Alpha Kappa Chapter The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Minutes of the August 25, 2018 Meeting Submitted by Nikki Abels

Call to Order at 10:30 am at Ginny Densmore's home.

Members Attending: Nikki Abels, Teresa Horn, Patti Casey, Monica Hayes, Delores Hudson, Rhonda Work, Melanie Hester, June Townsend, Nancy Rosenbaum, Connie Lewis, Gale Workman, Ginny Densmore, Susan Vinson, Nancy Watson.

Guests Attending: Nancy Henning-Mu State 1st Vice-President and treasurer of Iota Chapter, Ruth Bickel-Teacher at Florida High, Lisa Phillips-Teacher at Florida High, Janie Register-formerly of Gamma Eta, transferring to Alpha Kappa.

Minutes: The July 18, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as amended.

Correspondence: We received a note from the Jessalyn McBride Leadership Seminar, which Nancy and Delores had the opportunity to attend. Nancy graciously requested that instead of being reimbursed for her expenses, that money be donated to the Mu State Leadership Fund for future use at State Leadership Conferences.

Treasurer's Report: Rhonda reported that as of August 25, 2018 we have a balance of \$1303.60. The only expense was the purchase of new checks. Rhonda also reminded members that dues are being collected. The report was approved.

Nancy reminded members to please complete the question card for "Who said that?" if you had not already done so.

Old Business:

Gale updated the group on our joint TCC profile/interview project. She encouraged all members to participate, as we would like to use the information gathered in our future newsletters. The information will be archived on the website.

Nancy reminded us to please us the "Remind" app to enable us to get text reminders of our chapter events.

Delores updated the group on the plans for the 60^{th} Alpha Kappa anniversary event. The proposed date is Thursday, June 27, 2019.

Connie shared the DKG poster board which was displayed at the District I meeting and invited the visitors to take one of the information sheets.

New Business:

Mu State fall workshop: Nancy and Delores will be attending. Nancy encouraged other members to consider attending. Nancy Henning reported that this workshop is very good and informative. There are many opportunities to meet new people, network and attend some great sessions. There will be special recognition of new members at the workshop. It was also mentioned that there are some very "cool" raffles involved.

Pack the Pantry: Nancy reminded us that we need to collect our supplies as soon as possible and bring to the next meeting as school is back in session.

ELC book collection: Gale reported that this is our fourth year collecting books for the children. Last year we collected 262 books, the most ever. Rhonda reported that she has 100+ books already. In addition to books for the pre-school children, we can also bring books for the older siblings. Monica Hayes will be chairing this committee.

Name Tags: Teresa Horn is the committee chair. It was suggested by Nikki Abels that we explore the possibility of using magnets instead of the pins for our nametags.

"Who said that?": Nancy read several of the questionnaire cards. The members present tried to guess who said the quote from the card. The question: "What would you have done had you chosen another profession instead of teaching"?

Answers from cards:

Stage Actor in a Christian Setting – Felecia J. Jackson Animal Activist – Rhonda Work Work in a Forensic lab – Sandy Byars Engineer or Computer Scientist – Patti Casey Education Director in Wild Life Park – Melanie Hester

It was quite fun to learn new information about our members.

Accolades and Kudos:

Ginny Densmore and her husband will celebrate their 50th anniversary.

Nikki Abels explained the event called Dragoncon which she and her husband participate in. A fun event.

Next meeting reminder: Our next meeting will be on Monday, September 24, 2018 at the Leon County Sheriff's Department at 2825 Municipal Way. Connie will be our hostess. Our speaker will be Mike Wallace who is involved with CRASE (Civilian Response to Active Shooting Incidents). Gale reported that he would cover gun emergencies in schools.

Committees: Nancy encouraged each member to find and join a committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am.