The February 6, 2021 meeting of the Gamma Omega Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International was called to order at 9:32a.m., by President Janet Allphin. The meeting was held on Zoom due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. Janet thanked the Bellville members for hosting the meeting. She also asked for anyone who has news to share it with Lou for the Focus. The Collect was led first, due to computer problems, by Lori Jackson. The Mission Statement was then read by Sharon Spiess. The Pledges were led by Carolyn Golan, and the Meditation was presented by Cheryl Pritchett. The Prayer was then said by Carolyn Golan.

Society Business

Sharon Spiess reported that there were 27 members present today online with Zoom. The December minutes were emailed to everyone by Recording Secretary Carol Ogg. Trudy Holland noted that the proper spelling of the Scholarship winner's name was Emily Harmel. The minutes were then approved. The Correspondence Secretary, Yvonne Wait, read one note of thanks from Janet Allphin. The Treasurer's report was then presented by Trudy Holland and was approved to be filed for audit. Trudy also added that our yearly dues could be mailed to her at any time but are due by June 1st. She also reported that our "Lend a Hand" Award was given to the "CASA for Kids Rainbow Room" In Brenham.

Committee Reports

Lori Jackson reported for the Program Committee. She said today's program was "Be Heart Smart" and was being presented by the Bellville members. A Texas Trivia Game will be presented by the Lee County members next month so study up on your Texas Facts. In April the program will be the Founder's Day presentation.

The Scholarship Committee reported that Emily Harmel had been given \$1500 as the winner of the scholarships. Carolyn Golan then gave the report for Global Awareness. In 1997, UNICEF had started the Schools for Africa program. Delta Kappa Gamma supports the organization and if you would like to donate to it, please do so by April. You are welcome to combine it with your dues when you send it to Trudy. Please include a note with how much you are donating. Our donation will be sent to them in April.

Adriana Mendoza reported for the Membership Committee. She welcomed our 2 new members and thanked them for joining us. Please be thinking of new people to nominate.

Unfinished Business

The Convention in Denton is scheduled for June 17 to 19. Reserve your room now. Please let Trudy know if you are planning on going. The Convention in July is scheduled to be in San Antonio.

"Operation We Care" updates were presented. Trudy said her group was doing "You are the Heart of LISD" along with chocolate hearts. She will share their template. Another group is planning on baking cakes and taking them to the schools for the teachers to enjoy a special dessert.

New Business

February is ASTEF giving month. There is a form on the state site that you can fill out and mail in your donation. The Area 7 Coordinator, Carole Lowe, joined us in our Zoom meeting and spoke with us about the upcoming events. The Program was presented by the Bellville members. They taped it when they were together and it was shared to all of us. It was very informative and a great presentation.

Announcements

The next meeting will be March 6, 2021. Replies go to Trudy Holland.

Adjournment

The drawing for the door prizes was held. The gift card by Cheryl Pritchett was won by Kathleen Lackey and the gift card from Sharon Spiess was won by Trudy Holland. The motion for adjournment was made by Lizzi and seconded by Shelley.

Carol Ogg Janet Allphin Recording Secretary President