

Eta Mu Chapter, California Organization
Delta Kappa Gamma
January 23, 2018

Guest Speakers: Nikki Larson with her Heather presented Jerlisa-Stitches of Love. This former bookstore owner 's began an outreach for children by constructing stuffed bears. Over 22,000 children in our area have been served with this special bear gift. They are given to the FD and PD as well as local crisis centers where children are served.

- 1) Official Call to Order: President Pat Elston called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm at the home of Marla Romanoff-Kitzmann.
- 2) Inspiration: Janice Freeman read "Understanding and Trust" from Henry Van Dyke's book The Treasure of Friendship.
- 3) Approval of the Minutes from November 2, 2017: so moved by Carol Vieira and seconded by Janice Freeman.
- 4) Adele Little reported a balance of \$2165.72 on hand. Leadership Conference Report: Members who attended were Kathleen Heinzinger and Pat Elston. Gloria Bracco, Area XVII Director, who is in attendance tonight, also attended. Team Performance Curve and Learning Styles were two topics.
- 5) Committee Reports
 - a. Membership: Kathleen Heinzinger asked members to please remit biographies.
 - b. Programs: Janice Freeman reported on the 50th Anniversary Celebration Committee. We have a \$1400 budget allocation. The Carnation Room at the Gallo Center for the Arts has been secured. Members are asked to provide pictures either digitally or physically. Photos can be given to Janice physically by placing them in a plastic bag with their name and year. The deadline is February 28.
 - c. Finance, Adele Little: kudos to job well done.
 - d. Eisenhut School Partnership, Kathleen Heinzinger: Positive and Appreciative time with children.
 - e. Website, Pat Elston: Send Pat an email if you see a website deficiency. Gloria Bracco noted that we were the only chapter in the area with a website.
 - f. Legislative, Heather Nonca: Legislation was enacted. Start time for schools is still in discussion.
 - g. Scholarship and Awards, Adele Little and Kathleen Heinzinger: The California State Distinguished Public Service Award recipient is Eta Mu Chapter member Dr. Susan Neufeld. She will be honored at the

- DKG Convention in May. The Penne Ferrell Award went to Brittany Ross a fourth-grade teacher at Our Lady of Fatima.
- h. Communications, Judy Trask: kudos for her service.
 - i. Nominations Committee, Pat Elston: Members are needed to fill positions. Carol Vieira, Pat Elston and Linda Chrabas offered to proof read Chapter Rules for clarity. Members of the committee are Janice Freeman, Lynn Lysko, and Adele Little. So moved by Kathleen Heinzinger and Marla Romanoff-Kitzmann.
- 6) New Business and Announcements
- a. Installation of Officers: Will be held with other Chapters. Date and place TBA.
 - b. Convention Ads: Marla Romanoff-Kitzmann moved our chapter sponsor a full-page convention ad at \$100. Seconded by Kathleen Heinzinger and approved. The ad will honor Adele Little and Nancy Lee and Dr. Susan Neufeld.
 - c. THAT hours: Please record on the website.
 - d. Janice Freeman collected for the Gospel Mission. Also spoke about February fundraiser at the Mission.
 - e. March 2, Adele Little: Literary Luncheon is at the Pedersen Event Center this year.
 - f. May 2, Read Across America at MLD School. Readers and donated books needed.
 - g. April 21, Susan Neufeld: Spring Tea at the Gemperli Gallery at the Carnegie Art Center where tables are decorated to honor children's books. It is from 1:30-3pm with a silent auction and a cost of \$18. The procedures go to the ABC Project, which gave out its 100,000th book in November of 2017.
 - h. May 10 at Downey High School a concert to support the ABC Project will be held.
- 7) Adjourned with song at 8:10.

Submitted by Linda Chrabas, Recording Secretary