

TAU STATE BOARD MEETING SATURDAY OCTOBER 5, 2013

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

Glenville Activity Center
14600 Minnetonka Blvd., Minnetonka, 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 5th, 2013, at 9:00 a.m.

SONG - President's Theme Song—Sally Nyhus (Alpha Omega)

INSPIRATION - Toni Chipka (Alpha Rho)

The Inspiration was from "*Echo of Life*" by Alex Pattakos. The echo shows us that our lives are simply a reflection of our actions. Life will give back to us everything we give to it.

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

A motion was made by Carolyn Garven (Eta), seconded by Sally Nyhus (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:

- 0 State Founders
- 7 Past State Presidents
- 5 Officers (Elected and Ex-Officio)
- 14 Chapter Presidents (21 Voting)
- 0 Substitutes for Chapter Presidents
- 11 Committee Chairs/Representatives or their substitutes

Members present:

Jane Brueske, Mary Jo Burns, Toni L. Chipka, Michelle Dahlby, Stephanie Durand, Mary Kay Feltes, Lucy Garrity, Carolyn Garven, Marj Germscheid, Laurie Huston, Rosalie Huston, Robbie Johnson, Dr. Jeanette Karjala, Kim Moen, Lois Nordling, Sally Nyhus, Kathy Patton, Kate Pearson, Pat Peterson, Cory Peters, Ruth Ranum, Dr. Diane Rauschenfels, Dr. Melanie Reap, Judy Rohde, Jean Rolle, Mary Snorek, Sue Stokke, Myrna Strand, Lorryne Traut, Ann Vanvick, Nancy Welken, Barbara Whiting, Diane Wippler

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

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT—Sally Nyhus (Alpha Omega), Interim

The minutes of the Spring Executive Committee Meeting were posted on the website. A motion was made by Diane Rauschenfels (Kappa), seconded by Jeanette Karjala (Alpha Meta) to accept the minutes as printed. **MOTION PASSED.**

TREASURER'S REPORT—Dianna Brusven (Alpha Eta) with Mary Snorek (Alpha Meta) assisting

- a. The report is in the booklet.
- b. Mary Snorek 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.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT--Mary Snorek (Alpha Meta)

- 1. The annual audit is complete.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT—Kathy Patton (Beta Beta)

The President's report is in the Dropbox. Lorryne Traut will serve as Parliamentarian (Eta)

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

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

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

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

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE REPORTS are the Dropbox.

PROGRAMMING - Diane Wippler (Kappa) reminded members to send programming ideas to her to be compiled.

LEADERSHIP – Barb Whiting (Beta Beta) is the leadership development chair and announced the dates for the Summer Retreat on June 24-25, 2014. St. Ben's is the preferred location. The theme is "Women Moving Forward, Learning, Growing, Leading."

MEMBERSHIP – Kim Kusler (Mu) is looking for committee members.

NOMINATIONS – Kate Pearson (Mu) is looking for committee members.

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

PERSONAL GROWTH AND SERVICE – Cory Peters (Beta Alpha) highlighted the January 15th, 2014, deadline for submissions for the Outstanding Volunteer Award.

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS – Nancy Welken (Beta Beta) gave January 15th, 2014 as the deadline for scholarship applications. Forms have been updated and are available on Tau State website.

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

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

NORTH STAR NEWS – Robbie Johnson (Sigma) is looking for a person to mentor as a new editor is needed in 2014.

HISORTICAL RECORDS – Myrna Strand (Alpha Nu) reminded members that our records are available at the MN Historical Society.

ADDITION TO THE AGENDA – Data base computer crashed, so Mary Snorek (Alpha Meta) suggested forming an ad hoc committee with a finance committee member, 2nd V. P. Ann Vannick (Alpha Kappa), and Laurie or Rosalie Huston (Alpha Rho) to review replacement options.

