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## Minutes of Technology Toastmasters of CFISD Regular Meeting October 02, 2018

The club membership convened on Tuesday, October 2nd, 2018 with Michelle Campos presiding. Members present were:

Michelle Campos, President

Dava Clark, Vice President Education

Elizabeth Montes, Vice President Public Relations

Katie Hernandez, Secretary / Treasurer

John Crumbley, Vice President Membership

David Deitsch, Leonard Chance, Cassie Slade, Larry Barrios, Eric May, Neetha Chada, James Costello, Jennifer Miller, Paula Ross, Tammie Bartkowiak, Nancy Grella, Anthony Melton, Eric Piña, Derly Buentello, Frankie Jackson, Geoff Brown, Rodney White, and Jay Johnson.

Members absent were: Belinda Smith, Demetria Hargrove, Lillie Swearingen.

Guests: Lee Honeycutt and Maritza Ortega

1. Minutes of the previous regular meeting were emailed to members and are posted to the OneDrive Technology Toastmasters of CFISD folder.
2. Members with meeting roles were introduced:
  - Toastmaster of the Day: Katie Hernandez
  - Table Topicsmaster: Michelle Campos
  - General Evaluator: Maritza Ortega
  - Evaluators: Geoff Brown, Anthony Melton, Neetha Chada
  - Grammarian: Dava Clark
  - Ah-Counter: Tammie Bartkowiak
  - Timer: Derly Buentello
  - Ballot Counter: James Costello
3. Prepared speeches were presented:
  - Elizabeth Montes – My First Job
  - Jennifer Miller – Sunflowers and Sand Dollars
4. Table Topics® questions were presented:
  - Rodney White answered the question, "If you could travel anywhere, where would you go and why?"
  - Jay Johnson answered the question, "What is your favorite holiday?"
  - Leonard Chance answered the question, "If you could travel anywhere, where would you go and why?"
  - Anthony Melton answered the question, "What is the happiest event of your life?"
  - Paula Ross answered the question, "If you could be anyone, who would you be and why?"

5. Evaluations were presented:

- Geoff Brown evaluated the speech from Elizabeth Montes.
- Neetha Chada evaluated the speech from Jennifer Miller.

6. Reports from members with meeting roles were provided:

- Timer:  
Derly Buentello reported that all of the icebreakers, impromptu speakers, and evaluators qualified.
- Ah-counter:  
Tammie Bartkowiak stated that Elizabeth, Jennifer, Geoff, and Michelle maxed out on particular crutch words. She stated that Katie and several other speakers over-used the words so, ugh, and um.
- Grammarian:  
Dava Clark heard that the word of the day, Epic, was used by Jennifer, Jay, Neetha, Michelle, and John. She felt that there were no glaring misuses of the English Language and complimented Elizabeth on her wrap up phrasing of her first job helping to "enforce my passion".
- General Evaluator:  
Maritza Ortega commended our group on choosing to attend this meeting. She shared that participating in a Toastmaster Club is an investment in our personal growth. Maritza also noted that the meeting started on time and that all speakers and evaluators seemed well prepared. She cautioned the audience members to also be prepared; do not attend with the intention of relaxing through the meeting. Pay attention and give the speakers your full respect for their efforts. Maritza felt a connection with Elizabeth as they share the fact that English is not their native language. Having someone remind her of correct language usage is important as sometimes she is not even aware she's making mistakes. Jennifer brought along a painting and a shadowbox as props for her speech and Maritza felt this was a good addition. She enjoyed the fast paced story that Jennifer told. Maritza also advised that we should enjoy a feeling of accomplishment as we complete our Icebreaker speeches.

7. Club awards were presented:

- Best Evaluator: Geoff Brown
- Best Table Topics: Paula Ross
- Best Speaker: Jennifer Miller

8. Reports from club officers and committees were provided:

- Michelle Campos, President, advised members who have not received access to their Pathway's Portal to connect with a club officer for help in resolving this issue. We now have 11 meetings left before the Christmas break. Michelle encouraged members to look ahead and sign up for speaking roles as well as any of the meeting maintenance roles. She asked for volunteers for the next meeting on October 9<sup>th</sup>. Paula Ross will be the Toastmaster, Eric Piña will give an Icebreaker speech, Anthony Melton and Leonard Chance will be evaluators and Cassie Slade will be the ballot counter.

9. No unfinished or new items of club business were discussed from the floor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Michelle  
President

10/16/2018  
Date

Katie Hernandez  
Secretary

10/16/18  
Date