



## California Alpha Delta Kappa

### Zoom Meeting Minutes

July 3, 2025

#### 1.0 Call to Order

**Virginia Riding, State President**

Meeting called to order at 1:05 p.m..

#### 2.0 Silent Roll Call

**Ann McCarty, State Secretary**

##### Members present

President	Virginia Riding	<i>Gamma</i>
President Elect	Donna McCartney	<i>Gamma Nu</i>
Immediate Past President	Rosena Kruley	<i>Beta Alpha</i>
VP Membership	absent	
Treasurer	Ginny Williamson	<i>Beta Kappa</i>
Secretary	Ann McCarty	<i>Alpha Lambda</i>
Historian/Sgt-at-Arms	Linda Barker	<i>Gamma</i>
Chaplain	Debbie Waltzer	<i>Iota</i>
Executive Advisor to the Board	Susan Raffo	<i>Beta Rho</i>

#### 2.1 Introduction of President-Elect

**Virginia**

Virginia introduced and welcomed Donna McCartney from Marina District, Gamma Nu, who will be serving as our new State President-elect. She is a former PA State President and is happy and eager to join the Board.

#### 3.0 Review of Norms

**Linda Barker, State Hist./Sgt.-at-Arms**

- R** Responsibility for what you say and feel without blaming others
- E** Empathetic listening -feel what the other person is saying
- S** Sensitivity to differences in communication styles
- P** Ponder what you hear and feel before speaking
- E** Examine your own assumptions and perceptions
- C** Confidentiality - board discussions stay on the board
- T** Trust ambiguity - don't debate who is right or wrong

#### 4.0 Approval of Agenda

**All**

Agenda approved with changes.

**5.0 Opening Thought**

**Debbie Waltzer, State Chaplain**

“You're braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and smarter than you think.”

**6.0 Approval of March 7-9, 2025 Minutes**

**Ann**

Approved as corrected.

**6.1 Southern District Gathering Minutes & Summary**

**Susan Raffo, Interim President Elect**

Minutes were approved by the Board in lieu of official approval from the Southern District, as the Board sponsored this gathering in place of a Conference. Susan Raffo, a member of the Executive Board took the minutes. Susan reminded the Board that at the next Southern District Conference it will be noted that the minutes have been approved and distributed to the leaders of the Councils in the Southern District.

**7.0 Treasurer’s Report**

**Ginny Williamson, State Treasurer**

**Current balances in Wells Fargo accounts as of July 3, 2025**

Balance in checking:	\$9,940.54
Balance in Scholarship:	\$9,506.96
*Balance in Reserve account:	\$46,084.70
<b>TOTAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>\$65,532.20</b>

**Noel Leonard Investment Account** (held in ADK Foundation)

Current balance:	\$74,490.60
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**OVERALL TOTAL: \$138,072.80**

**Other Accounts:**

**Crisis Fund**

CA

Educators Helping Educators Balance:	\$5154.00
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\*This includes donations from chapters in CA and other states.

**AΔK Foundation**

\$2,796.21

Donations from other states to help CA sisters in need

**State Altruistic Project**

Camp Kesem	\$1800.00
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Ginny reported that we have been reimbursed \$4000 from the Noel Leonard Investment Account (held in the AΔK Foundation) which was used for stipends

for first timers to attend the 2024 State Convention. Twenty people received \$200 each.

Ginny will look into whether we have received the \$1500 from the Noel Leonard Account (held in the AΔK Foundation) that we requested in order to reimburse the scholarship account for the Fall 2024 District Mini-Grants. This would potentially free up money in the state budget currently allocated to Regional Scholarships to be used for other purposes.

Ginny also reported that all but 11 chapters have sent in their financial summary for 2025 to International. Additionally, fifteen of forty-one chapters have submitted e-postcards. They are not technically due until October, though Ginny has requested to receive them by July 31..

## **8.0 Unfinished Business**

### **8.1 International Convention**

**Virginia**

#### **8.1.1 Arrival/Departure Dates and Times -**

Ann will create a form to send out to the Board to gather this information.

#### **8.1.2 Shuttle Plans**

To be shared with the Board as needed.

#### **8.1.3 California Gathering**

**Susan**

Thirty-six sisters from CA are attending and all received an invitation to the informal, no host CA gathering on Thursday, July 10 at 5:30. The Board is asked to arrive at 5:00 and greet guests as they arrive. Dinner will be on your own. All attendees will receive a purple bandanna so we can identify other CA sisters throughout the Convention, along with a bag of “California Gold” candies.

Virginia will encourage CA sisters to sit together at the General Sessions of the Convention. Susan has created an identifying sign for the CA contingent. Debbie volunteered to hold the state sign.

