



TOASTMASTERS
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Parliamentarian Report

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It is my honour and pleasure to serve District Director Lance McMahan DTM and the District 39 Toastmasters for the 2023-2024 Toastmaster Year.

The highlight at this year's International Convention in Nassau, Bahamas was the election of D39's **Sondra Nunez**, DTM PRA as International Director for 2023-2025. Sondra joins an exclusive group of individuals who have served D39 on prior International Boards:

Earleen Norris {2008-2010}

Patty Fong {1999-2001}

Rick Sydor {1996-1998}

Lloyd Gavin {1991-1993}

Renate Daniels {1988-1990}

Marcia Peters {1981-1983}

Arun Sen {1976-1978}

Jack Hartman {1972-1974}

Al Burlingame {1960-1972}

Roger Moore {1956-1958}

Important information shared at the Board Briefing included the definitions of Toastmaster's "core values" of Integrity, Respect, Service and Excellence. It's now part of Toastmasters policy 1.1. Toastmasters International Core Values

- Integrity - We match our actions with our words, demonstrate honesty and trustworthiness, communicate with sincerity and thoughtfulness, have the courage to acknowledge our mistakes, and always strive to do the right thing.
- Respect - We treat all with dignity, welcome diverse perspectives, acknowledge all contributions, believe that all have positive intent, practice mutual accountability, and critique but never demean.
- Service - We strive to provide high-value, exceptional support by being responsive, attentive, and passionate in fulfilling our duties as individuals and as an organization to all.
- Excellence - We consistently strive to meet or exceed expectations by upholding the Toastmasters Promise, nurturing a collaborative environment, innovating to deliver creative solutions, and optimizing quality to produce superior service.

As I have in the past reminded all Toastmasters, if you want to know what's happening "down the road" with the future of TM, the Board minutes are available on the WHQ website from February 2012. The latest Board Minutes that are available are from June 26, 2023. Toastmasters Policy and Procedures are also available on the WHQ website, for your reading pleasure. Read and become informed.

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