

MINUTES OF MEETING # 82

Man is a gaming animal. He must always be trying to get the better in something or other- Charles Lamb

Meeting # 82 was the second contest day for 2016 in Smedley Toastmasters Club. This evening we had Evaluation and International Speech Contests. Vice President-Membership **TM Lesiley Mathew** was the Contest Sergeant-at-arms. She convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. TM Lesiley welcomed all and invited VPE **TM Benov Jacob** to Preside the meeting.

TM Benov introduced the Chief Judge DTM N V Raghavan and role players. TM Benov then introduced the Contest Chair for Evaluation Contest TM Ammad Kangath. TM Benov said that TM Ammad is one of the most active and the tallest member of Smedley Toastmasters Club. TM Benov welcomed TM Ammad to chair the Evaluation Contest.

TM Ammad read out purposes and contest rules to the contestants. The Contest Chair then introduced the participants. TM Midhun S Babu, TM Mohammed Ali O K, TM Girija Vasudevan Chari and TM Sunish Narayanan Nair participated in the contest. The Test speaker was TM Afzal. After the test speech, there was 5 minutes of silence for the contestants to note down their points. The Contest Sergeant-at-arms escorted all the Participants, except the first participant, to a quarantine area. Participants were then escorted one-by-one to the hall to deliver their Evaluation speeches.

After the contestants finished their speeches, TM Ammad thanked everybody and presented the Certificate of Participation.

Then there was a break, where people exchanged pleasantries.

After the Break, our VPE TM Benov Jacob invited TM Shibu K Reghunath to chair the International Speech Contest. TM Shibu said that he was little scared about TM Benov's introduction. As TM Benov introduced TM Ammad as the tallest Taostmaster, he was wondering what TM Benov will introduce him as 😊 .

TM Shibu read out purposes and contest rules to the contestants. The Contest Chair then introduced the participants. TM Girija Vasudevan Chari, TM Sunish Narayanan Nair, TM Rasha Rafiq Abualhasan, TM Vimalraj, TM Maimoona Abubaker and TM Noorudeen Veetykadan participated in the contest.

We had awesome, creative and inspiring International speeches by the participants. After the contestants finished their speeches, TM Shibu presented the Certificate of Participation to the participants. TM Shibu then invited VPE TM Benov Jacob for the business session.

TM Benov invited Division Director- Division E TM Ravikumar to address the gathering. TM Ravikumar recalled his childhood memories while speaking on the speech topics of the evening. He also expressed his appreciation for the contestants and the club's activities.

TM Benov then invited TM Ammad to declare the results of Evaluation contest.

The results were as follows:

1. TM Sunish Narayanan Nair
2. TM Girija Vasudevan Chari
3. TM Midhun S Babu

The awards were presented by Division Director (Division E)- TM Ravikumar, Division Director (Division Q)- DTM Raghavan, and Area Director (Area 43)- TM Abhijit Kuwalekar amidst thunderous applause.

TM Benov then invited TM Shibu to declare the results of International Speech contest.

The results were as follows:

1. TM Sunish Narayanan Nair
2. TM Girija Vasudevan Chari
3. TM Maimoona Abubaker

The awards were presented by Division Director (Division E)- TM Ravikumar, Division Director (Division Q)- DTM Raghavan, and Area Director (Area 43)- TM Abhijit Kuwalekar amidst thunderous applause.

TM Benov thanked all for their participation in the contest and invited TM Lesiley Mathew to close the session.

TM Lesiley thanks all the dignitaries, contestants and roles players for making the Smedley Toatmasters Club's contests for 2016 a grand success.

TM Lesiley the adjourned the meeting.

All together, we had a fun-filled contest session.

The next meeting will be on March 16th, 2016 at Sharq Capital.

Till then... Good bye

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Please check the below link for Tonight's Club Contest photos:

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