Alpha Kappa Chapter The Delta Kappa Society International

Minutes of the summer social luncheon July 28, 2017

Call to Order: 11:30 am, at Longhorn Steakhouse

Members Present: Jacque Clemens, Alice-Ann Darrow, Carole-Jo Hardiman, Delores Hudson, Marie Land, Melanie Hester, Gina Daniels, Nancy Watson, Dawn James, Melissa Olson, LaTressa Marschka, Sandy Byars, Gale Workman, Jean Williams, Sally Roberts, JoAnne Arnett, Janine Schwall, Susan Womble, Amanda Thai, Nikki Abels, Rhonda Work

Welcome: one of our transfers from Gamma Eta Chapter, Sandy Byars was in attendance.

Gale Workman introduced her guest: Lynn Presley

Minutes from the last meeting were approved: Rhonda Work proposed they be accepted and Melanie Hester seconded.

Treasurer's Report: There is a current balance of \$467.18. The Treasurer's report was approved.

The draft of the proposed 2017-18 budget was presented. JoAnne Arnett moved the budget be accepted and Melanie Hester seconded. The budget was approved.

Change in by-laws: At a meeting held on June 17, 2017, the Executive Board recommended the addition of a President-Elect to the Chapter Standing Rules. Duties of this office would include: serve as the presiding officer in the absence of the president, succeed to the office of president in the event of resignation or death of the current president, and to perform such duties as assigned by the current President and/or the Executive Board. This requires a change in the current by-laws.

It was also recommended that for the remainder of the current year, an interim President-Elect be appointed. The nominating committee will then follow appropriate procedure to nominate a President-Elect for the following year. It was then recommended that Nancy Watson serve as the interim President-Elect for the remainder of this year.

Dawn James moved the change in by-laws and interim President-Elect be accepted and Gale Workman seconded. The change was approved.

Reserve Requests: One person, Linda Rogers, has requested to be placed in the reserve category. Dawn James moved this be accepted and Rhonda Work seconded. It was approved.

New Prospects: Members were asked to provide names for new prospects. Dawn James will send letters to the prospects.

Book Drive and "Stuff the Pantry" collection: Susan gave suggestions (staples such as flour, sugar, paper goods) that are needed for the pantry. She suggested we think "hurricane" supplies. The big push for these items will be next March. A representative of the organization will be asked to speak at our August 19 meeting. Gale spoke about the book drive for the ELC. She suggested we bring books to each meeting (Goodwill is a good source). The books will be delivered to the ELC sometime in December of this year.

Scholarship Update: At the board meeting, it was decided that our chapter would support the World Fellowship Fund. This is a scholarship that brings Fulbright scholars to the United States to complete their degrees. Gale also mentioned that we could receive a Gold Award through DKG if we raise a minimum of \$100.00. The suggestion was proposed that we begin to gather "gently" used items for a silent auction to be held at our December meeting. We can also donate money to help with the funding.

Nancy Watson informed us that the Southern Scholarship Foundation is still accepting applications.

Old Business: There was none.

New Business: There was none.

The formal meeting was adjourned and lunch was enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Nikki Abels, Acting Recording Secretary