



District Leader

Biographical Information

Candidate's Name: Helen B. Josephine

Candidate's Office: Division A Director

District Number: 101

Toastmasters member since: October 2014

Education:

BA, English Literature; MLS, Master of Library Science

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

Secretary 2016-2017, SSA 2018-2019, Secretary 2019-2020, VP Education 2020-2023, President 2021-2022, VPPR 2022-2023, Area A4 Director 2022-2023.

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

CC, IP L5, PM L4, VC L2 Area A4 Toastmaster of the Year, 2021

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

Now retired. Librarian and department head for university libraries (Stanford University 2007-2017) and corporate libraries (Intel Corporation 2000-2006). Led in-person and global teams to accomplish goals and objectives. Currently a member of the Board of Directors of the Ruth Bancroft Garden in Walnut Creek. Elected Secretary, 2022-

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

Participated in annual strategic planning process as a librarian and department head in the Stanford University Libraries and in the Intel Corporate Library.

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

Responsible for collection development budgets and contracts as a librarian and department head in the Stanford University Libraries and in the Intel Corporate Library.

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

Responsible for developing procedures, processes and policies as a librarian and department head in the Stanford University Libraries and in the Intel Corporate Library.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

Be collaborative, communicate often with all stakeholders, encourage team members to participate fully in the development and execution of goals and objectives.

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

To help the district develop successful and diverse clubs that will attract new members and to help the district provide the training and support to develop leadership opportunities for members.

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

To attract new members and keep current members active, to develop new clubs and to develop workshops and programs to engage all members at all levels of experience with Toastmasters. Work with the District team to provide more workshop opportunities.

Additional information about yourself:

Contest Chair for the Area A4/A5 2021 Spring Contest. COT trainer for the SSA role, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023. Speechcraft Program, Communicate to Succeed, Jan 28-Feb 18, 2023