Finance committee chair, Mary Snorek (Alpha Meta) moved to appoint an ad hoc committee to secure three bids for a new database computer and software. Purchase may be made through electronic approval of the Executive Board. Under discussion, Robbie Johnson (Sigma) suggested 3 bids for a new computer and software. President Kathy Patton appointed the following members to the ad hoc committee: Robbie Johnson (Sigma), Rosalie Huston (Alpha Rho), Ann Vannick (Alpha Kappa), and Mary Snorek (Alpha Meta).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Convention 2013 Report – Myrna Strand (Alpha Nu) submitted a summary report to Diane Rauschenfels (Kappa) and to the Dropbox.
2. Standing Rules and Bylaws - Jeanette Karjala (Iota) reported that the standing rules and bylaws are posted on the website and available to download soon.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Dissolution of Alpha Pi - Carol Stockman (Alpha Pi) sent a letter and has submitted remaining chapter funds to Dianna Brusven, state treasurer. Cory Peters (Beta Alpha) moved to accept the dissolution of Alpha Pi Chapter with regret. Sally Nyhus (Alpha Omega) seconded motion. **MOTION PASSED**
2. Chapter Rubric is available in the Dropbox for members to review.
3. Northwest Regional Conference – Carolyn Garven (Eta) moved that Tau State endorse the nomination of Dr. Phyllis Van Buren (Eta) for the position of NW Regional Director for the 2014 - 2016 biennium. Sally Nyhus (Alpha Omega) seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED with unanimous vote of support.**
4. New Officer Training Date – There was discuss that many chapters will not have new officers in place if the training date is scheduled before June.
5. 2015 Convention Location - Michelle Dahlby (Mu) moved to hold the 2015 Convention at the Sanford Center in Bemidji. MN, as recommended by the conference/convention committee. Ann Vanvick (Alpha Kappa) seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**
6. Update on the 2014 Conference – Diane Wippler (Kappa) and Diane Rauschenfels (Kappa)

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highlighted their new members who are involved in planning and will be presenting at the small group sessions.

7. National Legislative Seminar on March 16-19, 2014 – Cory Peters (Beta Alpha) relayed information about seminar speakers. Sally Nyhus (Alpha Omega) requested a Tau State grant of \$500.00 to attend the seminar. Sally Nyhus will provide a letter for the request. Barb Whiting (Beta Beta) moved to send Sally Nyhus to the 2014 Legislative Seminar with a \$250.00 grant. Jeanette Karjala (Iota) seconded. MOTION PASSED. Information about the seminar is available at deltakappagamma.org/US-Forum/index.html.
8. Committee Councils:
 - Delta Council:** (Leadership) Sally Nyhus, Diane Wippler, Barbara Whiting, Myrna Strand, Lois Nordling, Jane Brueske, Melanie Reap, Diane Rauschenfels, Cory Peters, Pat Peterson, Kim Moen, Nancy Welken
 - Kappa Council:** (Society Business) Ann Vanvick, Rosalie Huston, Kate Pearson, Jeanette Karjala, Lorraine Traut, Mary Snorek, Toni Chipka, Carolyn Garvin, Mary Jo Burns
 - Gamma:** (Communication) Roberta Johnson, Ruth Ranum, Marj Germscheid, Michelle Dahlby, Laurie Huston, Mary Kay Feltes, Judy Rohde, Sue Stokke, Jean Rolle, Lucy Garrity

ANNOUNCEMENTS/GOOD NEWS

Robbie Johnson and Ruth Ranum (Sigma) shared information about Little Libraries that are in memory of Barb Merrill.

Recognition of Past Presidents in attendance: Lorraine Traut 1981-1983, Jean Rolle 1993-1995, Jeanette Karjala 1999-2001, Robbie Johnson 2003 -2005, Mary Snorek 2005-2007, Diane Rauschenfels 2007-2009, Cory Peters 2009-2011.

Robbie Johnson (Sigma) reminded members of the Oct. 8th deadline for submissions for the *North Star News*. Adult fiction book submissions are due Nov. 15th and the Outstanding Volunteer Award nominations are due Jan 15th, 2014.

Member Ann Harden is living at an assisted living facility, Walker Place, and President Patton has her address for anyone who would like it. President Patton also announced that the DKG Education Foundation is celebrating 50 years and will award \$1000.00 to projects. Forms for submission are found on the International website. Reserve members will receive a red shawl from President Patton and friends and will include words of comfort.

Both Mu and Nu chapters have websites. Door prize winners of the book, *Lean In*, by Sheryl Sandberg were Michelle Dahlby (Mu) and Kate Pearson (Mu).

Sigma chapter's new president is Lucy Garrity. Stephanie Durand (Beta Beta) has a new position at St. Ben's and is publishing her dissertation. Ann Vanvick (Alpha Kappa) has a new grandchild.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Robbie Johnson (Sigma) and Dianne Wippler (Kappa) to adjourn. President Patton (Eta) declared the meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tau State Executive Committee Meeting – February 2014, with time and day to be determined.

Michelle Dahlby
Secretary

Kathy Patton
Tau State President