

## MINUTES OF MEETING # 85

Sergeant-at-arms **TM Musthafa** convened the meeting # 85 at 7:30 PM. Theme of the day was "Comfort Zone".

TM Musthafa praised the participants of the Area Contest since they came out of the comfort zone and participated. TM Musthafa introduced Club President **TM Vimalraj** as a humorous champion and invited him to preside the meeting.

In his presidential address, **TM Vimalraj** welcomed members and guests. He passed the last minutes of meeting. Speaking on the theme of the evening, TM Vimal said that he always tried to come out of the comfort zone by doing things in which he isn't good at. He added humour when he described how in his childhood he joined for singing classes but was later asked to change to instruments classes because of poor performance in singing. But still he wants to come out of comfort zone and try singing by singing a song. He wished birthday boy TM Musthafa by singing birthday song which was joined by all.

With that TM Vimal opened Smedley Toastmaster's meeting # 85. TM Vimal invited TM Jose for inducting new members to the club. TM Kiran Kumar Putta, TM Ashokan, TM Mohanraj, TM Shana Shirin & TM Noorudeen took oath of allegiance.

Tonight Club-VPE **TM Benov Jacob** took role of the TMOE. TM Vimal introduced him to the attendees and passed over control of the meeting to him.

TM Benov said that by nature human beings are afraid of coming out of comfort zone. He told a story about a King and his falcon to inspire people to come out of comfort zone.

TMOE introduced the role players: Grammarian TM Shana, Timer TM Ammad, AH Counter TM Shylesh

Grammarian **TM Shana** chose "**Euphoria**" as the word of the day, which is a noun and mean "a feeling or state of intense excitement and happiness."

Timer **TM Ammad**, AH Counter **TM Shylesh** also described their roles.

Smedley Toastmasters had a special guest this evening; the cute little Miss Yaana Shylesh

TMOE introduced the first speaker on prepared speeches **TM Ashokan** who delivered his P-1 from *CC Manual* on "**I am not that bad**".

The second speaker of the evening was **TM Mohanraj** who delivered his P-1 on "**I am Mohan**".

The third speaker was **TM Jose** who his repeating his *CC manual*. He delivered his P-1 on "**My Journey**".

Next, there was an interesting and informative Educational module on "**Meeting Roles and Responsibilities**" by **TM Leslley Mathew**. **TM Leslley** explained the different roles played by Toastmasters in every meeting. It was very useful for the new members to understand the functioning of Toastmaster's meetings.

After this, there was a short break in which the birthday boy **TM Musthafa** cut the cake.

After the break, TMOE Benov invited **TM Rimzan** for **General Evaluation**. **TM Rimzan** invited **TM Kiran** to evaluate **TM Ashokan's** speech. Likewise, **TM Girija** evaluated **TM Mohanraj** and **TM Noorudeen** evaluated **TM Jose**. **TM Rimzan** invited the Grammarian **TM Shana** to give her report. Grammarian said that there were no major grammatical errors. Word of the evening 'Euphoria' was used 14 times by different speakers. Similarly, the AH counter **TM Shylesh** and the Timer **TM Ammad** gave their report.

In his *General Evaluation*, **TM Rimzan** said that the meeting was well arranged. He also advised excom to improve PR activities such as posts in Smedley's facebook groups. He said it will help in bringing new members.

TM Rimzan handed over control to TMOE. TM Benov invited the Club President **TM Vimalraj** for the closing session. TM Vimalraj announced that the Best Speaker award for this meeting was won by TM Mohanraj. TM Vimal won the award for best Table Topics and TM Girija was judged the Best Evaluator. TM Jose presented awards to all of them.

Then TM Vimal invited TM Jose for announcement of next Ex-com elections.

TM Vimal then closed the session.

All together, we had a fun-filled but informative meeting. We wish you all of you come out of the comfort zone and take many roles in the upcoming meetings. This will help us all to build the skills for which we joined Toastmasters. Thanks TM Benov for selecting such a meaningful theme of the evening.

The next meeting is a contest day and shall be on May 4th, 2016 at Sharq Capital.

Till then... Good bye

TM Noorudeen