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Dear fellow Zontians,

According to Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary, leadership is the "capacity to lead". And if you look up the word "lead", its definition is not much more helpful. One of my college philosophy professors once said that "knowledge" can be defined as "the union of the knower and the known in the act of knowing." Really? Let's just get down to brass tacks. Leadership might be the capacity to lead, but it also is the ability to pick the right people at the right time for the right task. It is the ability to submerge self in favor of progress. It is the ability to promote and encourage the work of others. It is the ability to always ask questions and to look, with an open mind, for answers. It involves intuition, thoughtfulness, listening, coaxing, and selflessness.

Enough lecturing! I am so proud of our Club Nominating Committee, led by Marie Kolich, with great assistance from Ruth Holzschuh and Marcia Charney, for its recent work in drafting our slate of officers for the next biennium. Great leadership, one and all! As Marie, Ruth, and Marcia wrangled with this task—no easy feat—they called upon their knowledge of each member and used that knowledge to craft a thoughtful slate for your vote at our next meeting on Wednesday, March 7th! With a bit of arm-twisting, cajoling, and persuasion they lined up a great group of officer candidates. Just to refresh your memory, and to ask you to join in thanking the Committee and the people brave enough to accept the call to leadership, here is our slate:

President — Dawna Adams-Davis
First Vice President — Pam Fellingham
Second Vice President — Marcia Charney
Treasurer — Cynthia Yin
Recording Secretary — Kathleen Long
Corresponding Secretary — Cheryl Disney Breeden
Board of Directors — Dolo Otto, Ruth Holzschuh, and Mary Mondi

Great work everyone! I think you scored on all points ... I see a "union of the knower(s) and the known in the act of knowing! I think the Committee also picked the right people at the right time for the right task(s)!

It will be important for each of us to decide over the next two months what specific role each of us can undertake to support the incoming leaders. Please put your thinking caps on and try to carve out a role that will take you to the "right place" at the "right time"! None of us can operate in a vacuum, and everyone's support is what makes Zonta great.

-- Dolo



► Prospective Member Spotlight – Your Photo Here



Prospective Zonta International members are individuals who would enjoy:

- Promoting women's human rights and equality
- Supporting both global and local service and advocacy projects
- Developing leadership skills
- Meeting like-minded women and men, both from your community and around the world
- Networking through access to over 32,000 members from around the globe (cultural, linguistic and professional diversity)
- Improving the lives of women worldwide
- Forming international friendships
- Supporting scholarships for women and girls locally, nationally, and globally
- Having a greater voice in your community

Encourage your friends to join us!

Minutes — February 1, 2012

The Johnson County Zonta Club meeting was called to order by Dolo at 6:55 p.m. on February 1, 2012. Members in attendance were: Anne McCleery, Dolo Otto, Barbara Page-Stocks, Cheryl Disney Breeden, Joan Korek, Dawna Adams-Davis, Cynthia Yin, Joyce Dutcher, Marie Kolich, and Mary Mondì.

Dawna Adams-Davis moved and Cheryl Disney Breeden seconded that the January minutes be accepted. The motion carried. The Service Hours Log was circulated. Marie Kolich presented the Treasurer's Report and it was filed for audit.

Dawna Adams-Davis won the Zonta Quiz and won a beautiful scarf handcrafted by Dolo.

Cynthia Yin reported on the Bunko for Zonta activity and shared the invitation with us. The Bunko event will be held at the Tomahawk Ridge Community Center on Sunday, April 29, 2012, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. We are all encouraged to invite our friends. The cost is \$20 and reservations must be made by April 20th.

Dawna Adams-Davis is still getting information on the discount dinner cards and will report in March.

Anne and Dolo are working on the membership packets. When Dolo steps down from the presidency she will have more time to devote to this endeavor.

Pam will report on the Advocacy-Care USA program next month.

Anne McCleery said that Keeler Women's Center has requested candles to be donated to homeless people, and that we will be preparing toiletry bags again in April. The resume and interview program we led at Keeler was excellent but there were only three attendees. We will do it again but only if there is a guaranteed number of participants.

Dawna Adams-Davis informed us about the United Nations Women's Conference dealing with the employment of women and women involved in the peace process.

(Minutes Continued)

The nontraditional scholarship was awarded to Lisa Spain and she is planning on attending our March meeting. Joyce Dutcher will contact high school counselors to remind them about the YWPA Scholarship, which has a deadline of March 1st.

The Nominating Committee has compiled our slate of officers: President—Dawna Adams-Davis, 1st Vice President—Pam Fellingham, 2nd Vice President—Marcia Charney, Treasurer—Cynthia Yin, Recording Secretary—Kathleen Long, Corresponding Secretary—Cheryl Disney Breeden, Board of Directors—Dolo Otto, Ruth Holzschuh, and Mary Mondì.

Dawna said there would be a final report on the Amelia Earhart Luncheon at the next meeting.

Several options were discussed for Zonta Rose Day. Mary Mondì and Dawna Adams-Davis will coordinate the event at Overland Park School to be held on March 8th. Members are asked to bring cookies to the meeting on March 7th. Mary will call the principal at the school to arrange the Rose Day presentation.

