

**Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Alpha Psi State, Maine
Executive Board Meeting
Friday, April 27, 2018
Bangor Hilton Garden Inn**

Head Table Introductions: Jennifer Kirchoff, Epsilon welcomed us and led us in saying grace.

Call to Order: President Elaine Hendrickson called the meeting to order at 7:09 P.M.

Collect: Second Vice-President Mary Hyland lead us in the recitation of the Collect.

Thought: First Vice President Donna Kennison remarked that things change in Education and the hot topic currently is Proficiency Based Learning. In her research she found that not everybody is doing it the same way. There are many pros and cons to it. It is important to remember the needs of the community you serve and to adapt. DKG is not so different. We have to adapt and remembering the words that Annie Webb Blanton wrote a long time ago will help us “ Be progressive. Keep with the moving world while not discarding what in the old has value. But, don’t cling to the old when its worth has passed. Don’t be a person so set in your views that nothing can change you.” Donna also reminded us that our DKG Purposes would help guide us through this process of change and adaptation especially # 4. To initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators. We must advocate for education.

Report of the Registrar: Sharon Romanow reported that there were a total of 152 registrations, 47 for the Executive Board Dinner, 152 for the 75th Birthday Luncheon, and 111 for the Banquet and 94 for the Fellowship Breakfast and Celebration of Life Ceremony. There were also several registered first timers.

Roll Call: Recording Secretary Rachel Danner conducted the roll call:
State Officers: 9
Past State Presidents: 9
Chapter Presidents: 15

Action on Printed Minutes: The minutes from the October 20,2017 Fall Workshop Executive Board Meeting at the UMaine Hutchinson Center, Belfast were approved as corrected.

Correspondence: Corresponding Secretary Priscilla McFarland shared the following Correspondence:

1. Terry Azote Past President of Alpha Kappa State Connecticut wrote a note of good wishes for our 75th Anniversary Celebration to Georgene Coombs
2. Mary Ann Child, sister of Madelyn Linscott, sent a thank you note on behalf of Madelyn who was greatly appreciative for all the cards she received. Madelyn recently celebrated her 96 birthday.
3. Priscilla McFarland sent a sympathy letter to the brother of Wanda Callahan.

Report of the Treasurer: Treasurer Maureen Downs summarized her report from September 30, 2017 to March 31, 2018

Current balances:

Checking- \$ 22224.04

Clara Soule- \$4393.11

Permanent Fund- \$1523.24

Investment in CD- \$3000.00

Scholarship Fund- \$11,710.95

Investment in CD- \$10,615.07

Founders Fund- \$1166.35

Investment in CD- \$5000.00

Key Saver- \$9,768.45

Business Service Account/UBS Financial Services-\$216,641.11

Georgene Coombs, 75th Anniversary Committee Chair, welcomed our Special Guests. Nine Special Invitations were sent.

Linda Gustafson accepted the invitation but was unable to make it here because her plane was grounded in Virginia and she could not find a connection to Bangor. Linda is a DKG Alpha Psi Epsilon Chapter State Member. Linda was a librarian at Belfast Area High School. She served on many chapter committees as well as Alpha Psi State Music Chair. She currently resides in Williamsburg, VA. She sends her best wishes for our Supreme Celebration.

The second guest to accept our invitation is Pat Kubistal from Chicago, Illinois. She has visited Maine several times. She is a friend of Lorraine Bowdoin and has attended several NE Regional Events. She has conducted several workshops including a Leadership Training Seminar for our new officers.

Elaine Hendrickson invited all the NE Regional Presidents. Two have accepted: Bette Bridges, Massachusetts State President and Roberte Melanson, New Brunswick State President. Roberte's chapter and Elaine's Delta chapter have a rich history of meetings in both Canada and Maine. There are an additional 6 members who have come from New Brunswick with Roberte to share in our Supreme Celebration.

Carolyn Pittman, DKG International President brought greetings from International. She shared a video that can be found on the DKG. Org website. News from our 16 chapters from Elaine included 17 new members from across the state and 2-3 reinstated members, we are making progress. Alpha Chapter has 5 new members this year and Zeta will have 3 new members. According to Lorraine Bowdoin we have 35% of our membership attending this year's convention.

Committee Reports:

- a. **Scholarship Committee:** Report given by Debbie Hillman that there were 3 applicants this year. The complete report can be found in your folder. There are 3 members on the committee. The requests were # 1 for a scholarship as a first timer to the International Convention, # 2 for a scholarship from the Founders Fund for an individual leadership training project for students and # 3 for a Scholarship for curriculum assessment and instruction to become a trainer. The committee recommended Venise Philbrick for a \$500 award to attend International Convention, Lisa Quatrala for a \$500 award from the Founders Fund and Myrna Henderson for a \$1000 award from Scholarships. The Executive Board will act on these recommendations under new business.

