

Timber Talkers, Toastmasters International, Board Meeting  
November 16, 2010

In attendance: Tom, Marc, Eric, Rebecca, Stephen, Karen

Meeting started at 1:10 PM.

Marc gave a report on the mentor program. There are 8 mentees and 3 mentors and all who have requested a mentor have one. He also reported that there are about 10 people a week who read the on-line blog. Tom asked whether there would be more people who read it if it was part of an email? We have a Face Book community and community building may be better through that.

Rebecca reported that the video camera drops frames for the first 40 seconds after going into record mode. She wondered what the best workflow would be for setting up the camera equipment because sometimes no one wants to be taped and it takes an extra 10 minutes to set up. Sending an email and asking speakers if they want to be taped might be best to save time when the equipment doesn't need to be used. She also had questions about editing that she will work with Karen to solve.

Eric reported there have been 12 new members since July and we won a Smedley Award. This gives us a discount when we order supplies through TI. He will work on getting an update on the number of members and guests attending the meetings. We still need to contact members who have not been at a meeting for a while and encourage them to come back.

Stephen will be giving a 10-15 minute speech at the next meeting on doing evaluations.

Karen reported that she finally gets the bank statements from US Bank after three months of going into the branch office to get a copy of them. She also noticed at the meeting today there were two people new to their roles that were having questions. She sent out an email to the officers earlier suggesting that we print and laminate cards with specific roles and their duties that can be pulled before a meeting for them. For example, there would be a card for the timer with the time limits of Table Topics and Evaluations, etc. Rebecca will use Marc's synopses for each role and prepare a set of cards.

Tom talked about the success of the 10 Minutes for New Members after the regular meetings. There was discussion on how to market the meeting on a specific topic such as evaluations. Renaming these short meetings was discussed and the possibilities are Debriefings or 10 Minutes for Members. It would also be helpful to have Marc's full sheet of role synopses at the front table for people to pick up as they come in.

Next scheduled officers meeting is December 16<sup>th</sup> in the evening, time and place to be decided. Also the officers would like to keep the meeting schedule through December's holidays and not cancel any meetings, but we will ask for input from the membership.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 PM.

Dutifully recorded by,  
Karen Landey,  
Secretary/Treasurer