



## **EGA – South Central Region Fort Worth Chapter**

### **March 1, 2025: General Membership Meeting Minutes**

**Location: Pickard Hall, University of Texas at Arlington**

#### **1. Welcome & Call to order – 09:30 AM**

#### **2. Officer Reports**

- **President –Jeanne Maxwell**

- Amendment to increase amount of spending before board approval from \$250 to \$500 finalized – Has been approved at all levels
- Needle Arts Love Story – Groups of 8 or more get \$5 off ticket price. Saturday, March 8 at 10:00 am. More information in the newsletter.
- Hand and Lock course discount – 20% discount for anyone that wants to take their classes. The information is in the March newsletter.
- Website- Jennifer Eagan is modernizing the site. Organized into dropdown menus. Clear your cookies if the site still looks like the old site. Photo release is covered in the membership paperwork. Need to add a link to the South-Central Region. Will do a show and tell at a monthly meeting when the website is complete.
- Chapter Event Planning – sign ups around the meeting room for folks who want to help more.
  - Chapter Retreat (Anna Todd)
  - 50th Anniversary (Shawn LaFleur)
  - Shop Hop ()
- New member packets
  - Sent out by Angela
  - Let us know if you have not received
- SCR Seminar- Dianne Stauber –
  - 3 new classes added to seminar.
  - Virtual class will be held the week before.
  - Volunteers are being requested.
  - Nametags for the seminar are available for sale.

- We need someone to replace Sheri Hagar as Yearbook Chair.
- Vote to reimburse Dianne Stauber for website and email expense
  - We need to vote on whether to reimburse Dianne Stauber for establishing our independent chapter email and website at a total cost of \$807. 94. In the past, Dianne has generously used her own resources for the chapter, and this established a secure and independent domain for our chapter for three years at a discounted price. The discount is because of the three-year agreement. The cost for the email domain is \$424.82 and the website domain is \$383.12. Dianne provided the chapter with receipts for this expense.
  - The motion passed unanimously.
- **Secretary – Kristy Wheeler**
  - Recording meeting minutes
- **Treasurer / Membership – Angela Sparks**
  - Financial Report

▪ Beginning Balance 2/1/2025	\$26,736.69
▪ Deposits	\$745.57
▪ Paid out	(460.09)
▪ <u>Ending Balance as of 2/28/2025</u>	<u>\$27,022.17</u>
▪ General Fund	\$22,738.43
▪ Workshop Fund	\$3,773.74
▪ Girl Scout Program Fund	\$510.00
▪ <u>Ledger Balance as of 2/28/2025</u>	<u>\$27,022.17</u>
  - Membership (as of February 28)
    - 4 New Primary Member
    - 0 New Plural Members
    - 97 Primary Members (includes 2 Lifetime and 2 Youth)
    - 20 Plural Members (including 3 Lifetime)
    - Total membership = 117
    - 3 members renewed. Two of those that did not renew in 2024.
  - Nametag Program – See Angela Sparks for a \$1 fee for not wearing a nametag. New members have 2 months to stitch a nametag.
- **Vice President, Programs – Shawn LaFleur**
  - 2025 Program Calendar
    - March - Hem stitch with Claudia
    - April - Free stitching time (Stitching Texas)
    - May - Needle Lace with Diana Smith
    - June - Buttons and Boots scissor Fob (in honor of regional seminar) with Sherri Hagar
    - July - Crochet/needle project with Christine
    - August - assemble state fair kits?

- September - Felt project with Garrett
  - October – Beaded ornament with Raymond
  - November - Open
  - December - Holiday party
- Opportunity Baskets
  - Organizing a basket of donated items to offer as a drawing at the Stitching Texas Retreat. Looking for items related to the theme of Friendship. Donate items to Shawn LaFleur.
  - Organizing a basket for the South-Central Region Seminar – Western Texas/Fort Worth/Cowboy theme.
- **Vice President, Education – Anna Todd**
  - Been in contact with a previous teacher, she is not able to teach this year. She might be able to do a workshop for 2026.
  - Reached out to some designers.
- **Region Representative – Kathy Self**
  - Change in Lightning Rounds. \$35 fee will be paid by region. You must fill out a form for reimbursement. Signup with National online.
  - Working on a program for 2025.

### 3. Committee Chair Reports

- **Outreach Team – Sue Greene**
  - Girl Scout Merit Badge Classes -- Nine girls signed up for May.
  - Angela working on a Stitch in Public in Denton
  - The Quilt Show is in Dallas in March. We are not manning a booth.
  - Charitable Donations – will look for one more pet charity to donate to. Looking for a new focus for our donations. Don't Forget to Feed Me Foodbank is our current focus.
  - Girl Scouts – the March troop asked to postpone to May. Several of the February troop girls were not able to attend because of illness. It was suggested that the 2 groups be combined in a class in May. Also, Sue was approached by the Girl Scouts about expanding our programming. It was recommended that she ask the Girl Scouts for more information.
  - Texas State Fair – will need volunteers for a booth at the fair.
- **Goodwill – Christine Roberts**
  - Birthday cards sent
- **Yearbook – Sherri Hagar**
  - Needs to resign due to previous conflict.
- **Parliamentarian – Sherri Hagar**
  - No report

#### **4. Old Business:**

- 2025 EGA National Seminar – Dallas: November 12-16
- March is the last month to buy Bingo Cards.

#### **5. New Business – none**

#### **6. Announcements - none**

#### **7. Show and Tell - 😊**

#### **8. Programs – Hem Stitch with Claudia**

#### **9. Next meetings**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 6:30 pm – **Board Meeting** via ZOOM
- 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 9:30 am – **General Meeting**
- Every Wednesday 4:00 – 8:00 pm – **WIP Wednesday** via ZOOM
- Every Sunday 11:00 – 1:00 pm – **Stitchy Sunday** via ZOOM
- Stitch in Public – days & times vary

#### **10. Business Meeting ended – 10:30 a.m.**

#### **11. Members in attendance – See sign in sheet**