



District Leader

Biographical Information

Candidate's Name: ***KATY HURSH**

Candidate's Office: **CLUB GROWTH DIRECTOR** District Number: **106**

Toastmasters member since: **JUNE 2018**

Education:

Bachelor's of Arts- Pschology/ English - Idaho State University 1994

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

Division Director / President- North Star Evaluators & Duluth Club / Sponsor NSE: 2021-2022
Area Director / VP Membership of Duluth Club / Sponsor North Shore : 2020-2021
VP Membership Duluth Club: 2019-2020

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

Earned Triple Crown 2021-2022
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First Place Humorous Contest Divison A 2019

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

I am currently serving as the City Treasurer in Lake Negabamon, Wi. I participate in weekly meetings, prepare the meeting room, write the agendas and take the meeting minutes. I also engage in the open forum during the board meetings using parliamentary procedure. At specific times I present the monthly budget and other concerns involving the city.

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

I have experience scheduling and planning events for private clients as well as community events and groups. I have trained employees in preparation to serve clients in a professional manner. I have worked with the public over 15+ years. I am organized and easily evaluate skill levels of clients and am able to assist them in developing and furthering their skills.

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

Being the city Treasurer I have first hand experience in working with accounts, monthly and yearly budget reports. Assisting board members in developing a budget that fulfills the needs of the community and city projects is essential. It continues to be a very rewarding and educational experience of growth.

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

Considering all aspects of a situation, reviewing policies and how to implement them before making changes is logical. Being thoughtful of all involved and choosing the best course of action where everyone benefits is ideal. Knowing the policies and procedures is key.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

Serving people and adding value to others is important to me. Making time to develop relationships is a vital element to success. Life is short to not invest in the people we have been entrusted with. When people know you care about them, they will care too.

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

I would like the opportunity to strengthen our district leaders through better communication practices. I plan to successfully market the values and benefits of being a toastmaster in our region to gain more community support.

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

The most important objective is to equip our local community clubs by providing the tools and training they need. I plan to improve how officer training is done and district communication as a whole. Through collaboration in the district and with regional leaders I believe our members will benefit in a more productive way.

Additional information about yourself:

We moved to Wisconsin from Idaho in 2012. I've been married for 33 years and have 3 amazing adult children who all returned west. My husband has worked as a school administrator and educator for over 25 years. We enjoy outdoor recreation, camping and traveling. I like gardening, writing and painting water colors.