

**THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY
INTERNATIONAL
TAU STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

Hennepin County Library
8001 Main St. N., Maple Grove, MN

President Kathy Patton (Beta Beta) called the Fall Executive Board Meeting of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Tau State to order on Saturday, October 4th, 2014, at 9:45 a.m. President Kathy welcomed members and stressed the need to build cohesion among ourselves and our chapters.

SONG - Delta Kappa Gamma Song - Sally Nyhus (Alpha Omega)

INSPIRATION – Lois Nordling (Beta Beta)

The Inspiration was from the poem “*Help!*” by Shel Silverstein. At the recent international DKG convention the goal is to strengthen chapters by better planning, preparation, and equipping members, unlike the unicorn in the Silverstein’s poem.

APPROVAL/ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA—President Kathy Patton

A motion was made by Mary Snorek (Alpha Meta), seconded by Marge Arney (Alpha Omega) to accept the agenda. **MOTION PASSED.**

ROLL CALL—by Sign-In Sheet

Sign in is completed by using the registration sheets. Members sign as they arrive to the meeting. A summary of attendance is as follows:

- 9 Past State Presidents
- 6 Officers (Elected and Ex-Officio)
- 13 Chapter Presidents (19 Voting)
- 1 Substitutes for Chapter Presidents
- 11 Committee Chairs/Representatives or their substitutes

Members present:

Marge Arney, Jane Brueske, Dianna Brusven, Michelle Dahlby, Mary Kay Feltes, Carolyn Garven, Sue Glennon, Dianne Hedburg, Laurie Huston, Rosalie Huston, Robbie Johnson, Dr. Jeanette Karjala, Shelley Lundborg, Arlene Matson, Lois Nordling, Sally Nyhus, Kathy Patton, Kate Pearson, Cory Peters, Ruth Ranum, Dr. Melanie Reap, Judy Rohde, Jean Rolle, Mary Snorek, Sue Stokke, Myrna Strand, Lorraine Traut, Dr. Phyllis VanBuren, Ann Vanvick, Nancy Welken, Barbara Whiting

QUORUM—It was reported by Carolyn Garven (Eta) that we had a quorum.

Introduction of Chapter Presidents - who shared a “Did you know this about my chapter?”

Recognition of Past Presidents in attendance: Lorraine Traut 1981-1983, Arlene Matson 1987-1989, Jean Rolle 1993-1995, Barb Whiting 1997-1999, Jeanette Karjala 1999-2001, Robbie Johnson 2003-2005, Mary Snorek 2005-2007, Cory Peters 2009-2011, Phyllis VanBuren 2011-2013.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT—Kathy Patton (Beta Beta)

The President’s report is in the Dropbox.

1st VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT—Sally Nyhus (Alpha Omega)

The 1st Vice-President’s report is in the Dropbox. Sally welcomed the members and lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT—Ann Vanvick (Alpha Kappa)

The 2nd Vice-President’s report is in the Dropbox.

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT—Michelle Dahlby (Mu)

The minutes of the Spring Executive Committee Meeting were posted on the website.

A motion was made by Jeanette Karjala (Iota) seconded by Nancy Welken (Beta Beta) to accept the minutes as posted. **MOTION PASSED.**

TREASURER'S REPORT—Dianna Brusven (Alpha Eta)

- a. The report is in the Dropbox.
- b. Dianna passed out the reimbursement sheets to members for mileage payment at \$0.20 per mile and checks were distributed.
- c. The treasurer's report will be placed on file for audit.
- d. Dianna introduced Shelley Lundborg as the new treasurer.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT--Mary Snorek (Alpha Meta)

1. The annual audit complete on October 2, 2014 and moved to accept both the audit and the financial report. **MOTION PASSED.**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE REPORTS are the Dropbox.

PROGRAMMING - Diane Wippler (Kappa)

LEADERSHIP – Barb Whiting (Beta Beta) Third annual retreat with largest attendance yet. Announced the dates for the Summer Retreat on June 23-24, 2015. St. Ben's is the preferred location. The theme is "Leading, Learning, and Laughing."

MEMBERSHIP/EXPANSION – Kim Kusler (Mu)

DATA BASE MANGER – Rosalie Huston (Alpha Rho) reminded members if a reply is needed, please contact the originator of the message. She has been receiving messages meant for others. The updated list of chapter chairs from chapter presidents is due November 1st.

NOMINATIONS – Kate Pearson (Mu) stated the slate of officers has been completed for the 2015-2017 biennium.

