

Delta Kappa Gamma
Lambda Kappa Chapter
February 8, 2018
Minutes

This meeting was held at Hickory Corral.

Members present: Pat Souriall, Elaine West, Janet Robb, Clara Lynch, Anne Allen, Ann Sundquist, Marcia Barren, Carrie Cassata, DiAnn Suggs and Annette Bopp

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm after enjoying our bbq dinner

Invocation was given by Pat Souriall.

Visitor Introduction – 2 visitors were unable to attend this meeting

Minutes – The motion to approve the minutes was made by Ann and seconded by DiAnn. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report – There were questions about the Treasurer's report. Janet explained that the bank started charging a fee when the balance fell below a set amount. To prevent the account from being accessed any further fees, Janet put \$500 of her own money into the bank. If Janet ever needs to retrieve her \$500, the Chapter will motion to refund Janet her money and vote to approve the motion; allowing Janet to write herself a check. If anything should happen to Janet, the Chapter will return the money to her family. This was agreed upon by everyone present.

Old Business

Montgomery County Youth Update – Clara talked about what a humbling experience it was when she delivered the towels and duffle bags to MCYS. They were very appreciative of the items. We did receive a thank you card from them.

New Business

Scholarship Nominees – Carrie moved to give the scholarship every other year to help maintain the bank balance. Last year went to a Magnolia West student so in 2019 the scholarship would go to a Montgomery ISD student. Ann seconded this motion.

Janet then moved to give money to a first year teacher instead of a high school senior that may change their major before graduating and not become a teacher after all.

Carried withdrew her motion and discussion was held on Janet's motion. We discussed giving money to a new teacher or teachers in the amount of what the Chapter could afford. We could determine recipient(s) for the "Thank You for Becoming a Teacher" Award by asking Principals for names. We could then present the amount during a faculty meeting so that more teachers can learn about Delta Kappa Gamma. DiAnn seconded this motion. The motion was passed to give money to a new teacher or teacher(s) each year in the amount the Chapter can afford and discontinue giving a \$500 scholarship to a graduating high school senior.

Old Business Continued

State Convention – The State convention will be held in Waco this year. We will be reserving one room to share. Janet, Patty, DiAnn and Clara expressed interested in attending this year. Janet will stay at her sister's house.

Annie presentation: This is to be a power point/slide show. There will not be an award, just a presentation to be shown. We will work on this at our next meeting at DiAnn's house for the weekend retreat.

Registration information for the Convention can be found in the State Newsletter.

TRS update - DiAnn informed us about Dr. Werner from TRS holding a session on February 26th at 5:30 at the Jett Center in Conroe.

Program – Carrie presented information on a program near and dear to her heart: "Capturing Kids Hearts". This program was started in 1994 and has grown since then. Carrie has been trained and travels across the US conducting trainings sessions to 50-60 teachers at a time on how to help improve students' learning by "Capturing their hearts". The trainings are 2 days long, eight hours each day. We each received a training book and briefly experienced some of what she does during a training session, including watching a video that is part of the curriculum. The program sounds absolutely wonderful and is definitely applicable outside the classroom as well.

Our next meeting will be held at DiAnn's house April 14th – 15th.

The meeting was adjourned.