

Alpha Kappa Chapter
The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Business and Program Minutes
October 19, 2024
Submitted by Nikki Abels

Members Attending:

Rhonda Work, Edna Owens, Stacy Thompson, June Townsend, Diane

Johnson, Nancy Watson, Maria Pouncey, Gale Workman, Hillary Famularo, Lisa Phillips, Vicki Rhodes, Ginny Densmore, Susan Vinson and Nikki Abels.

Call to Order:

Stacy T. called the meeting to order. She then introduced Trish Neely, President of the League of Women Voters in Leon County. Trish described what the League does. She said their aim is to advocate, educate and litigate. They are concerned with voting rights, democracy, environmental issues and educating the general populace and voters. They are non-partisan in their activities. Trish reminded us that there are three ways to vote; by mail, early voting and election day voting. The League's priority is to inform and protect the public's right to vote. She then went through the proposed constitutional amendments and city charter amendments that are on the ballot. The information was thorough and informative. She also gave the hotline in case of a question or concern. 866-our-vote.

Business Meeting:

Stacy T. opened the business portion of the meeting.

Lundquist House:

Stacy T. reported that the luncheon went well and the ladies enjoyed the discussion about voting.

Website:

Connie L. was able to get our website up and running again after being hacked.

(Kudos to Connie)

Emergency Funds:

Stacy T. encouraged members to contribute to the state emergency funds

for DKG in light of the two hurricanes. There is definitely a need.

Minutes:

The approval of the minutes was deferred to our next general meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Stacy T. reported for Patte Casey. We have a healthy balance, thanks in part to a generous anonymous donation of \$500. We still need to pay our World Fellowship commitment. Members can add to the World Fellowship with donations of their own. Rhonda said we will need to have the general membership vote on our budget for the upcoming year at our December meeting.

Committee Reports:

Nancy W. and Stacy T. reported that the ladies were very pleased with the luncheon and the discussion on voting. There are seven ladies who would like to have a mentor this year for various reasons. We still need to support the pantry and the ladies are requesting donations of meats and proteins. And Nancy W. will be taking the one senior student to lunch to celebrate her accomplishments.

Unfinished Business:

Lisa P. and Stacy T. held the induction ceremony for Hillary Famularo.

Rhonda also reminded us how and where to properly wear our DKG pin.

New Business:

Committees:

Stacy T. suggested that we use one of our meetings in early 2025 to talk about committees and commitment to being on at least of them. We will probably meet at one of the libraries for this.

By-Laws:

We need to meet about looking at our by-laws in light of the revised state requirements for scholarships.

State Position:

The deadline for the state positions (2025-27) is December 1, 2024. If you are interested, please see the state website.

Announcements:

Cookie Exchange and Business Meeting:

Stacy T. reminded us that we are meeting at Jo Anne Arnett's house on December 10, at 5:30 pm for our annual cookie exchange and sort business meeting.

Spring Meeting:

The meeting is TBA and will deal with committees and membership on those committees.

Thank you:

A great big thanks to Ginny for the generous use of her home and her wonderful hospitality.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 by Stacy T.