



District 19 District Council Virtual Business
Meeting Minutes (Approved)
April 26, 2025

A virtual meeting of the District 19 Council was held on Saturday, Spring 26, 2025, via Zoom Meeting. District Director, Saeko VonBehren, DTM presided.

CALL TO ORDER by District Director Saeko VonBehren, DTM

INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT: Jennifer Zach, PM2

DISTRICT MISSION: Janelle Brehm, EC3

MEETING APPOINTMENTS:

Secretary: Saeko VonBehren, DTM for Administration Manager Role

Timer: Serina Collins, VC3

Credentials Committee Chair: Tammy Dunn Peterson, DTM

CREDENTIALS REPORT: Credentials Committee Chair, Tammy Dunn Peterson, DTM

- A quorum was verified. Credentials report was adopted without objection.

ADOPTION OF THE MEETING RULES

- The meeting rules were distributed 14 days before the meeting and adopted without objection.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

- The agenda was distributed 14 days before the meeting and adopted without objection.

MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

- The September 2024 District 19 District Council meeting minutes were distributed 14 days before the meeting and approved and have been posted to the District 19 website.

OFFICER REPORTS

- Reports were agreed to be no longer than two (2) minutes.
 - Program Quality Director: Tammy Dunn Peterson, DTM
 - Club Growth Director: Ashley Bonner, PI2

- o Immediate Past District Director: Mathew Kanour, PI5
- o Finance Manager: Saeko VonBehren, DTM (serving in addition to District Director duties following resignation of previous Finance Manager)
- o Public Relations Manager, Doug Goodwin, LD1
- o Division W Director: Brian Campbell, LD4
- o Division X Director: Joshua Matthews, LD4
- o Division Y Director: David Boberg, PM5
- o Division Z Director: Anne Sposato, DTM
- o District Director Saeko VonBehren, DTM

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1) Mid-Year Audit - Sherry Sullivan, DTM (absent)

Sherry Sullivan, DT presented the mid-year audit report conducted by her and the committee members. The report was distributed 14 days before the meeting and adopted without objection.

2) Annual Alignment – Carrie Dostal, EC1

Carrie Dostal, EC1 presented the annual alignment report highlighting the needs of reducing the number of divisions from 4 to 2 to be compliant with the Toastmasters International policies.

3) 2025 Spring Conference – David Boberg, PM5

David Boberg, PM5 presented the 2025 spring conference report. The conference will be on May 2nd and 3rd in Johnston, Iowa.

4) District Realignment – WHQ Initiatives for Region 1-7 (D19 part of Region 4), Ike Rayford, DTM (absent)

Ike Rayford, DTM, was distributed 14 days before the meeting and adopted without objection. The District Realignment report, outlining significant changes that are expected to impact District 19. The final decision will be made by Toastmasters International, with the new district configurations taking effect in the 2026–2027 program year. The District Council will not vote on the new configuration.

5) District Leadership Committee (DLC)- Election for 2025-2026 Program Year Mathew Kanour, PI5

Mathew Kanour, PI5 presented the District Leadership Committee report. District Director held elections. The following candidates were elected.

- Tammy Dunn Peterson, DTM – District Director
- Ashley Bonner, PI1 – Program Quality Director
- Matthew Chavers, DTM – Club Growth Director
- Sherry Washburn, DTM – Division Director

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2025 Spring Conference – May 2-3 2025, Hilton Garden Inn Urbandale/Johnston

2026 Spring Conference Location - Pilgrim Heights Camp & Retreat Center in Montour, IA

ADJOURNED

Saeko VonBehren, DTM
District 19 Director 2024 - 2025

District 19 established 1946
Serving Town Communities since 1946

Hannah Jensen appointed
A Finance Manager

Tammy Dunn Peterson, District
Director
8/6/25