



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

The Tuesday, May 5, 2020 meeting of Beta Epsilon Chapter, Psi State – Georgia, Delta Kappa Gamma Society International was held at 6:30 p.m. online via Google Meet. Members attending were Haley Dyer, Janice Cochran, Barbara Hale, Teresa Haymore, Melissa King, Cathy Kirby, Tricia Wallace, and Donna Howell.

Call to Order and Welcome – Haley Dyer

Haley called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Minutes – Donna Howell

The minutes have been posted online on the Beta Epsilon website. Corrections may be sent to Donna. The minutes will stand as posted.

Treasurer's Report – Tricia Wallace

There have been no deposits or payments since the last report, so balances remain unchanged. Tricia will submit the end of year report to DKG by June 30 and will send a copy to Haley for distribution.

Business

Installation of New Members – Haley Dyer

After brief discussion, Donna made and Tricia seconded a motion to postpone the installation until we are able to meet in person. Motion carried.

Memorial for Patti Kay – Haley Dyer

Haley is preparing a memorial display for Patti for the next in-person meeting. Janice Cochran sent a dozen red roses for Patti's memorial service for Beta Epsilon.

Scholarship application update – Haley Dyer

Haley has received two applications for the scholarship. Beta Epsilon has funds available to present a scholarship this year, but will have to re-evaluate next year as we were unable to hold the game day fundraiser this year because of the Coronavirus shut down. Haley will send a synopsis of the applications to members with a form for voting on the recipient by May 15 with votes due by May 20, 2020.

Dues – Tricia Wallace

Tricia reported that the portal for dues payments is now open. Cathy made and Janice seconded a motion to keep the dues for the upcoming year at \$60. Motion carried. Dues need to be paid no later than June 15, 2020. Members will receive an e-mail with the address to mail dues with checks payable to Beta Epsilon. Members are encouraged to pay dues in a timely manner to avoid being dropped and having to go through a reinstatement process.

Beta Epsilon Website Options – Donna Howell

For many years, Beta Epsilon has paid for web hosting through DKG. Most chapters are moving toward using an online service to design and host their pages and DKG is encouraging them to do so. Haley and Cathy volunteered to work on a test site and will ask other chapters what service they use. They will develop this during the summer so that we can transition before the next payment for hosting services this fall.

Officers for next Biennium – Haley Dyer

Haley sent an e-mail to members for nominations for officers. The nominations received were: President – Cathy Kirby and Donna Howell, Vice President – Susie Brendle and Haley Dyer. Secretary – Cathy Kirby and Donna Howell, Treasurer – Tricia Wallace. Haley will contact nominees to see if they are willing to serve and will send ballots to members via e-mail for election before the June meeting.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, June 6, 2020 at 11 a.m. This meeting was originally scheduled for the Southern Charm restaurant in downtown Blue Ridge. However, as there may still be significant restrictions for Coronavirus in place at that time, the meeting may be held online via Google Meet. Members will receive updated meeting information from Haley.

Other**Conversation on Coping During the Shutdown**

A roundtable discussion on how members were coping with the changes to school procedures, social isolation, student and parent interaction, student needs and expectations, and personal coping was held. Members shared their experiences, their successes and frustrations, and their uncertainties over how things will be handled in the upcoming school year.

Adjournment

As there was no further business, Haley thanked members for attending and adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Howell, Beta Epsilon Secretary