

**THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY
INTERNATIONAL**

**TAU STATE WINTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
GOTOMEETING**

FEBRUARY 1, 2014

Call to order: President Kathy Patton called the winter executive committee meeting to order on February 1, 2014, at 1:08 p.m.

WELCOME: President Patton thanked everyone for their support and suggestions.

ROLL CALL: (from the names on the screen to verify presence)
President Kathy Patton, 1st Vice-President Sally Nyhus, Treasurer Dianna Brusven, Secretary Michelle Dahlby, Parliamentarian Lorraine Traut, and Immediate Past-President Dr. Phyllis Van Buren were present.

INSPIRATION: The Inspiration was given by President Patton. She read about characteristics found in great leaders such as an awoken mind, leading by example, and never giving up on someone.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: The agenda was approved by consensus of the executive committee members.

SECRETARY'S REPORT –Michelle Dahlby: Minutes from the October meeting are posted on the state website and will be approved at the 2014 conference.

TREASURER'S REPORT—Dianna Brusven: See report.

1. The treasurer's report was sent to the president. As of 12/31/13 the checking account balance is \$45, 618.19.
2. The current membership total is 482 members.
3. The treasurer needed the general session minutes from Spring 2014 to list the newly elected slate of officers for banking purposes. After review by the executive board, the general session minutes will be corrected to list the complete slate of officers.
4. The treasurer provide clarification of the old Speaker Fund account. It has been renamed the Recruitment and Revitalization Fund and is used for recruitment grants to chapters. Grants for special recruitment projects can be awarded from this fund as well.
5. Voucher should be sent to President Patton and then to the treasurer for payment.
6. The fee for new initiates is \$10.00 per person and form 18 is needs to be completed for each initiate.
7. The treasurer's report was accepted and filed for audit.

OFFICERS' REPORTS: (In Dropbox)

President's Report and Vice Presidents' Reports: See Dropbox

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS: Most reports are in the Dropbox sent electronically to executive committee members.

Nominations—Kate Pearson: After review of nominations form, it was noted that the position of corresponding secretary should be removed as that is an optional position and was recommended to delete that position at the 2013 convention.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Annual Reports (President's and Necrology):

These reports from the chapter presidents and chapter membership chairs were due February 1, 2014. Please get them to President Patton (president's report and necrology report) and Marge Bates and Rosalie Huston (necrology report). Chairs are reporting their difficulty is receiving reports. President Patton will remind all chapters to submit reports as quickly as possible to appropriate chairs.

2. Representative to Legislative Seminar – As no other member had submitted an application by the November 1, 2013 deadline, according to the Standing Rules and By-laws, Vice President Sally Nyhus was awarded the \$500.00 stipend to attend the seminar.

3. Standing Rules and By-laws Review – President Patton reported that Jeanette Karjala, chair of the rules committee, submitted the revised rules and by-laws to International and is awaiting approval by the International Standing Rules Commimittee.

4. New Officer Training – Past President Van Buren suggested a mid May date with the times from 9-2 p.m. Diana Brusven suggested treasurer training in the morning with leadership training for other officers. It was suggested that both vice presidents assist with training. Phyllis Van Buren reminded everyone that each chapter has a Go to Guide and could use it for the training. Lorryayne Traut offered to assist with parliamentary procedures. Revitalization money was suggested to be used to purchase additional guides as needed.

5. Summary of Councils: President Patton will post the summaries to the website in February.

NEW BUSINESS:

Metro Focus Group: President Patton has met with presidents from the seven metro area chapters to share common concerns and membership ideas. The group will meet again on Feb. 15th. They have discussed sharing programming and contact information. Alpha Meta members would like to be included as they may attend programs.

Tau State Conference: Holiday Inn, Duluth, April 25-27, 2014. The conference report, submitted by Chair Diane Wippler, was reviewed.

3rd Annual Revitalization Retreat: June 24-26, St. Benedict's in St. Joseph, MN. President Patton proposed using revitalization money to reduce costs for early registrations to encourage members to attend. She will pursue this as she reviews housing and meal costs.

International Convention: July 28-August 3, in Indianapolis, Indiana. Tau State supports Dr. Phyllis Van Buren's candidacy for the North West Regional Director position. President Patton suggested that convention attendees may want to car pool to Indianapolis.

Announcements/Good News: President Patton is expecting a new grandchild.

Adjournment:. President Kathy Patton declared the meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m.