



California Alpha Delta Kappa

Meeting of the Executive Board - held on Zoom

September 24, 2024 - **Approved**

1.0 Call to Order

Virginia Riding, State President

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m.

2.0 Silent Roll Call

Ann McCarty, Secretary

Members present

President	Virginia Riding	<i>Gamma</i>
President Elect		
Immediate Past President	Rosena Kruley	<i>Beta Alpha</i>
VP Membership	Teresa Heitmiller Olea	<i>Beta Eta</i>
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>

3.0 Approval of Agenda

All

The agenda was approved as presented.

4.0 Review of Norms

Virginia

- 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

5.0 Southern District Conference History

Virginia

The Southern District consists of the Inland Cities Council (ICC) and the San Diego (SD) council. Inland Cities has 7 chapters and 128 members, though many of the chapters are small. San Diego has 3 chapters and 78 members. Until recently, they have followed an alternating rotation between the two councils for hosting the Southern District conference. In March 2023, two members of the SD council presented three proposals to the state Executive Board to alter the schedule for hosting duties for the conference. All three options proposed that ICC would be the host for the March 2025 conference. Their rationale included that they are a smaller council and have fewer chapters/ sisters to help with the planning. Additionally, they stated that the rotation schedule had been impacted after the in-person conference in 2020 was replaced with a virtual one due to covid, which resulted in the SD council hosting more in-person conferences in the recent years.

Following this presentation, the board agreed to conduct a feasibility study in 2023 about the format of the District conferences for the 2024-26 biennium. Following this study, the Board agreed that conferences in year 1 of the biennium would be in person and online in year 2.

When new president Virginia Riding prepared the Presidents handbook for the 2024-26 biennium, she assumed that the alternating schedule for hosting the conference was still in place and indicated that the San Diego council would be the host for 2025. The San Diego council president reported back to Virginia that a new rotation schedule had been adopted and the responsibility for hosting was the Inland Cities council. Inland Cities subsequently objected and stated they believe it is San Diego's turn to host.

The Executive Board became aware of this conflict only recently and met today to discuss the issue and seek solutions.

6.0 Southern District Conference Concerns

Virginia

Both councils have strongly held rationale for their belief about which council is responsible for hosting the conference this year. We are now in a stalemate, with both councils stating they will not be planning or hosting the Southern District conference in March 2025.

7.0 Board Discussion & Recommendations for Southern District Conference

All

Teresa raised the question about whether we should evaluate the role of district conferences in general. Do we still need annual conferences with each district - is it too much with all the other ADK meeting obligations? The board may explore this further in the future.

After further discussion, the board came up with several options for how to deal with the stalemate regarding the Southern District conference. It was agreed to meet with the leaders of both San Diego and Inland Cities Councils together to discuss and attempt to come to a mutually agreeable solution.

8.0 Other

No other business was presented.

9.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45.