

THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL TAU STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Holiday Inn, Duluth, MN

ACT: Achieving Goals, Celebrating and communicating Together.

Saturday, April 26, 2014

President Kathy Patton (Beta Beta) called the Spring Executive Board Meeting of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Tau State, to order on Saturday, April 26, 2014, at 8:06 a.m.

INSPIRATION—Sue Stokke (Alpha Theta) The Inspiration was from “*God Created the First Teacher*”, author unknown. On the 8th day, God created the FIRST TEACHER. This TEACHER had several significant modifications and was more durable than other men and women. God made the TEACHER tough... but gentle, too. The TEACHER was equipped with soft hands to wipe away the tears of the neglected and lonely student. God poured in a generous amount of patience. And God gave the TEACHER a heart slightly bigger than the average human heart. And lastly, God gave the TEACHER an abundant supply of HOPE. When God finished creating the TEACHER, he stepped back and admired the work of His hands. And God smiled, for when he looked at the TEACHER, he saw into the future. He knew that the future is in the hands of the TEACHERS. And because God loves TEACHERS so much... on the 9th day God created... SNOW DAYS!

ROLL CALL—by Sign-In Sheet

- 0 State Founders
- 9 Past State Presidents
- 5 Officers (Elected and Ex-Officio) and substitutes
- 5 Chapter Presidents (20 Voting)
- 5 Substitutes for Chapter Presidents
- 6 Committee Chairs/Representatives or their substitutes

QUORUM—It was reported by Parliamentarian Lorayne Trask (Eta) that we had a quorum.

APPROVAL/ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA—President Kathy Patton (Beta Beta)

A motion was made by Phyllis VanBuren (Eta) seconded by Nancy Welken (Beta Beta) to accept the agenda.
MOTION PASSED.

INTRODUCTION OF INTERNATIONAL GUEST: Barbara Whiting, Member-at-Large, DKG International

RECORDING SECRETARY’S REPORT—Michelle Dahlby (Mu),

The minutes of the Fall Executive Board Meeting and the Winter Executive Committee Meeting were posted on the website. A motion was made by Carolyn Garvin, (Eta), seconded by Sally Nyhus, (Alpha Omega), to accept the minutes. **MOTION PASSED.**

TREASURER’S REPORT—Dianna Brusven (Alpha Meta)

- a. The report is in the booklet and in Dropbox.
- b. Receipts and Disbursements: As of April 25, we have \$39,095.03 in checking account.
- c. Savings Account: Seven saving accounts were reported; each is solvent, with a total of \$92,092.17.
- d. An anonymous donation of \$20.00 that honored Celi Turch was received.
- e. Money from dissolved chapters – Phyllis VanBuren (Eta) reminded everyone that this money should be sent to the Recruitment and Revitalization Funds.
- f. The Treasurer’s Report will be placed on file for audit.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT—Kathy Patton (Beta Beta)

The President’s report is in Dropbox.

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

The 1st Vice-President’s report is in Dropbox.

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

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE REPORTS are found in Dropbox.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT--Mary Snorek (Alpha Meta)

1. Mary Snorek (Alpha Meta) proposed at the October Executive Board Meeting replacing the database manager computer that is no longer functional. At that meeting there was discussion about the purchase and to use email as the means to voting. Mary moved to purchase a computer and appropriate software for the database manager's use. MOTION PASSED.

LEADERSHIP – Barbara Whiting (Beta Beta)

1. The Summer Women's Retreat will be held on June 24-25 at St. Ben's. The early registration cost is \$42.00 which includes meals and overnight accommodations. Revitalization money will be used to help underwrite costs.

PERSONAL GROWTH AND SERVICES - President Kathy announced that congratulations go to Carolyn Treadway for receiving the Outstanding Service Award.

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS – Nancy Welken (Beta Beta)

1. Nancy Welken inquired about raising the amount of the scholarship. Mary Snorek commented that Grant-In-Aid bylaws state that the scholarship may be awarded annually but is dependent on available funding. Dianna noted that if 20 chapters each contributed \$20.00 each, only \$400.00 would be raised, and that amount is not enough to cover one scholarship. President Kathy suggested that Nancy meet with her committee and discuss raising the scholarship amount. Barb Whiting also suggested simplifying the application process as the number of applicants has dropped.

COMMUNICATIONS – Marcia Essman (Alpha Meta)

1. Marcia announced that the 2014 Jeanette Fair Book Award for Adult Literature winner is Connie Claire Szarke for her book, *Delicate Armor*.

SCHOLARSHIPS – Mary Kay Feltes (Beta Alpha)

1. Mary Kay has reformatted the scholarship information and placed it on the Tau State website. There have been nine complete responses. Huoda Elgohwagi was awarded the Bernice Gestie Scholarship.

PROGRAMMING – Diane Wippler (Kappa)

1. Chapter programming has been posted on Tau State website and Diane asked for input on the best way to use the programming information she has gathered from chapters.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. State Bylaws – Barb Muellerleile (Nu) Still awaiting International committee approval.
2. Legislative Seminar – Sally Nyhus (Alpha Omega) thanked everyone for the opportunity to attend and showed a power point of seminar highlights.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Recruitment Money to be used to offset chapter recruitment costs – Phyllis VanBuren (Eta) moved that during this biennium chapters may be reimbursed up to 20% of recruitment expenses to a maximum of \$200.00 with this reimbursement being retroactive to June 2013. Jan Sorell (Eta) seconded. President Kathy would like to form a committee to review applications. MOTION PASSED.
2. Voting Proposal – President Kathy related that a proposed change to delegate voting will be introduced at International Convention in regards to individual membership voting. Discussion included questions about cost of voting and of states with large membership being overrepresented.
3. Dissolution of Alpha Gamma Chapter – Delores Fletcher (Alpha Meta) moved to accept dissolution with regret. Mary Snorek (Alpha Meta) seconded. MOTION PASSED WITH REGRET. Mary Snorek asked that the membership list be given to Alpha Meta to contact any members who may wish to continue their membership.

4. Dr. Beverly Helms Honorarium – Phyllis VanBuren (Eta) stated that \$25.00 has been traditionally donated. Robbie Johnson (Sigma) moved to donate \$25.00 to honorarium. Jean Rolle (Alpha Meta) seconded.
MOTION PASSED.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/GOOD NEWS

ADJOURNMENT

President Kathy Patton (Beta Beta) declared the meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, July 28 – Friday, August 1, DKG International Convention, Indianapolis, IN

Saturday, October 4, 2014 (Time and place to be determined) - Tau State Executive Board Meeting

Michelle Dahlby
Recording Secretary

Kathy Patton
Tau State President