Minutes of the 2019-2020 Board of Directors Teleconference
December 4, 2019

The 2019-2020 Toastmasters International Board of Directors convened December 4, 2019, with International President Deepak Menon, DTM, presiding. The officers and directors present were: Richard E. Peck, DTM; Margaret Page, DTM; Matt Kinsey, DTM; Lark Doley, DTM; Sudha Balajee, DTM; John Lesko, DTM; Joan T. Lewis, DTM; Anthony J. Longley, DTM; Larry Marik, DTM; Stefano S. McGhee, DTM; TK O’Geary, DTM; Carol Prahinski, DTM; Mohamad A. Qayoom, DTM; Aletta Rochat, DTM; Naomi Takeuchi, DTM; David Templeman, DTM; Tuire Vuolasvirta, DTM; Susan Zhou, DTM; and Chief Executive Officer Daniel Rex. Chief Financial Officer John Bond, Secretary Angela Mennenga, and Executive Services Manager Mona Shah were also present. No Board members were absent.

1. The Board reviewed and accepted the agenda as presented.

2. The Board reviewed and adopted the Executive Committee’s recommended changes to Policy 5.0: Corporate and Community Activities (attached). The Board also discussed the Toastmasters International and Rotary International alliance and looks forward to a positive relationship that will support Toastmasters International’s mission and strengthen and grow Toastmasters clubs and membership.

   International Director McGhee abstained and International Director Marik voted against the proposed modifications to Policy 5.0: Corporate and Community Activities.

3. The Executive Committee presented its recommendation for the Board to approve the proposed 2020 Toastmasters International budget. Chief Executive Officer Daniel Rex explained the approach used to develop the budget and other information included in the documentation to support the budget proposal. Chief Financial Officer John Bond provided a detailed review of each component of the 2020 budget, including the statement of activities, capital expenditures and department operating budgets.

   The Board unanimously voted to adopt the Executive Committee’s recommendation to approve the 2020 Toastmasters International budget.

   The Board unanimously adopted a motion to add a note clarifying that the Board’s August 2019 decision regarding district reserve reallocations was not reflected in the five-year forecast included with the budget.

As there was no other business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned.

Pursuant to Policy 11.3, 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” or “highly confidential.”
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Toastmasters International and Other Organizations Corporate and Community Activities

1. The Toastmasters International Board of Directors may authorize the establishment of alliances between Toastmasters International and other organizations. Such alliances must further the mission and strategic goals of Toastmasters International and its clubs. Does not create, promote, sponsor, or endorse causes or service activities or projects of other organizations.

2. The Chief Executive Officer negotiates such alliances on behalf of Toastmasters International; all related agreements are subject to the approval of the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.

3. Alliance agreements shall not include provisions that require Toastmasters clubs to participate in any activities or take any action.

4. Toastmasters clubs, Districts, and other administrative units shall not enter into an alliance with any organization.

52. The educational programs of Toastmasters International may only be used to provide communication and leadership development activities which are consistent with and related to the Toastmasters International mission and which preserve its identity as a nonprofit educational organization.

63. When Toastmasters International cooperates with other organizations, to the extent that the separate identity of Toastmasters International is must be maintained, and with the understanding that such contact or cooperation does not constitute or imply formal endorsement.