



PARRAMATTA TOASTMASTERS CLUB

PO Box 578, Parramatta, NSW, 2124
Club 2274, Area 13, Western Division, District 90, Region 12

Minutes of Club Meeting #1401 (May 16 2019)

VENUE: Linden Room, Parramatta RSL Club, 2 Macquarie St, Parramatta NSW, 2150			
COMMENCED:	6.30pm	TOTAL ATTENDEES:	37
CHAIRMAN:	Alicia Leise	PRESENT MEMBERS:	27 out of 37 active members
THEME:	Spin the bottle	QUORUM:	Yes (needed 19)
SECRETARY	Vicki Sheehan		

Attendance

PRESENT MEMBERS (27)	VISITORS (10)	APOLOGIES (10)
Alicia Leise Anthony Bounassif Barbara Mifsud Christine Huynh Christine Wearne Edim Hudjur Elizabeth Wilson (OAM) Gary Wilson (OAM) Jennifer Buenconsejo John New John Taylor Karl Pereira Linda Said Matt Tonkiss Michael Fong Mike Kano-McCallum Michael Said Monique Tonna Peter Steinhour Rob Tibbertsma Ron Marriott Sabesh Sitsabesan Sam Fenton Sean Leise Sinu Thilak Thida Win Vicki Sheehan	Sandeep Singh Prateek Prem Rohan Ghandi Havishan Thirurajah Sankara Sundaram Andrew Emerson Minaji Ramalingham Summers Flores River Flores Elizabeth Win	Allie Marriott Anu Vijayan Gary Azar Ian Lipski John Bright Omar Ikhras Mandy Chui Rosina Tombs Vivek Singhal Wendy Lipski

Resolution: 'That the apologies for non-attendance at tonight's meeting be accepted'

Moved by: Sam Fenton	Seconded by: Edim Hudjur	CARRIED
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FUTURE APOLOGIES

Vicki Sheehan (23/5)	Gary Wilson (23/5)		
Matt Tonkiss (23/5)	John Taylor (23/5)		
Elizabeth Wilson (23/5)			

MINUTES

Resolution: 'That the minutes for meeting #1400 be taken as read and confirmed'

Moved by: Vicki Sheehan	Seconded by: Michael Said	CARRIED
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CORRESPONDENCE IN -

Date	To	Details
16/5/2019	Parramatta TM	Bill for the Post box
16/5/2019	Parramatta TM	Bank statement from Westpac

Resolution: 'That the correspondence in be received'

Moved by: Vicki Sheehan	Seconded Rob Tibbertsma	CARRIED
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CORRESPONDENCE OUT –

Date	To	Details
3/5/2019	Karan Shar	Responses to an inquiry about our club through Club Leads
	Vicki Sheehan	Condolence card sent

Resolution: 'That the correspondence out to be endorsed'

Moved by: Vicki Sheehan	Seconded Karl Pereira	CARRIED
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Business Arising

We are now sharing our Post Office box with Parramatta Breakfast Club

REPORTS

SERGEANT AT ARMS – no report

TREASURER – no report

VICE PRESIDENT PUBLIC RELATIONS (VPPR) – no report

VICE PRESIDENT MEMBERSHIP (VPM) –

-Currently the club has 67 paid members of which 37 are active. The quorum for meetings is now 19.

VICE PRESIDENT EDUCATION (VPE)

-Next Thursday, May 23rd is the 3rd meeting for this month and it is a backwards meeting. It will be a lot of fun. The program is flipped, so we hear evaluation before a speech is given and we start with the awards.

-As VPE I lodge awards achieved by members to Toastmasters International. A member is recognised tonight for a very important award. Monique Tonna has achieved her Excellence in Leadership Award, Leadership Silver Award and consequently her DTM (Distinguished Toast Master)

Monique was presented with the DTM badge by Michael Fong and then addressed the Club

"I came to Parramatta Toastmasters club in April 2011, then spent time travelling, so, officially I have been a member since 2012. When I look back to those early days, I was so nervous when I spoke and I felt sick before most speeches. Now I can do a speech and feel confident. Thank you to everyone who has helped me achieve this award."

-Report from Speechcraft Coordinator – Sabesh Sitsabesan. I am enjoying running the Speechcraft course and lots of Toastmasters have been volunteering to help so thank you very much.

Resolution: 'That the report be received'

Moved by: Sam Fenton	Seconded by: Christine Huynh	CARRIED
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PRESIDENT

- Next weekend in District 90 Toastmasters Conference. If you want to attend a particular event, not the whole conference, the Gala dinner is the event to go to. Lance Miller, 2005 best speaker in the world is the key note speaker. Alicia Leise is speaking in evaluation contest in Sunday. It is at the Parramatta Novotel, so it is close. Registrations close tomorrow.

-Taking receipt of EFTPOS machine tomorrow. It will then be determined between the Treasurer and myself how to use it. I expect to roll it out at the next meeting

Resolution: 'That the report be received'

Moved by: Michael Fong	Seconded by: Sabesh Sitsabesan	CARRIED
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GENERAL BUSINESS

Report from the Webmaster

-The Club's website has been upgraded and moved to a secure server. This upgrade caused some problems, such as the menus not working in secure mode. It has taken 2 months to fix, but now all is working. It was essential to move the website to a secure server, not because we were at threat from hackers, but because Google puts a "not secure" on websites in the search page and this doesn't look professional, and causes people not to go to those websites.

-Michael Said complimented Gary on the professional look and continual maintenance of the Club's Website.

Resolution: 'That the report be received'

Moved by: Gary Wilson	Seconded by: Michael Said	CARRIED
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-Matt Tonkiss is in speaking in the District 70 Competition for Evaluation, Table topics and International. We wish him every success.

SPEAKING PROGRAM –

Toastmaster: Peter Steinhour

#	Name	Title	Project	Evaluator
1	Christine Wearne	What's love got to do with it	Level 1 Pathways: Icebreaker	Linda Said
2	John New	Become a technical writer	CC Project 9. Persuade with power	John Taylor
3	Vicki Sheehan	Happy 21 st James	Advanced manual speciality speeches	Alicia Leise
4	Barbara Mifsud	From housewife to household name	Pathways: Research and Presenting	Sabesh Sitsabesan
5	Matt Tonkiss	Fearless	Competition speech for international speech contest	Monique Tonna

AWARDS

Best Table Topic	Mike Kano-McCallum
Best Evaluator	Monique Tonna
Best Speaker	Matt Tonkiss
Stirrer's Spoon	Gary Wilson
Icebreaker	Christine Wearne

MEETING DECLARED CLOSED: 9:27 PM