



March 31, 2023

District 36 Leadership Committee Report

In accordance with Toastmasters International guidelines, the District Leadership Committee (DLC) performed the task of finding the best candidates to serve as district officers. Committee responsibilities include:

- Ensuring receipt of signed District Leader Agreement and Release Statement
- Screening candidates for eligibility
- Conducting interviews
- Confirming the candidates accept their nomination
- Submitting a committee report to the District Director
- As per Protocol 9.0: Ensuring there is a minimum of one (1) candidate each for the offices of District Director and Program Quality Director; two (2) or more candidates for the office of Club Growth Director; and a minimum of one (1) candidate for all other elective District offices (All Division Director positions are considered the same position).

The DLC has complied with the responsibilities above and has selected the following candidates to be placed on the ballot for election at the District 36 Council Meeting on **Monday May 15, 2023**.

District Director	Gwendolyn (Gwen) Miller, DTM
Program Quality Director	Ramu Garapati, ACB, CL, PM3, IP3, MS2
Club Growth Director	Arvind Madabushi Venugopal, DTM
Division Director	Ilya Polonchuk, CC
Division Director	Sadaf Shezhad, IP2

Per Protocol 9.0, 4. Nomination Results:

E. The DLC report is incomplete if the DLC is unable to nominate the required number of candidates for any individual office(s).

F. If the DLC report is incomplete, qualified candidates may run from the floor for any position for which the DLC did not nominate the required number of candidates. Qualified candidates must notify the District Director [at least] seven (7) days prior to their intent to run from the floor. Any nominations made by the DLC are valid.

The DLC report is valid and incomplete for the positions of Club Growth Director and Division Director.

I thank the Leadership committee members for their time and service to the District. They demonstrated Toastmaster core values – Respect, Integrity, Service and Excellence – with their thoughtful deliberations. They will continue to encourage members to continue on a toastmaster leadership journey. The DLC members are listed in the order of their division representation on the next page.

Eric Wilber, CC, PI4

Melisma Cox, DTM

Bernadette Catalan, DTM

Shirley Bryant, PM1 (stepped down for personal reasons)

Lora Katz, CL, TC1 (replacement for Shirley Bryant)

William McCrorey, DTM

Sue Chand, PM5

Herman Raybon, DTM

It was my immense honor to serve District 36 in this capacity.

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "B. Maidak".

Bonnie L. Maidak, DTM, IPDD
District 36 Leadership Committee Chair