



# Minutes of the 2025-2026 Board of Directors Videoconference

January 20, 2026

The 2025-2026 Toastmasters International Board of Directors met on January 20, 2026, with International President Rochat, DTM, presiding. The other officers and directors present were, Distinguished Toastmasters all: McGhee, Seshadri, Gamester, Spear, Baylor, Bown, Fedele, Horberry, Lee, Lucas, Oluyide, Periasamy, Raneri, Saineni, Sukumaran, Taylor, Tonna, and Zaini. The following World Headquarters team members were also present: Hollenbeck, Lam, Lurquin, Shah, Wingrove, Powers, Villa, and Kyriazis. Chief Executive Officer Daniel Rex was absent.

1. The agenda was adopted as presented.
2. The Board received the report (attached) of the January 5-6, 2026, Executive Committee meeting as presented by International President-Elect McGhee. The Board accepted the Committee's report as presented in items #1 and 2. Item #3 was considered subsequently by the Board:

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3. The Board received the report of the Smedley Fund Committee as presented by the chair, First Vice President Seshadri. In accordance with the authority granted to the committee by the Board, the committee reviewed and considered a subsidy request from the District 81 Director on behalf of six Member Clubs in Jamaica for dues assistance as a result of Hurricane Melissa. The committee approved a disbursement from the Smedley Fund for dues assistance for the April to September 2026 renewal period, contingent upon confirmation of each member's status by the Member Club.

As there was no other business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned.

Pursuant to Protocol 11.3: Board of Directors Confidentiality, items contained in the minutes of this meeting were classified as "unrestricted" upon distribution of the minutes by World Headquarters, not to include any matters marked "restricted" or "highly confidential."

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Kristen Kyriazis  
Secretary

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# Minutes of the 2025-2026 Executive Committee Meeting

January 5 and 6, 2026

The 2025-2026 Toastmasters International Executive Committee met on January 5 and 6, 2026, with International President Rochat, DTM, presiding. The other officers present were, Distinguished Toastmasters all: McGhee, Seshadri, and Gamester. Chief Executive Officer Rex and the following World Headquarters team members were also present: Lurquin, Shah, Wingrove, Powers, Villa, and Kyriazis. Immediate Past International President Spear was absent.

1. The agenda was adopted as presented.
2. The Committee received an update on the organization's performance. Chief Executive Officer Rex compared the progress made through the end of November 2025 to the organizational goals from the Strategic Plan.
3. **HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL**

As there was no other business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned.

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