



District Leader

Biographical Information

Candidate's Name: **Richard Kohlenberger**

Candidate's Office: **Division Director100** District Number: **100**

Toastmasters member since: **1992**

Education:

AA Electronics Fullerton College, Fullerton CA

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

Area 2 Area Director Jul. 01, 2020 Jun. 30, 2021
6245 Orange County Communicators Secretary Jan. 01, 2021 Jun. 30,

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

Division D Governor Presidents Distinguished Committed to Excellence 2001-2002 Founders District
For Outstanding and dedicated Service Founders District 2004-2005

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a District leader:

20 years in the Computer Industry from operations, to programming, to Systems Analyst, to training plus the 5 years in customer service have helped with working with people and technical issues (Zoom, Powerpoint, Keynote, and Gotomeeting) as examples.

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

When I was Division Governor, I went through each club and figured out what they needed to accomplish to be Distinguished. Then I went through each Area and figured out what each Area needed to accomplish to become distinguished. Then I went through what the Division needed to accomplish. My Division became Presidents Distinguished in 2002.

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

At the time that I was a Division Governor, we had a budget to follow from the Founders District. We had to follow all of Directives from Toastmasters International, and Founders District. The money was primarily spent on 2 contests in Fall and Spring and for the Area and Division. It was successful.

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

Developing procedures that are to be followed for a project makes for a successful project.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

Planning and knowing the results that you need to accomplish is a roadmap to success.

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

I want to serve as a District Leader because so much has changed since the last time I was a District Leader. Technology, Toastmasters educational program (now Pathways), people, the environment that we live in has all change. There is more opportunities to have positive learning experiences than at any other time.

In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

The District is building new clubs and supporting all clubs to achieve excellence. First building new clubs, I would work with the District and create leads to build more clubs. 2ndly, Having clubs achieve excellence. This of course depends on the club environment, but being supportive in resources or information that would make them a more successful club.

Additional information about yourself:

Hobbies: Railfanning, Hiking, Model Railroads, and computer technology.