

Delta Kappa Gamma Alpha Sigma Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2023

President Donna Kida called the meeting to order at 9:13 AM CST in the media center at North Judson-San Pierre High School. Thirteen members **answered the roll call: What has been your favorite DKG activity?** Members attending were Donna Kida, Sheila Akers, Lauren Akers, Beth Cohagan, Sharon Henderson, Jody Arndt, Donna Rowe, Nila Beauchamp, Kathy Ward, Sharon Richie, Colleen McCarthy, Susan Christian, and State Liaison Marjorie Miller.

Jody presented the **opening thought** from Maya Angelou. The **Media Review** was presented by Susan Christian on the book titled *Educated* by Tara Westover. Refreshments were provided by Sheila and Lauren Akers.

Business Meeting Minutes from the Saturday, April 15, 2023, were presented by Beth Cohagan and Donna Kida. Sharon Henderson made the motion to approve the minutes. Lauren Akers seconded. Motion passed.

Lauren reported on the **treasurer's report.**

Schools in Africa has \$.08

Support for Early Career Educators has \$693.07

Grant-in-Aid has \$1,000.55

General Operating Fund has \$1,805.53

Total Account Balance has \$3,499.23

Dues Submitted for 22 Active members and 2 Reserve members paid

Form 990-N and Annual Report of Chapter Treasurer were submitted

Sheila moved to approve the treasurer's report. Nila seconded. Motion carried.

Standing Committee Reports:

Membership – The following members have submitted their resignation via email – they are Margaret Radtke and Sherry Lippelt. The following members have not yet submitted their dues: Lauren Tunis, Dorothy Nellans, Susie Norwich, Barb Slusher, and Judie Weitgenant.

Scholarship - Donna Rowe – The committee is working on adjusting the form for 2024.

Communication – The *Alpha Sigma News* was awarded an Honorable Mention Award from the state.

International Projects - Schools for Africa – Lauren Akers sent \$634.00 for our donation.

International Projects - Support for Early Career Educators - Sharon Richie asked for information for schools with new, first-year teachers. Argos has 3. Kankakee Valley does not have any. Please let Sharon Richie know if you know of any other new first year female teachers.

Rules - Sharon Henderson said there are no changes this year. There will be an influx of new changes next year with the convention. Our chapter's rules will update next year. Sheila Akers will send out updates to all the members.

Unfinished Business:

Project B.o.B -- Lauren will take your books. If you know of a place to take gently used books, please let Lauren know.

New Business

Sharon Henderson gave her report about the summer **convention** in Phoenix.

Susie Matzat brought back a lot of information including presenter poster and proposal from the **Executive Board Meeting**.

President Donna Kida told us about **the Janet O'Neal Seminar**. It will be in Evansville next year on November 16th, 2024. **The Fall Art Retreat** will be November 10 & 11, 2023 in Madison, Indiana.

Our **next meeting** will be at 9:00 AM CST on Saturday, November 11, 2023, at the Country Kettle, in Knox.

The Bake sale will be at Mark Bailey's Discount on Saturday, December 2, 2023.

We had two door prizes to award at the meeting. Susan Christian and Beth Cohagan received the door prizes. We passed the plate for the Schools in Africa support.

The **Closing Thought** was presented by Lauren Akers. It was a quote from B.B. King.

President Donna Kida **adjourned** the meeting at 10:04 AM CST.

The **program** was presented by Marjorie Miller, DKG Liaison. She brought greetings from the Leadership Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Cohagan

Recording Secretary