Meeting Minutes, August 7, 2021

The August 7th meeting of the Gamma Omega of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International was called to order at 9:35 a.m., by President Lori Jackson. Lori welcomed everyone in person and thanked the Waller area members for hosting our meeting. The Mission Statement was read by Carol Ogg. The Pledges were led by Sally English. The Collect was read by Mary Ann Wiesner. Lillian Knapheide presented the Meditation and Merilyn Godwin said the Prayer.

Society Business

Clipboards were placed on the front table for updates. Merilyn Godwin announced that we had 33 members present and 1 guest. Carol Ogg, Recording Secretary, emailed the April minutes. Corrections were noted and the minutes were approved. Yvonne Wait, Corresponding Secretary, presented letters from 4 members. Stephanie Koehler and Ada Salgado wrote letters explaining why they could no longer be in Delta Kappa Gamma. Elizabeth Latimer wrote a letter asking to become a reserve member. Janet Allphin wrote a card about having to leave due to health and personal reasons. Heather Smith motioned that we accept the 2 members dropping out and 1 member being moved to a reserve member, and Mary Ann Wiesner seconded the motion. Trudy Holland, Treasurer, presented the treasurers report and it was approved to be filed for audit.

Committee Reports

Programs were reported on by Lori Jackson. The Delta Kappa Gamma Service Project for 2021-2022 will be Focusing Families.

August – School supplies

October – Baby toiletries, diapers, wipes, diaper bags, onesies, blankets, etc.

November – Baskets for the caregivers and staff. This will be a gift in appreciation to those who work so hard to help these families. More information will be given out.

December - Pajamas for kids and moms. Can be new or gently used.

February – Kitchen and Bathroom towels.

March – Sheets and pillows for twin beds. Can be new or gently used. New pillows only.

April – Personal hygiene items for children and moms.

In November there will be a speaker/presenter from Focusing Families.

There was a motion by Cheryl Pritchet and seconded by Carole Fry to approve this project.

Linda Pinkerton and Trudy Holland reported for the Finance committee. We now have 84 active members, 6 reserve, and 2 honorary. The report was reviewed and it was voted to put the Brass Fund into the Grant-in-Aid fund. There was a motion by Anna Breddin and seconded by Carolyn Golan to accept the Finance Report.

Adrianna Mendoza reported for the Membership Committee. The goal will be to get new members. All chapters are having a hard time keeping members. We were encouraged to bring new members.

Lori Jackson and Trudy Holland reported on the Convention. They went to several workshops and had a wonderful time. Lori would like everyone involved and to go back to the convention in June.

Unfinished Business

Birthdays will be honored each month. August and September birthday members were honored with candy. The members who are still teaching were also honored.

Mary Keienburg reported on bylaws. She has copies available and pictorial directories available. She encouraged us to please look at the website and check it out!

The next meeting will be October 2, 2021, at 9:30 am at St. Paul's, Phillipsburg. Please send replies to Bertha Upshaw.

Cheryl Pritchett did the spotlight for members who are actively teaching. Sharon Spiess, Bellville, 51 years! Adrianna Mendoza, Caldwell member, 2nd grade teacher, and Christina Godfrey, Waller member, 1st grade teacher, 21st year teaching.

The drawing for door prizes, given by Evelyn Turlington, was won by Cheryl Pritchett and the Perfect Attendance was won by Lori Jackson.

The meeting ended by us all joining hands and singing the Delta Kappa Gamma Song.

Carol Ogg, Recording Secretary

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Lori Jackson, President

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