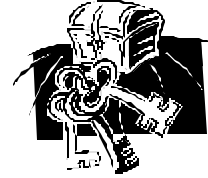




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December 28, 2002

Dear Club President,

Club Presidents and Vice-Presidents of Education are members of the District Council. The District Council must adopt the District budget and confirm the appointed District Officers at the Fall Council Meeting. At the District 47 Fall Council Meeting on October 26, 2002, we did not have a quorum. Per the District Administrative Bylaws, "in the event any business is transacted at any District Council meeting at which a quorum is not present, the action shall be deemed as valid as if a quorum were present if it thereafter is expressly approved in writing by the affirmative vote of a majority of the member Clubs in the District on the basis of two (2) votes per Club."

I am enclosing copies of the minutes from the Fall Council Meeting, the budget, and list of appointed District Officers for your review. If you are in agreement with the actions taken at the District Council meeting, please sign the enclosed form and mail it back to me. I have included an envelope for your convenience.

If your Club elects officers semi-annually, please make sure that the new officer list is submitted to Toastmasters International before December 31, 2002.

Club Officer training will be held in January and February 2003. Even if your Club has annual officer terms, officers must still attend an officer training before February 28, 2003 for your Club to receive credit toward the Distinguished Club Program goal for officers trained. The District will be holding a Planet Toastmasters in Orlando on January 4, 2003 at the Darden training facility. The registration flyer is posted on the District website. Each Division will also be holding a Planet Toastmasters. Club officers can attend any Planet Toastmasters to receive training. Information is being posted on the District 47 website: www.toastmastersd47.org as soon as we receive it from the Division Governors. For more information you can contact your Area or Division Governor. **Please** remind your Club Officers to pre-register for the Planet Toastmasters session they plan to attend. This will aid in the planning for the room arrangements, food, handouts, etc.

Our Spring District Council meeting will be held on May 17, 2003 at the Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs. I am enclosing a registration flyer, which includes a notice of the District Council meeting and a Proxy. Please announce the conference to your Club and encourage your members to attend.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures