

Kapolei Toastmasters (KTM)

Thursday, August 25, 2016

12:00-1:00PM

Kapolei Hale Conference Room "B"

Theme: Hawaiian Culture

Meeting Recap

(By Owen Tamamoto, VP of Public Relations, Kapolei Toastmasters)

1. The meeting was opened by Holly Holloway, who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Irobela Wreagh, CC, CL was our TMOD.

2. We had a total of 16 people, twelve members and four guests. Members were: Owen, Frank, Lani, Etsuko, Micaela, Sara, Joyce, Mariea, Holly, Irobela, Rose and James. Honored guests were: Kevin Yen, Jessica Pacheco, Glaiza Yago and Grace Luu.

3. Micaela Burney, TM, served as Timekeeper and James Fu served as Grammarian/Ah Counter/Word of the Day.

4. Mariea Vaughan, CTM told a humorous tale of a boy at her Catholic school nicknamed "Peanut". Peanut was picked on a lot by other school children. One day at confession, another child confessed that he threw peanuts down the river. The priest told him he should not be wasting God's precious resources. When it was Peanut's turn to confess, the priest said: "Don't tell me you threw peanuts down the river also!" To which Peanuts responded emphatically: "I'm Peanuts and they threw me down the river!"

5. Speakers:

- #1: Joyce Bullion, CC, CL, "Meeting Roles"

Joyce gave her talk from the Successful Club Series. She described all of the meeting roles identified by TM International, plus the unique roles we have at Kapolei TM. Great job, Joyce!

- #2: Owen Tamamoto, ACB, ALB “Highlight It!”

Owen gave a talk on the importance of highlighting key words in a PowerPoint presentation. Live Aloha! This was from an Advanced Manual: Speaking to Inform, Project 3.

- #3: Rose Martinez, DTM, “Desperate Beauty Queen Aspirant”

Rose humored all of us with a reprisal of her role as a desperate beauty queen aspirant.

A shout out to all speakers!

6. Table Topics Master: Lani Abrigana, ACB, CL

Lani posed two questions. The first was “what is your favorite part of Hawaiian culture?”

Kevin Yen, a guest, volunteered to speak. He said for him it is the Aloha Spirit. He has traveled to many different places and tries to bring the Aloha Spirit with him. In a recent trip to Nashville, Tennessee, he encountered “Southern Hospitality”, which he perceived as their form of the Aloha Spirit.

Lani’s second question was “should only people of Hawaiian descent practice Hawaiian culture?” Mariea gave a resounding “NO” and argued that everyone who loves Hawai’i should practice Hawaiian culture.

Hoooraay to Lani for the thought-provoking topics and to Kevin and Mariea for sharing your wisdom.

7. Evaluators

- #1: Etsuko Fields, TM

Etsuko evaluated Joyce's speech and said that Joyce's personality shines through whenever she speaks. Etsuko noted that Joyce's tone changed when she spoke of actual Kapolei members filling the meeting roles. As a suggestion for next time, Etsuko mentioned that Joyce seemed to rely more on notes than she usually does, so perhaps Joyce could work on that part for next time.

- #2: Frank De Gracia, TM

Frank evaluated Owen's speech. Frank mentioned that Owen was confident and "rolled" with the technical glitches. He noted that for next time, Owen could be more aware of his body and the projector because sometimes Owen's body blocked the projection. Also, there was a constant noise from the air conditioner, so next time Owen could adjust his presentation to take into account the noise factor.

- #3: Group Evaluation

The entire group took part in evaluating Rose's speech. It was mentioned that Rose prepared more thoroughly this time, with her outfit and her hair. She took on a more animated persona and used pauses effectively. For next time, Rose could work on being even more animated.

8. Reports:

- Timekeeper: Micaela Burney, TM
- Grammarian/Ah Counter: James Fu, ACB, ALB

9. General Evaluator: Holly Holloway gave a thumbs up for the energy in the meeting. Two suggestions were that we need to check the noise level in the room and that late coming guests be acknowledged.

10. Announcements: Next ET Meeting on 9/1/2016, 11:45-1, State Building, Room 611, all members are welcome to attend.

Our own Rose Martinez will be competing in the Area 5 Speech Contest. The contest will be held on 9/24, Saturday. 12:30 pm registration, Central Pacific Bank Training Room, Harbor Square Building, 4th Floor, 225 Queen Street