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Ms. Agnes Lewis, DTM

District Director Lewis:

This letter is to inform you that we have completed vetting and nominations for the following candidates to run for District Office for the term 2020-2021.

District Director Candidates: Circe Denyer and Serena McCullough

Program Quality Director Candidate: John Murray

Club Growth Director Candidates: Lawrence Quesada and Jim Kearney

Division A Director Candidate: Albert Lin

Division B Director Candidate: Richard Dickson

Division E Director Candidate: Rose Abbott

We continue to seek three more Division Director Candidates during this extremely challenging time.

Attached to this letter please find the District Leader Biographical Information Forms for all candidates to be distributed to the District Council along with this letter.

Sincerely,

Linda Cota-Kumagai, DTM

Chair/Nominating Committee 2020

DISTRICT LEADER BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION



Candidate's Name:

Candidate's Office: District Number:

Toastmasters member since:

Education:

Business Administration major
Toastmasters - earned Distinguished Toastmaster award June 15, 2018
Pathways VC1 and VC2 award

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

CityMasters Plaza Vice President Education Jul. 01, 2019 Jun. 30, 2020; CityMasters Plaza President Jul. 01, 2018 Jun. 30, 2019; City Masters Crystal Club Vice President Education Jul. 01, 2018 Jun. 30, 2019; Crown City Toastmasters Club Secretary Aug. 01, 2016 Jun. 30, 2017
Area 1 Area Director Jul. 01, 2015 Jun. 30, 2016
Parsons Toastmasters Club Secretary Jan. 01, 2016 Jun. 30, 2016; Parsons Toastmasters Club President Jan. 01, 2015 Jun. 30, 2015; Parsons Toastmasters Club President Jul. 01, 2014 Dec. 31, 2014; Parsons Toastmasters Club Vice President Education Jan. 01, 2014 Jun. 30, 2014; Parsons Toastmasters Club Vice President Membership Jul. 01, 2013 Dec. 31, 2013

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

Area Director of the Year, Founders District, June 2016
President's Distinguished Area 1, Founders District, June 2016
President's Distinguished Club, Parsons Toastmasters, June 2014
Toastmaster of the Year, 2013-2014

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a District leader:

20+ years administrative professional supporting C-suite executives. Experience with logistics, event planning (up to 400 ppl), project and program management.

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

In partnership w/executive team support annual strategic planning & communications with global team of 1,500 people. Experience building vision, mission plans as an Area Director I learned that consistent and constant communication contributes to overall success of a team and it's members.

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

Supported CFO and EVP of global sales managed weekly, monthly and quarterly data reporting for the business unit. Leveraged subject matter experts to drive improved processes and work-flows.

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

Managed Program Manager certification process for 5 years. Worked across business lines to formalize the certification process across the corporation. Leveraged expertise of Operations Managers to develop a uniform program.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

I learned to identify my servant leadership style and how to develop and grow leaders. I believe that developing distinguished members, leads to distinguished clubs, areas and divisions!

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

I was asked to serve as Division E Director 2019-2020 term, decided to build up my home club then serve as DD 2020-2021 term. My goal will be to equip Area E Directors to grow distinguished DTLA clubs by offering resources and information to help clubs overcome unique challenges they face.

In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

The mission of the District is to grow build new clubs and support all clubs in achieving excellence. My my primary role will be to support the District mission, District Council, Area and Club growth and drive members up to achieve excellence.

Additional information about yourself:

I believe in the TMI core values of Integrity, Respect, Service and Excellence. I truly enjoy learning, networking with like minded Toastmasters community and helping others to become the best version of themselves - giving back to TMI that has enriched my life in so many ways.