

District 15 Division A Director's Report

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Division A began the year with 12 paid clubs, ended the year with 10 paid clubs. Total 122 members have renewed the membership as of April 10, 2021. 34 existing members yet to renew the membership. Area Directors have been asked to reach out to their clubs to get as many current members to renew their dues as possible.

Area Directors (AD)

Four Area Directors act as liaison for the 4 areas within Division A. Each Area Director is working with 2-4 clubs in respective area. During the July to November 2020 period, AD's completed Club visits and club visit reports have been entered into the TI system for all Division A clubs achieving 100% of their Club reports filed. During January through 10th April 2021, most of the clubs were visited by area director and 2 club visit reports have been submitted. The aim is to complete the area report submission before 30th April 2021 to 90 %.

Officer Training and Division Contests

The summer TLI last June saw 8 of 12 clubs achieve at least 4 officers trained between the event and make up sessions. The current division director and Area A3 directors organized the first online TLI for division A, E & F as event chairs. It was attended by 105 toastmasters across 3 divisions.

The January 2021 district level TLI had 10 of the 12 current Division A clubs achieve 4 officers or more trained. The Division A speech contest was held in October 2020. All areas had at least one speaker in these events. The spring contest will be held April 17th, 2021. All the Division A officers have been very active conducting/volunteering for district events/ contests.

Pathway Adoption Rate:

The pathways adoption rate is 77.52 % across Division A. The pathways adoption rate specific to club officers is better at 88 %. The area directors have been given a goal to drive the number to 100 % by end of May 2021.

New Clubs

Mountain Home Speaks had couple of meeting. The current /former area director visited the members. Division A zoom meeting support has been extended to enable hybrid meetings. Hopefully will resume their efforts and become chartered in the next calendar year.

Opportunities:

Three clubs got adversely impacted as in this year due to covid situation.

Strong women's legacy-Boise – turned ineligible as no internet allowed at correction facilities& no in person meets allowed.

Fisher's Talknology – turned ineligible as corporate club which lost all the members due to discontinuation of the jobs.

Saint Al's Toastmaster club – Low membership as Saint Al members. Area & Division director visited the club offered assistance /suggestions to increase membership. They gained 1 member (total4) and have potential to resume full capacity.

Summary

The Toastmaster year 2020-2021 started with most of the clubs switching to online zoom meeting due to local guidelines. 9 out of 12 clubs adopted very well to online meetings and contests. The clubs with adverse impact are listed as opportunities. The positive side of switching to online zoom meeting made it easier to attend the meeting, events irrespective of location leading to new level of collaboration across District 15.

The Division A hosted the district 15 fall event to announce & celebrate winners. Division F collaborated to facilitate the event. Now, Division A has joined hands with Division F to organize the upcoming district conference.

The Division A will undergo restructuring next year to have three area with 3-4 clubs in each area starting July 2021. Hybrid meetings would be the new norm going forward to get more membership. On bright note, many clubs have started hybrid meeting & are getting better at it.

Club Id	Club Name	Area	Division	Club Total Member Count	Officer Training - 1	Officer Training - 2
61	Boise Club	4	A	16	7	6
5074	Saint Al's Toastmasters Club	4	A	6	1	1
5084	Dynamic Club	1	A	19	7	7
5279	The Capitol Club	1	A	21	7	6
7062	City Speakers	3	A	1	2	3
961025	Boise Bible College Toastmasters	4	A	8	7	6
1067502	Statehouse Toastmasters	2	A	8	6	6
1072821	Russet Ramblers	2	A	16	3	5
1106187	Food for Thought	2	A	8	6	6
4584188	River Speakers	4	A	9	5	4
7152887	Clearly Speaking	3	A	8	3	4