Delta Sigma Meeting September 23, 2019 Minutes

Members present: Edwina Beam, Frankie Beam, Elaine Boysworth, Pat Carpenter, Jenny Dellinger, Kennan Eaddy, Libby Fletcher, Kellie Goins, Nelva Goodson, Rhonda Hager, Sherry Hoyle, Jennifer Huskey, Donna Jolley, Judy Jones, Brenda Kinney, Sara Miller, Wendy Mosteller, Heather Myers, Gayle Reid, Kristen Reynolds, Laurie Sellers, Judy Shuford, Renee Smith, Cindy White, Kay Wilson, Kelly Withrow, Sheila Wright and Linda Yoder Guest: Teresa Cowan, NC DKG President

Inductees in Attendance: Mary Beth Avery, Shelby Barkley, Casey Bridges, Kqisha Dagenhart, Melissa Dellinger, Lori Haight, Stacy McClain, Abbey Parker, Kelton Stone, and Alycen Wilson

Heather Myers greeted members and inductees

Kristen Reynolds provided the invocation and asked for a special moment of silence to remember our Delta Sigma sister Annette Geymont who passed away this past weekend.

The meeting was hosted by Membership and Educational Law and Policy.

New members for Delta Sigma were presented by Kristen Reynolds. Teresa Cowan, Rhonda Hager and Kennan Eaddy led the induction ceremony. New members signed the membership book, were given a DKG pin, received a certificate, and a red rose welcoming them into Delta Sigma.

Kennan Eaddy introduced the program speaker Sherry Hoyle, former Superintendent of Lincoln County Schools who worked her entire career in Lincoln County. The program topic was a Legislative Update. Sherry shared that the budget at the state level had still not passed. The Senate was again convening at 2:00 pm today. The state is operating with no budget even though we have lots of employees working each day. The retirement pay proposal was shared by Judy Jones. Sherry mentioned how sometimes items are slid into the budget bills at the last minute so stay tuned to the news. Other items mentioned were the percentage formula for School Grades is still at 80% proficiency and 20% growth. The 15 point scale for School Grades has been passed. Look for opportunities to advocate for education with legislators.

Rhonda Hager called the Business portion of our meeting into session at 7:10 pm.

NC DKG President Teresa Cowan shared information about her theme about, "Ready, Set, Grow." She shared with members, "If you focus on goals you may or may not hit goals, but if you focus on growth you will grow." Teresa mentioned that she joined DKG in 2015 and loves DKG and this state. She has spent lots of time researching NC DKG! She loved the Plus/Delta that Delta Sigma is doing at the Fashion Show. She also enjoyed reading about the Most Promising Young Educator award in our newsletter. She shared a DKG pencil with each member and asked us to market ourselves in the community using the pencil as a talking point. All members are charged to make a difference. Teresa shared about the NC DKG Convention on May 1-3 with the theme, "See how we grow."

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Rhonda reminded everyone about our bingo in the summer and Delta Sigma's plan to grow to Superior in Chapter Achievement which is 600 points. A few of the reminders are to submit articles and go to convention, etc.

Minutes from July Planning Meeting were shared electronically and on the table for reading. Brenda Kinney made a motion to approve and Jennifer Huskey seconded; the vote was called and the motion was approved to accept the minutes.

Proposed budget was shared by Laurie Sellers coming from the committee. It needed no second. The vote was called and the budget was approved.

Standing Rules were discussed. The membership voted to update the rules to reflect changes from International and Eta State. Two of these changes included changing initiation to induction and changing Eta State to NC DKG. Other changes included recognizing milestones years to 25 years and every 5 years afterwards, move digital membership to the Vice President, any member send notices of any deaths to the President, and move induction and dues to the spring. Additional changes were mentioned about Section D in Article IV Finances to change July 1 to Oct 1 for International.

Beginning Teacher Support: Sheila Wright shared the totes that were distributed to BT1's in September and Edwina Beam shared the Cups full of Cheer that were distributed to BT2's. Apple with caramel dip will be distributed to BT's in October. Knobs Creek is donating the apples for this project.

Membership Committee: Brenna Kinney and Kristen Reynolds shared their excitement about the new members.

Educational Law and Policy Committee: These co-chaired were recognized for their leadership in Dancing with the Stars.

Scholarship: Sara and Judy shared that Annette Geymont always advocated for new teachers and for scholarships for high school seniors going into teaching.

Communications: Elaine Boysworth shared that Jennifer Luper is needing any information and pictures for the next newsletter. Jenny Dellinger has updated the website.

November 2 event with Gamma Beta Chapter is at the Tryon Equestrian Center and is a Fall Fashion Show. Tickets are \$35.00.

Kennan shared information about the Fashion Show. Many thanks were given to Cindy, Nelva, and Donna for the wonderful job coordinating. This year's goal is to have 100% participation.

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Set-up will be April 3rd and Fashion Show will be April 4th. More information will be coming out about this event.

Tammy Price has resigned from Delta Sigma but hopes at some point to rejoin.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by Frankie Beam