#### **8.1.4 Board Sales**

**Susan**

We are selling badges, bracelets and AΔK stickers. Susan asked that Board members take turns assisting at the sales table. Please just show up to take a shift.

Susan encouraged members of the Board who may have vintage AΔK pins they may want to pass along to bring them to the Convention. Any funds received from their sales will be used as a donation to Camp Kasem.

#### **8.1.5 Reimbursement Forms**

**Virginia**

Covered costs: hotel room; transportation (air and shuttle)

Not covered: food or drink; registration fee

Use the same form normally used by the Board for reimbursement and submit to Ginny. For further clarification about convention reimbursements, please refer to Section J in the Policies and Procedures manual.

#### **8.1.6 Other International Convention Questions**

No other questions arose.

### **8.2 DEI Update**

**Rosena Kruley, SWR DEI Chair & PSP**

The Diversity, Equity and Inclusion committee was originally formed to promote belonging by all sisters. However, changes are being mandated to the committee name due to political pressure. As our organization is chartered in the state of Missouri, the state government there has instructed International to remove all references to DEI in order to retain our tax exempt status. The International Steering Committee recommended the title be changed to the ABC Committee - Access, Belonging and Community. The delegates to the International Convention recently approved this recommendation in early online voting. This change will take effect at the close of the upcoming International Convention. The goals and objectives of the ABC committee will remain the same as those established by the previous DEI Committee. An article about this title change, written by Rosena, appears in the most recent edition of the [regional publication](#), *SunSpots*.

Rosena recommended that Board members share about this in our next liaison report to our Councils.

### **8.3 State Board Summer Planning Retreat**

**All**

Virginia reminded us the new dates for the Leadership Retreat are Sept 4-7 at Teresa's home in Granite Bay, CA. Her goal is for us to brainstorm and plan for how to organize and manage the upcoming virtual conferences in the second year of the biennium.

#### **8.4 Other Unfinished Business**

No unfinished business was presented.

### **9.0 New Business**

#### **9.1 Donation to Foundation in Honor of Dorothy Vaio**

**Virginia**

Dorothy, who passed away recently, was an original CA AΔK sister - our only platinum sister. She was a Past CA State President and held a number of other offices as well. It is in Policy and Procedures to make a \$100 donation to the AΔK Foundation in honor of Past State Presidents when they transition to the Omega chapter.

**DONNA MOVED WE MAKE A \$100 DONATION IN THE NAME OF DOROTHY VAIO TO THE ADK FOUNDATION. LINDA SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.**

#### **9.2 Installation of Donna McCartney**

**Virginia**

Virginia shared some options for Donna's installation as the new State President-Elect at our upcoming meeting in September in Granite Bay. These include having the ceremony conducted by Past State President Diana Galvan, who lives in the Roseville area. Another option is a Virtual installation with a leader from the Southwest Region. Virginia asked Donna to consider the options and let her know how she wants to handle it.

#### **9.3 Virtual District Conference Dates**

**Virginia**

The Valley District Conference is typically held on the first Saturday in November. However, there is an error in the [Presidents' Council Handbook](#) calendar, showing the conference on Nov. 8 (second Saturday) rather than Nov. 1. The Board agreed to change the date for the Valley Conference to Nov. 1, 2025. Other conference dates are:

Northern District Council: Oct. 4, 2025

Marina District Council: Jan. 24, 2026

Southern District Council, March 14, 2026

All of the conferences will be held virtually the second year of this biennium.

### **9.4 State Convention**

**Virginia**

#### **9.4.1 Date and Location**

May 1 - 3, 2026; Clovis CA In order to save money, the convention will be held at the Clovis Memorial Veterans building rather than in a hotel. There are hotels nearby within walking distance. We do not need to prebook rooms with any one hotel. This will be a budget friendly option for us.

#### **9.4.2 Seed Money**

According to the Policy and Procedures, the Board will front seed money from our budget for pre-Convention costs. The adopted budget shows an allocation of \$7500 for this purpose. This money must be repaid from convention registration fees.

**ROSENA MOVED THAT THE BOARD ALLOCATE \$7500 TO BE USED AS SEED MONEY FOR THE 2026 STATE CONVENTION, TO BE HELD ON MAY 1-3, 2026 IN CLOVIS CA. LINDA SECONDED. MOTION PASSED.**

#### **9.4.3 Other New Business**

No new business was presented.

#### **10.0 Closing Thought**

**Debbie**

“Every day may not be good, but there is something good in every day.”

#### **11.0 Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

*Minutes submitted by: Ann McCarty, State Secretary*

*Approved Aug. 15, 2025*