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Minutes of Technology Toastmasters of CFISD Regular Meeting September 11, 2018

The club membership convened on Tuesday, September 11th, 2018 with Dava Clark presiding. Members present were: Vice President Education, John Crumbley, Vice President Membership, Elizabeth Montes, Vice President Public Relations, Katie Hernandez, Secretary/Treasurer, Belinda Smith, Sergeant at Arms, David Deitsch, Leonard Chance, Cassie Slade, Larry Barrios, Rodney White, Frankie Jackson, Eric May, Neetha Chada, James Costello, Jennifer Miller, Paula Ross, Tammie Bartkoiak, Lillie Swearingen, Nancy Grella, Anthony Melton, Eric Piña, Geoffrey Brown, and Jay Johnson. Members absent were: Michelle Campos, Demetria Hargrove

1. As this was our first official meeting, there were no minutes from the previous regular meeting to be reviewed and approved.
2. Members with meeting roles were introduced:
 - Toastmaster of the Day: Kate Shi, ACS, ALB
 - Table Topicsmaster: Maritza Ortega, ACS, ALB
 - General Evaluator: Cindy Petrash, ACS, ALB
 - Evaluators: Gail Lover, DTM, PDG, Heidi Caperton, ACS, ALB, AD, and Rose Williams, DTM, DCG
 - Grammarian: Martha Elias, DTM, PDD
 - Ah-Counter: Anthony Melton
 - Timer: Elizabeth Montes
3. Prepared speeches were presented:
 - Belinda Smith – I Am Colorful
 - Leonard Chance – Staying Uncomfortable
 - Frankie Jackson – Woman of All Trades
4. Table Topics® questions were presented:
 - John Crumbley answered the question, "What is your favorite back to school memory?"
 - Dava Clark answered the question, "What was your favorite subject in school?"
 - Eric Piña answered the question, "Did you ever skip school?"
5. Evaluations were presented:
 - Gail Lover evaluated the speech from Belinda Smith.
 - Heidi Caperton evaluated the speech from Leonard Chance
 - Rose Williams evaluated the speech from Frankie Jackson
6. Reports from members with meeting roles were provided:

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- **Timer:**
Elizabeth Montes reported that all speakers with prepared speeches, all impromptu speakers and all evaluators kept their speaking times to the required timing, therefore all qualified.
- **Ah-counter:**
Anthony Melton reported that the speakers in general did not rely heavily on "filler" words. He did record the over-usage of "you", "I", and "well".
- **Grammarian:**
Martha Elias reported that the word of the day, Studious, was used in speeches several times by Frankie Jackson and Eric Piña. It was also recommended that Kate Shi speak a little more clearly and be careful with the pronunciation of some words, making sure to add an "s" to plural words when used.
- **General Evaluator:**
Cindy Petrash stated that we are a friendly group. She was pleased to note that many of the Technology Toastmasters greeted her upon arrival and introduced themselves. Even those who did not approach her offered smiles and were very welcoming. This is one of the ten tenets of Toastmasters International. The meeting started promptly at 12:00 and although we ran a little longer than the scheduled one-hour meeting time, this was very commendable for a first meeting. Cindy was impressed that all of the prepared speeches were memorized by the speakers which is unheard of in new groups. Each speaker had a message to share which makes for a solid speech. Cindy recognized the impromptu speeches as being the hardest to get through and volunteers had to be prodded to step forward at this meeting.

7. Club awards were presented:

- **Best Evaluator:** Rose Williams
- **Best Table Topics:** Eric Piña
- **Best Speaker:** Belinda Smith

8. Reports from club officers and committees were provided:

- **Vice President Education,** Dava Clark, reminded everyone of the next meeting which will be Tuesday, September 18th from 8:30 to 9:30 and will be held at ISC in the Board room.

9. Unfinished and new items of club business were discussed from the floor:

- There was no club business to be discussed at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Michelle Coney
President

9/14/2018
Date

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Secretary

9/14/18
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