

## **Delta Kappa Gamma Lambda Chapter April 8, 2023 Minutes**

Members Present: Charlotte Betche, Patsy Chasteen, Vicki Hatton, Joe Anna Hibler, Karon McCubbin, Mary Lou Scales, Reonna Slagell Gossen, Marva Webb, Alexia White

Members Absent: Brenda Archer, Phyllis Hobbs, Carla Moore, Charlinda Olge, Marie Pool, Lynda Richert, Sharon Simmons, Becky Trent

Guests Present: Rylie Sparks, Burns Flat 8<sup>th</sup> grade English teacher; essay winner Ashton Elmore and parent, Lance Elmore

President White called the meeting to order and shared her “bumble bee”, Bee supportive. Karon McCubbin shared her Bee and passed the rose to Marva Webb. Karon shared “Bee kind” to Marva as she passed on the rose. President White shared a short devotional in support of the “Bee kind”. The secret of a lasting marriage is being kind. Breakfast was served.

Marva Webb introduced our essay winner and guests. Our essay committee, Mary Lou Scales, Marva Webb, and Becky Trent worked on reading through the submitted essays. Rylie Sparks had every student in her 8<sup>th</sup> grade English class write an essay. Our first place winner was Ashton Elmore, \$100 prize, and our second place winner was Giovante Ward, \$50 prize. Both are in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. We did not have any 7<sup>th</sup> grade submissions.

First place essay by Ashton Elmore: *What I wish my Dad knew*  
“Don’t you wish your parents knew you better and listened to you?” I am an introvert and included a detailed description of his introverted life. He then went on to describe what his makes him do such as go out with other kids, play basketball when he would rather play football and to try boxing. His dad would try to help him even though he will not listen to what he has to say. He concluded saying, “that his dad doesn’t know as much as he thinks he does”. He read the essay in quite a humorous tone.

Second place essay by Giovante Ward: (Giovante could not attend, Ashton read for us) “What I want my parents to know is that I work for a secret organization that develops futuristic technology and they want to control the world. I have developed a weapon that can create black holes in which the leaders were going to use to destroy the world. I need to tell my parents in order to prevent the end of the world.”

Lance Elmore thanked us for doing the essay contest and giving the chance for the kids to show themselves and their talent.

President White requested reading of the minutes and financial report. Vicki Hatton approved minutes as written; second by Mary Lou Scales. Joe Anna Hibler approved financial report; second by Marva Webb.

Unfinished business with Marva Webb making us aware of some boxes of items that we will need to discuss and that by laws need to be updated.

No new business. No committee reports. Becky Trent has had 2 deaths in her family; Marie Pool’s mother in law passed. President White commented on the great decorations for the meeting today done by Karon McCubbin and Charlotte Betche. Brenda Archer communicated to President White about a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader at Hammon who has Osteo Carcinoma and to keep that family in our thoughts and prayers.

Gamma State is June 2 – 3, 2023 in OKC at Embassy Suites. President White has registration forms available for us to complete. Brags were given with \$10 collected. Singing of the DKG song. Meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be September 9, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. located at Lucille’s Roadhouse in Weatherford.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Reonna Slagell Gossen