

85 Years and Beyond---Advancing Key Women Educators for Life

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL-- ZETA ZETA Chapter

Minutes --- February 10, 2015

5:30 Social and Dinner

6:15 Business Meeting

Call to order at 6:15 by Carol Rowley who welcomed the 44 women in attendance, members and guests, including Liz O'Brien (second visit), Sylvia Orellana-Barrera (third visit), Catherine Hemmingway (first visit) and Julie Davis (first visit).

Welcome Theta Psi Chapter--Co-Presidents--Charlotte Brainard and Jamie Brazill, as well as chapter members Wilma Grant, Veda Jefferies, Lola Taylor, Beverly Dermorest, and Olithia O'Toole.

Approval of minutes--January 12, 2015. Minutes were circulated and will be posted without change.

Donna Bell and Carol Rowley presented the "Opening Thoughts" as they represented a First Grade classes perspective on proverbs and sayings.

SOCIETY BUSINESS COMMITTEES

Finance- Sue Robinson and Sallie Nelson--Treasurer's report was deferred until next month.

Communication and Marketing

Newsletter- Kit King has submitted her newsletter to Chi State.

Website and Directory- Roseann Krane has made the directories available and should be notified if there are any changes needed.

Correspondence- Diana Sawin was not in attendance but the "What's Happening" clipboard was circulated. Careful consideration should be given as to what is submitted for posting on the Zeta Zeta website verses what goes out in an email format just to members, for personal safety.

LIFE: An envelope was circulated for personal donations to be given in Jeanne Gelwicks memory to the LIFE foundation. Carol will send the donations from both Zeta Zeta members and the Theta Psi Chapter members.

SOCIETY MISSION AND PURPOSES

Educational Law/Policy - Mary Lempke--now open. Contact Carol Rowley or Carmen Burks if you are interested in holding this position.

Global Awareness- Schools in Africa- Georgia Moore circulated the "Jar for Change" which gives the chapter money to contribute to the Schools in Africa at the end of the year.¹

A break was taken for dinner.

Educational Excellence/Program - Valerie Kellner introduced the guest speaker, and the mother of one of her previous students, Karen Sakata.

PROGRAM OF THE EVENING

Contra Costa Superintendent of Schools--- Karen Sakata. Karen spoke to us of her personal story and the path her professional life has taken. She started at a Speech and Language Pathologist in the Mt. Diablo School District, navigated the waters of Special Education, being a school principal, associate superintendent to her current elected position of Contra Costa Country Superintendent of School. Her mother, a second-generation Japanese internee of the Japanese camps, and early woman pharmacist, motivated her to strive for a strong education. She has taken up reform in education and measurable outcomes for all students. She explained the role of the County Office of Education in regards to District, County and State positions.

PROGRAM OF WORK

Two Bucks A Book - Carly Owens made the selection available.

Backpacks/Zeta Zeta Library - Jeanette Fitch reported on the 71 backpacks, which have been delivered to VESTIA. Charlene McPherson reported on the Professional Library books available to members, including a number written by some of the speakers to be at the Chi State Convention in May.

Shepherd's Gate - Kit King and Donna continue to share the toiletries and books from the chapter members with the woman and children at Shepherd's Gate.

T.H.A.T. hours - In MaryAnn Kolda absence, Carol Rowley reminded members to submit their volunteer hours on-line. chistateca.org

Hospitality - Opportunity Drawing - Bobbie Mortensen and Jackie Adams were thanked for their constant support and the treats on the tables.

Next Zeta Zeta Meeting is Monday, March 9th at Scott's Restaurant

Our speaker is Linda Rowley Thom--Teacher on Special Assignment, speaking about "Special Education Today"

Thanks for attending our Zeta Zeta Meeting tonight! HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!
The meeting was concluded at 7:55 pm.

Reminder: Tuesday, April 14, 2015 is our Initiation and Order of the Rose! Keep us posted on new members!

Minutes submitted by Stephanie Brown-Myers, Parliamentarian. 2/15/15.