The Zonta Area 4 Meeting will be April 14th at the Grand Street Café and it will be hosted by KCMO I.

We would like to strive for 100% participation in individual donations to the Zonta International Foundation. Cynthia Yin volunteered to donate \$100 if everyone makes a donation at the next meeting. Dolo thanked everyone in advance.

The Jane Klausman Scholarship will be publicized at the Bunko event by Anne McCleery.

Dawna Adams-Davis is unable to attend the Zonta International Convention but Anne McCleery or Cheryl Disney Breeden may be able to attend as our Club delegate.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Mondì



Items of Note!



- Goal: 100% participation on an individual level (Club already gives)
- Target a Fund:
 - International Service Fund
 - ZISVAW Fund
 - Amelia Earhart Fellowship Fund
 - JMK Women in Business Scholarship Fund
 - YWPA Award Fund
 - Rose Fund
 - Endowment Fund
 - Amelia Earhart Fellowship Endowment Fund
- These funds make all of Zonta International's programs possible!
- **CYNTHIA YIN'S CHALLENGE:** She will donate \$100 if each member contributes!

- OFFICER ELECTIONS: Officers and Directors will be elected at the annual business meeting in March, take office on June 1st, and hold office for two years. Would anyone like to organize the Annual Business meeting and new officer installation ceremony?
- Reminder: **“Bunko for Zonta”** will be held on **Sunday, April 29, 2012, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center, 11902 Lowell, in Overland Park.** *Each of you is encouraged to recruit at least three people to play BUNKO!* A giant THANK YOU goes to Suzanne Hoff, Cynthia Yin, et al., for organizing!
- Human Rights Conference (CRC/CEDAW): Anne McCleery is “in the know” regarding the upcoming conference, which will be held Thursday evening and all day Friday, October 4 – 5, at the Embassy Suites Plaza Hotel. Anne will report at the meeting on Wednesday.
- Amelia Earhart Luncheon 2013: Ruth Holzschuh and Dawna Adams-Davis are already busy at work on the next Amelia Earhart Luncheon. SAVE THE DATE: January 19, 2013 — Grand Street Café! Social at 11:30 a.m. with a cash bar for wine, and lunch will begin at 12:00 noon.
- Lisa Spain, our nontraditional scholar, will attend the meeting on Wednesday to accept the scholarship award! Marie, please bring the checkbook!
- YWPA Scholarship: More than 50 applications had been opened on the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation Web site, but our GKCCF contact was out of the office and I will not know until next week how many completed applications were filed.
- A resounding THANK YOU goes to Mary Mondi and Dawna Adams-Davis for planning our Rose Day activity on Thursday, March 8th. We are honoring the staff at the Overland Park Elementary School located at 8150 Santa Fe Drive. We are taking yellow roses and cookies to the school to be placed in the teachers' lounge at 8:30 a.m. WE ARE ASKING EACH MEMBER TO BRING TWO DOZEN COOKIES TO OUR MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7TH! If you are able to help Dawna and Mary deliver and set up, please call Mary at 913-488-2480. There will be no formal presentation, just an introduction and quick set up. We will leave some information for the teachers about Zonta International and our Club.



More Items of Note!

- **SAVE THE DATE:** The Zonta Area 4 Meeting will be held April 14th at the Grand Street Café. Please stand by for more details. The Zonta Club of KCMO I is the host.
- A reminder about “From Russia with Love! — the spring fund raiser for the Zonta Club KCMO II ...
- Club presidents are encouraged to report the Club delegate to the Zonta International Convention (and alternate or proxy) via an online form which will be available on the Zonta International website. The deadline for reporting delegates is May 21, 2012.
- If you have new or used candles that you would like to donate to Keeler Women’s Center, they will be distributed to the homeless. Candles in glass containers cannot be accepted. Please bring them to the meeting on Wednesday, and we will deliver them to Keeler.



Calendar of Events/Deadlines				
Date	Activity	Time/Location	Agenda/Speaker/Guests	Notes
Wed., 03/07/12	Club Meeting	6:30 p.m. Fortune Star		
March/April 2012	Distribute Club Dues invoices/elections of officers, directors/Fdn contributions to ZI HQ/ elect Club Delegates to Int'l. Convention			
03/07/12	Club Officer Election			
03/08/12	International Women’s Day/Zonta Rose Day			
04/01/12	YWPA apps to District Governor			
04/14/12	Zonta Area 4 Meeting (Hosted by KCMO I)	TBD Grand Street Café		
04/28/12	From Russia with Love! (KCMO II)	6-10 p.m. Filipino Cultural Center		
04/29/12	BUNKO FOR ZONTA	2-4 p.m. Tomahawk Ridge Community Center		
05/21/12	Delegate/proxy registration deadline	Int'l. Convention/Torino		
May 2012	Officers reports to ZI HQ/Annual Club Report to Area Director by May 1/dues + updated club list to ZI HQ by June 1/Joint meeting of old and new boards to pass torch/Jane Klausman to District Governor/committee by May 31.			
10/04-05/12	Human Rights Conference (CRC/CEDAW)	Embassy Suites Hotel on the Plaza		
01/19/13	Amelia Earhart Luncheon	Grand Street Café		