MUSIC – Sally Nyhus (Alpha Omega) is seeking members for the Happy Warblers.

PERSONAL GROWTH AND SERVICE – Cory Peters (Beta Alpha) highlighted the January 15th, 2015, deadline for submissions for the Outstanding Volunteer Award.

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS – Nancy Welken (Beta Beta) has a recommendation concerning the scholarship amount to be presented later in the meeting.

LEGISLATION– Judy Rohde (Sigma) requested that any legislative chair contact changes be sent to her.

TECHNOLOGY/WEBMASTER – Laurie Huston (Alpha Rho) stated permission is needed from chairs and officers to post their email address.

NORTH STAR NEWS – Robbie Johnson (Sigma) announced Lisabeth Underhill as the new editor of the North Star News.

SCHOLARSHIP – Mary Kay Feltes stated the Birdella Ross Scholarship deadline is Jan. 15th, 2015, with the executive committee determining the amount.

COMMUNICATIONS – Marcia Essman A children's book will be selected this year with nominations due by Nov. 15th, 2014.

HISTORICAL RECORDS – Myrna Strand (Alpha Nu)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **2014 Spring Conference Report** - The conference report is revised because of a \$9.00 error in income. The actual profit is \$1997 instead of \$2006.
2. **2015 Convention Update** - Kate Pearson (Mu) Presented the website and convention logo. Registration opens Jan. 12th, 2015. The Village of Hope has been selected with a list of needed Items listed on website. Continuing Education credits will be available. Barbara Whiting Suggested using surplus to sponsor scholarships for members. Kate asked about splitting surplus money with state organization and hosting chapters. The convention/conference facilitator position is currently unfilled.

MIXER – “GETTING TO KNOW YOU” Members interacted with each other as they looked for individuals who met the listed criteria.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Grant-in Aid (recruitment scholarship)** Nancy Welken – It is the Professional Affairs Committee recommendation that the Grant-in Aid increase from \$500.00 to \$750.00 beginning with the grant in 2016 and given in even numbered years. Individuals may apply in their junior year of college for use during their senior year. **MOTION PASSED.**
- 2. Birdella Ross Award** – Mary Kay Feltes moved that the award would be \$3,000. Cory Peters seconded. Mary Kay stated that the amounts have varied from 3,000 to 11,000 and may be in the form of one or more awards. **MOTION PASSED.**
- 3. Harmless Waiver** – President Kathy informed members that the waiver is required by International Headquarters and requires the signature of the president and secretary. Due to her by Oct. 15th, 2014.
- 4. Dissolution of Tau Chapter** - Cory Peters (Beta Alpha) moved to accept the dissolution of Alpha Pi Chapter with regret. Jean Rolle (Alpha Meta) seconded motion. **MOTION PASSED.** Rosalie Huston will send membership list to Alpha Meta. President Kathy reminded members that the standing rules state when a chapter is considering dissolution, the president and membership chair must be notified so they may work with the chapter. Then members may be notified, and the vote to dissolve may be taken. Tau has been uninvolved for some time.
- 5. Northwest Regional Conference** – Phyllis VanBuren reported the dates for the conference are July 29th - August 1st, 2015. There will be a greater focus on members and networking. President Kathy will forward newsletters with conference information.
- 6. Commttee Councils:**
 - Delta Council:** (Leadership) Sally Nyhus, Diane Wippler, Barbara Whiting, Myrna Strand, Lois Nordling, Melanie Reap, Phyllis Van Buren
 - Kappa Council:** (Society Business) Ann Vanvick, Kate Pearson, Jeanette Karjala, Lorraine Traut, Robbie Johnson, Sue Stokke, Marge Arney
 - Gamma Council:** (Communication) Cory Peters, Arlene Matson, Michelle Dahlby, Laurie Huston, Mary Kay Feltes, Sue Stokke, Jean Rolle, Shelley Lundborg, Dianna Brusven, Jane BrueskeCouncils will meet and submit notes to President and will be distributed to executive board for further review.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CELEBRATIONS

Barbara Whiting and Phyllis VanBuren are currently serving as International Officers. President Patton has DKG information available on both Facebook and Twitter. Amazonsmile.com offers a \$0.05 rebate on purchases to DKG Intl.
Sally Nyhus led the President’s Theme Song.

ADJOURNMENT

President Patton declared the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tau State Executive Committee Meeting – February 2015, with time and day to be determined.

Michelle Dahlby
Secretary

Kathy Patton
Tau State President