



Psi State – Georgia
Beta Epsilon Chapter Minutes
Fannin, Towns, and Union Counties

The Thursday, March 5, 2020 meeting of Beta Epsilon Chapter, Psi State – Georgia, Delta Kappa Gamma Society International was held at 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church of Union County in Blairsville. Members attending were Janice Cochran, Cathy Kirby, Tricia Wallace, Barbara Hale, and Donna Howell.

Call to Order and Welcome – Tricia Wallace

Tricia called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Minutes – Donna Howell

Donna distributed copies of the minutes from the December, 2019 meeting. The minutes stand approved as distributed with one minor correction.

Treasurer's Report – Tabled until next meeting.

Old Business

Supporting Early Career Educators: Game Day Fundraiser – Cathy Kirby

Ticket sales have been very slow. After discussion of options, Barbara Hale made and Cathy Kirby seconded a motion to cancel the game day for this year and plan for 2021. Motion carried. The date preferences for 2021 are 1st choice April 24, 2nd choice May 1, and 3rd choice April 17. Tricia will schedule the first choice if it is available. Donna will notify local media and update website.

Scholarship application update – Donna Howell

The revised application link has been posted to the website and articles sent to local media outlets. Haley will contact members to ask for assistance in reviewing applications deadline.

Recruitment and Retention of Members

Cathy and Janice will visit the new Teachers of the Year in all three counties to invite them to join. Presentations to local retired educators groups were recommended. Janice has also sent letters to former and non-renewing members to encourage them to rejoin or continue.

New Business

Officers for next Biennium

A new slate of officers needs to be elected, hopefully at the May meeting. Please contact Haley if you are interested in serving in any Beta Epsilon office for the biennium.

Announcements

Janice Cochran announced that Cathy Kirby and Barbara Hale had both submitted successful applications for DKG Boylston grants. Cathy had applied for the Union County First Readers and Barbara for the Towns County First Readers. Each organization will receive \$1,000 to support early literacy through the Boylston Foundation.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 5 p.m. at St. Clare's Episcopal Church in Blairsville and will be Fiesta Pot Luck. It will feature initiation of new members and member recognition.

Adjournment

As there was no further business, Tricia adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Howell, Beta Epsilon Secretary