



Attention Presidents & Secretaries!

Your District 56 Leadership Team is excited to share the Toastmaster journey with you and your club members this year. One of the first actions each Club President will need to take is to determine how to participate in the Annual Business Meeting and cast a vote to determine the International Directors being elected to the Board of Directors.

Ensure that your club is in good standing! Only paid clubs with a current club officer list submitted are eligible to assign and vote their proxy at the Annual Business meeting.

You may participate in the vote in one of two ways.

1. The District 56 Trio have already interviewed all the candidates and are ready to cast a vote on your behalf.
 - a. To assign the club votes, go to [Club Central](#), log in, choose the club(s) you are assigning proxies for, and click on Club Proxy. Each club's proxy must be assigned by 10:59 p.m. Central Daylight Time on August 16, 2021.
 - b. Club proxy must be assigned on time and may only be assigned to one person (either Paid Club member, District Director, or any other paid Toastmasters member of any club).
 - c. If the club provides voting directions, proxyholders will vote in the manner a club instructs.

To avoid last minute entanglements, we encourage you to assign your proxy and provide voting instructions as soon as possible.

OR

2. You, as the President or Secretary of your club, may vote in person at the Annual Business meeting. To cast your vote, you will need to:
 - a. Learn about the International Officer and International Director candidates
 - i. [International Officer Candidates Page](#) - Get to know the nominated International Officer candidates for the 2021–2022 term.
 - ii. [International Director Candidates Page](#) - Get to know the nominated International Director candidates for the 2021–2023 term.
 - b. Complete the online Credentials process conducted August 17-20, 2021.
 - i. Proxyholders must log into the Toastmasters International website during the credentials process August 17-20 to obtain their proxy summary report.
 - ii. The credentials process validates the proxyholder to access the electronic ballot.
 - c. Attend Ballot training available August 21-23, 2021.
 - d. Attend the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) on Thursday, August 26, at 6 AM Central Daylight Time. The electronic ballot, which will be available for 24 hours after the Annual Business Meeting on August 26.