

**The Chi State LIFE Foundation
Annual Meeting of Members
California DKG State Convention
San Francisco, California
May 3, 2019**

1. Call to Order: Using the gavel inscribed with the date of April 8, 1999, the date The Chi State DKG LIFE Foundation was officially accepted by the State of California, Chi State LIFE Foundation Chair Donna Fleischer called the Annual Meeting of Members to order at 6:35 pm.

2. Purpose: The Annual Meeting of Members is held in accordance with the Bylaws of the LIFE Foundation. The purpose of the Annual Meeting is to report to you, the members of The LIFE Foundation, the status of The Foundation, to elect Board Members and to transact any business that should come before this meeting.

3. Establishment of a Quorum: Dorothy Anderson, Secretary of the LIFE Board of Directors, stated a quorum existed for the Chi State LIFE Foundation's 20th Annual Meeting of Members.

4. Welcome and Introductions:

A. President of the Board Donna Fleischer welcomed members to the 20th Annual Meeting of Members.

B. The Board of Directors were introduced:

- 1. Donna Fleischer, Epsilon Chi, Area VI, President**
- 2. Dorothy Anderson, Eta Rho, Area IX, Secretary**
- 3. Dixie Karlson, Alpha Pi, Area XV, Treasurer**
- 4. Kelly Franklin, Alpha Chapter, Area XI, Raffle Chair**
- 5. Elise Buel, Alpha Pi, Area XV, Webmaster**
- 6. Robin Kelly, Epsilon Chi, Area VI, Assistant Treasurer**
- 7. Anita McKean, Iota Tau, Area V, Nominations Chair**

C. Introductions of Special Guests:

1. Donna Fleischer introduced visitors and DKG California Executive Board

a. Julie Drysdale, DKG California State President

b. Members of the Executive Committee

c. Past DKG California Presidents

i. Carol Carlson

ii. Heidi Chadwick

iii. Marilyn Stalder-Burke

iv. Pat Twyman

v. Sandy Rushing

vi. Judy Kerns

vii. Janis Barr

d. Past LIFE Board President Kathy Ellis

5. Minutes of the 2018 Annual Meeting: The minutes of the Annual Meeting of Members were approved by the board. The minutes are kept on file in the Corporation Book in the DKG California Education Center, the official office of the LIFE Foundation.

A. Dorothy Anderson read the summary report of the 2018 minutes.

B. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes and summary of the 2018 Annual Meeting of Members. The motion was passed.

6. Correspondence: Donna Fleischer reported the LIFE Foundation received numerous thank you notes, acknowledgements of grants, and project reports from last year's grant recipients.

7. Financial Review: Dixie Karlson presented a financial review for The LIFE Foundation, the monies awarded for 2019 grants and the Helene Going Green Awards. Dixie also announced the Circle of Giving Certificates.

8. Report of the Board Activities and LIFE Progress

A. Donna Fleischer reported Since its inception twenty years ago, THE DKG Chi State Learning is For Everyone Foundation has awarded 517 monetary grants and more than 130 projects for use of the 501 (c) (3) Tax-exempt Identification Number. These projects promote learning and literacy in the State of California. The Tax ID number is used to seek funding from other foundations and corporations.

B. This year the Foundation awarded \$13,350.00 in grants.

C. Through several fundraising activities we have been able to raise funds to continue awarding grants to amazing projects throughout California. Our fundraising activities include:

i. Annual Raffle at the DKG California State Convention.

ii. Annual Barnes and Noble Book Fair which promotes Read Across DKG California State book selection whose author will be Skyped at the LIFE Interest Session tomorrow.

iii. Amazon Smile and Good Search

iv. Our largest funds came from generous donations from the DKG California members.

D. We invite Chapters and individuals to request financial support for learning and literacy projects by submitting grant applications online or US mail to the LIFE Foundation Board of Directors by March 1, 2020.

E. The LIFE Foundation also awards funds for Helene Going Green Grants. This is a fund founded by Helene's sister Roberta Anderson to honor Helene. These projects work to help preserve our planet by establishing "green" projects in classrooms, schools or communities. This year we gave two awards for a total of 29 Helene Going Green grants.

F. A complete written and updated annual report and financial report for 2018-2019 will be published in the Annual LIFE Newsletter.

9. New Business

A. Election of Members to the Board of Directors

i. Anita McKean, Nominations Chair, read the nominations report and the list of candidates.

- ii. Nominees for LIFE Board of Directors were Laura Fujitsubo and Jeannine Mendoza. Articles about each nominee was provided in the annual newsletter for those in attendance at this Annual Meeting.
- iii. After hearing the report from the nominations committee in accordance with the Bylaws of the LIFE Foundation (Article IV, Board of Directors, Section 4. Election). Nominations were open from the floor. Hearing none, the nominations were closed.
- iv. The Chair entertained a motion to elect the slate of officers.
MOTION: Laura Fujitsubo and Jeannine Mendoza, the slate for the Chi State LIFE Foundation Board of Directors for 2019-2021 term be declared elected. Motion was approved. The slate of Board of Directors for 2019-2021 was declared elected.

10. LIFE Foundation Grants

- A. Presentation of the LIFE Grant Awards and the Helene Going Green Awards were announced by President Donna Fleischer.
- B. A list of the grant recipients is published and available in the 2019 LIFE Newsletter.
- C. Donna thanked and congratulated the recipients and wished them all the best success with their special projects.

11. Special Presentation

- A. Dorothy Anderson, LIFE Board Secretary and Dixie Karlson, LIFE Board Treasurer were honored for their six years of priceless service to the LIFE Foundation.

12. Announcements

- A. 2019 LIFE Newsletter is available for all. Come by the Raffle tables if you haven't received one.
 - i. Thank you to Pat Highfill for completing the newsletter.
- B. The LIFE Foundation website is now up and running.
 - i. Thank you to Elise Buel our webmaster and to Stacey Chicoine for her guidance.
 - ii. The LIFE website can be found on the dkgca.org website. Click the LIFE icon.
 - iii. All LIFE forms can be found and submitted on the website.
- C. LIFE's next Annual Meeting will be held on May 1, 2020 at the DKG California State Convention. All were invited to attend.
- D. Remember to stop by the LIFE raffle tables tomorrow starting at 8:30.
 - i. Thank you for all the donations for the raffle especially Gretchen Covington and her chapter Eta Upsilon in Area I.
 - ii. All items must be claimed by 4:15.
- E. A reminder was given about the LIFE Interest Session: a SKYPED conversation with Sue Pearson the author of *The Nancies* which is this year's Read Across DKG California book selection.

13. Adjournment: Donna Fleischer thanked all for their support and attendance at this meeting. The 2019 Annual Meeting of Members of the Chi State LIFE Foundation was adjourned at 7:20.