



Club Leadership Training Session

# **Achieving Success As President**



## Why are we here?

- ▶ Helping officers clearly understand their roles
- ▶ Helping members understand what to expect from club officers
- ▶ Aiding members when evaluating candidates for office
- ▶ Facilitating communication when expectations differ



# What does a Club President Do?

- ▶ First inclination, run screaming from room?

Toastmasters International states in the Constitution and Bylaws: “The club president is the chief executive officer of this club and is responsible for fulfilling the mission of the club.”



## **What is the mission of the club?**

**We provide a supportive and positive learning experience in which members are empowered to develop communication and leadership skills, resulting in greater self-confidence and personal growth.**



## What does all this mean?

▶ Always remember who this is about!!

▶ **THE CLUB MEMBERS**



# Things to do as President

- ▶ Your role as the president
- ▶ Inside the Club Meeting
- ▶ Outside the Club Meeting
- ▶ Executive club meetings



# Role of the President

- ▶ Set the tone for the club
- ▶ Preside over club meetings
- ▶ Schedule and run Executive Committee meetings
- ▶ Primary liaison with the District Leadership



# Role of the President

- ▶ Understand all officer roles
  - ▶ VP Education
  - ▶ VP Membership
  - ▶ VP Public Relations
  - ▶ Treasure
  - ▶ Secretary
  - ▶ Sergeant At Arms





## Role of the President

- ▶ Work closely with VPE
  - ▶ The VPE acts as President when President is absent
  - ▶ The President acts as VPE when VPE is absent



## Setting the tone for the club

- ▶ Work with VPE to determine member educational needs
- ▶ Talk with members to determine their goals
- ▶ Define and drive club goals
- ▶ Ensure all officers are trained



## During the meeting: Ensure key roles are filled

- ▶ Secretary role must be fulfilled
  - ▶ Minutes must be taken
- ▶ Sergeant At Arms
  - ▶ Sets up the room
  - ▶ Tables, Chairs set up
  - ▶ Ballots provided to all attendees
  - ▶ Agenda distributed to all attendees



## During the meeting: Ensure necessary roles are filled (Cont'd)

- ▶ Sergeant At Arms (Cont'd)
  - ▶ Ensures banner is displayed properly
  - ▶ Greets guests, introduce them to President
  - ▶ Reset / Clean the room after the meeting



## At the Club Meeting

- ▶ Start and end the meeting on time
- ▶ Welcome and introduce guests
  - ▶ Get there early
  - ▶ Lead by example
- ▶ Organized meetings & business meeting
- ▶ Recognize member achievements
  - ▶ Celebrate everything – Why?



## At the Club Meeting (continued)

- ▶ Report club's progress
  - ▶ Explain and Educate about DCP
  - ▶ Moments of Truth results/progress
  - ▶ Remember Achieving Members result in Successful Clubs
- ▶ Build a family atmosphere – it is when people enjoy and learn that they achieve



## Outside the Club Meeting

- ▶ How can we ensure club officers know their responsibilities and how to fulfill them?
- ▶ Encourage all your officers to attend TLI Session (along with you)
- ▶ Represent your club at International, District and Division Events & vote at the Business meetings (if unable attend get a proxy).



## Outside the Club Meeting

- ▶ Ensure all club offices are filled for the succeeding term, nominating committee
- ▶ Prepare successor for office
- ▶ Oversee the administrative operation of the club
- ▶ Schedule and chair monthly executive committee meetings





# Executive Committee Meetings

- ▶ Why are EC meetings important?
  - ▶ This is where your team is made!!
- ▶ Map a blueprint for success (DCP & Club Success plan)
- ▶ Monitor progress of your goals
- ▶ Plan club meetings, contests and programs



# The Executive Committee

Every member is responsible for

- ▶ Making the club enjoyable
- ▶ All club business
- ▶ All administrative issues
- ▶ Helping the members achieve and in so doing the club achieves its goals



# Your Leadership Opportunity

- ▶ Set realistic and attainable goals
- ▶ Plan how to accomplish the goals
- ▶ Delegate tasks as needed
- ▶ Monitor progress toward goals
- ▶ Coach team members when necessary



# Your Leadership Opportunity

**What are your goals for this Year**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.



***A responsibility  
and  
a privilege***