- b. **S-T-R-E-T-C-H Workshop:** Mary Whitten, Co-chair stated that there were 10 more attendees this year than last year and the receipts totaled \$1600 and \$ 1427.81 was spent. The Keynote Speaker was an international guest, Dr. Sylvie Bastien-Doss. The complete report is in your folder. The next and third annual workshop is tentatively scheduled for March 16,2018.
- At leadership training today we raised \$50 for the Founders Fund and Pat Kubistal shared some of her goodies to help new leaders get organized. The State Nominating Committee is looking for suggestions for nominations for the next biennium especially for State Treasurer.
- c. **75th Anniversary Celebration Committee:** Georgene Coombs thanked everyone for their support in planning the Supreme Celebration. Georgene Coombs wanted everyone to realize that the funds came from the Roberta Rogers Fund. Roberta Rogers was an important woman who should be remembered for her deeds as a DKG member and what she left us for the work that we do. Georgene has included 3 documents in our folder that includes a biography of Roberta Rogers. She was one amazing woman. The second document is a thank you to all of you who made this celebration happen. The third document is an accounting of the funds requested from the Roberta Rogers Account: 1. \$3200 for chapters @200 per chapter to use as assistance to members attending Convention 2018, 2. \$831.34 for printing 50pg, 200 copies 75th Anniversary Booklet, 3. \$2000 for 160 commemorative beaded necklaces, 4. \$502 for 150 commemorative bracelets, 5. \$558 for Convention, registration, meals for 10 "special guests" and 2 "official photographers", 6. \$80 for 4 long stemmed red roses in bud vases delivered by chapters following convention to 4 "special members" unable to attend. The four women who received the rose vases are Sarah Chipman, Madelyn Linscott, Glennys Ryder and Mabel Desmond, 7. TOTAL Expenditures: \$7171.34
- d. **Communications/Publicity:** Elaine Hendrickson shared the new brochure designed by Kay Grindall, Communication Chair. There is a copy in each of our folders. 1000 copies were made to members to distribute to chapters to be used to recruit new members. There is also a copy in you folder of Kay's report from the Communications Committee.
- e. **World Fellowship:** Linda Hussey informed us that there would be brochures alongside the baskets to explain what World Fellowship does. In the past year 36 women from 27 countries on 5 continents were selected to receive \$100,000. Betty Bridges who is on the International World Fellowship Committee informed us that another \$100,000 was awarded to 10 new recipients and 10 were renewed.
- f. **Finance Committee:** Melanie Ruark presented the report of the Finance Committee Meeting held on April 7, 2018. The complete report is in your folder. The Roberta Rogers Fund earned \$1373.19 this quarter, giving the fund \$11,141.84. The committee reviewed President Elaine's proposed trip to Katahdin Woods and Waters for Alpha Psi members. Next the committee discussed the preparations for the 75th Anniversary Celebration. Nancy Ruark made a motion that up to \$7400 be taken from the Roberta Roger's fund for the Supreme Celebration. The motion was seconded by Beth Schultz and accepted unanimously by the members present. There was a discussion about the scholarship monies and how the amount is determined. The finance committee determined that they

would present a bylaw change in the coming year to read “Unless otherwise determined by the Executive Board in the fall of that year, the Scholarship award will be no less than \$1000.” In addition to this the recipient must be present at the luncheon for Spring Convention to accept the award and write an article for the spring edition of the Mainspring about what opportunities the scholarship provided her. The Finance Committee listed the items they would like the Roberta Rogers Fund to continue to offer. Finally the proposed budget for next year would result in estimated expenses of \$13,222.00 which is an increase of \$307.00 over last year. Subtracting the total estimated expenses of \$13,222 from the total estimated available income of \$28,614.87, we get \$691.97 less than 2017.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- a. President Elaine made a request to suspend Standing Rule, Banquet #4 for this year. Motion: I recommend the suspension of the Standing Rule, Banquet # 4 for this year, 2018, to be discussed at a later date made by Rena Kearney and seconded by Melanie Ruark passed unanimously.
- b. A motion by Dawn Macpherson-Allen to accept the Scholarship recommendations for the 3 applicants was passed.
- c. The proposed budget as well as the Finance Committee recommendations was accepted as amended.
- d. President Elaine explained the proposed trip to Katahdin Woods and Waters for Alpha Psi Members on June 27,28. It is a 2-day trip; you can do one day or two.

Announcements:

Dawn would like the people in the fashion show to come dressed to the meeting. There will not be enough time to change.

If you are not in the fashion show please wear your 75th anniversary shirt or any other one you may have. If you have not ordered a shirt and would like one Rena has offered to extend the ordering time as provided ordering forms.

Check with Rena about your part in the skit, remember your props.

Nancy announced that her husband Ted will entertain any gentleman in the Hospitality Room. He will have blueberry muffins.

Nancy invited everyone to the Viles Center in Augusta for the third annual Gamma Workshop. It will be next Saturday and the topic will be “ Bringing Social Studies Alive”. There will be 4 workshops going on at the same time.

Please check in your folder for the times chapter photos will be taken.

Dr. Dottie Martin will host a forum to talk about the proposed constitutional changes in the Hospitality Room from 3 to 4. Please come and share.

International President, Carolyn Pittman informed us that on April 29 and May 8 there would be a webinar about the proposed amendments please join if you can.

Invitation by Mu to the fall Workshop at the Hutchinson Center, Belfast on October 20, 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Rachel Danner, Recording Secretary

Elaine Hendrickson, President

