaders except as specified above.

## 2. District Leader Expenses Paid by Districts

- A. District expenses paid by Districts are governed by Article XII, Section (a) of the District Administrative Bylaws. Expense reimbursements to District leaders must be included in the District budget.
- B. For Mid-Year District Leader Training, Districts may reimburse the District Director, Program Quality Director, and Club Growth Director for lodging and transportation expenses not paid by World Headquarters. Meals may be reimbursed up to \$30 USD per day.

- C. For August District Leader Training, Districts may reimburse the District Director, Program Quality Director, and Club Growth Director, and other leaders for whom training is provided and authorized by Toastmasters International, for lodging and transportation expenses not paid by World Headquarters. Meals may be reimbursed up to \$30 USD per day.
- D. For International Convention, Districts may reimburse the District Director, Program Quality Director, and Club Growth Director for registration, lodging, and transportation expenses not paid by World Headquarters. Meals may be reimbursed up to \$30 USD per day.
- E. For International Convention, Districts may reimburse the Immediate Past District Director for registration, lodging, and transportation expenses not paid by World Headquarters.
- F. Districts do not reimburse any other individuals **unless approved by the Chief Executive Officer** for travel outside the District or for items related to travel outside the District.
- G. Registration includes conference or convention registration and ticketed events and meals that are part of the conference or convention.
- H. Lodging includes hotel accommodations, including applicable taxes; it excludes personal telephone expenses and other incidental expenses.
- I. All expenses listed in this section must be substantiated by receipts.

## 3. General District Leader Expense Provisions

- A. Reimbursement of travel expenses is based on full participation and attendance.
- B. Allowable travel expenses may include up to round-trip airfare or other public transportation (coach) or mileage up to the current charitable standard mileage rate in effect for federal income tax purposes by the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) by the most direct route for the following individuals:
  - United States citizens residing in the United States; or
  - United States citizens residing outside of the United States who file a United States tax return; or
  - Non-United States citizens residing in the United States.

For non-United States citizens residing outside of the United States, reimbursement is governed by local regulations and/or District policy, not to exceed the current IRS standard business rate.

- C. Travel expenses exclude motor vehicle rentals, gasoline, and incidental expenses.
- D. If a District leader's registered domicile is outside the geographic boundaries of the District in which they are serving, reimbursement is based either on the residence at the time of the election or on the farthest geographic boundary of the District, whichever is less.
- D-E. If a District leader moves out of the geographic boundaries of the District from which that District leader was elected, reimbursement is based either on the residence at the time of election or on the current residence, whichever is less.

E F. Districts do not provide any expense payments to speech contestants attending the International Convention.