

Delta Kappa Gamma Lambda Chapter

October 12, 2020 Minutes

Members Present: Charlotte Betche, Patsy Chasteen, Vicki Hatton, Joe Anna Hibler, Reonna Slagell Gossen, Phyllis Hobbs, Lynda Richert, Marva Webb, Alexia White, Marie Pool

Members Absent: Brenda Archer, Melissa Knabe, Karon McCubbin, Charlinda Ogle, Mary Lou Scales, Sharon Simmons

Guests present: Karla Wedel (WTC Teacher Prep program) and Beth Richert (WTC Engineering program)

Breakfast food was prepared by Lucille's Roadhouse

President Marva Webb called the meeting to order; member Charlotte Betche led the invocation for breakfast referencing the Spirit of the Living God analogy.

Vice President Alexia White gave an update on the DKG Eboard meeting as she attended for President Webb. There will be three regional conferences in July, 2021 and the National conference in July, 2022. There will be an officer training next summer, but the date has not been set. Focus is on child abuse; voted for Beta Phi and Gamma Chapters dissolution; electronic voting will take place for Alpha Pi and Mu chapters dissolution at a later date. Dissolution was due to declining membership; other local chapters absorbed the remaining members. Lambda Chapter needs to make sure we pay dues or we risk being dissolved. The State conference will be June 4-5 in Norman, OK at the Embassy Suite Hotel. Chapters were encouraged to complete the application for the Chapter Red/Gold Award and to set up a booth for fundraising. Beth Schieber needs any type of local news for the newsletter. If chapters have been sending to World Fellowship, monies need to be sent directly to international on the link in DKG.org with FORM 43 and a check. The theme for the essay contest was presented, "Based on the changes you have experienced in education, how do you visualize education's best path to meet changing needs for you the student?" Member Betche and several others mentioned that the theme did not fall in line with the state standards and to please parallel the essay with the state standards in the future for more continuity.

President Webb reminded us to think about the Gold Award requirements as we look at our committee responsibilities and to make sure we are aware of our duties and to work with the other members.

Guests Marie Pool and Beth Richard from Western Oklahoma Technology Center presented the program on the Biomed and Engineering Program. The video presented to potential sophomores for recruitment to the Biomed and Engineering Program was played showing robotics and problem based lab activities. WTC STEM Academy Sophomore recruiting reaches out to 14 feeder schools as each of the schools can't afford to hire a teacher for just 1 or 2 specialized classes. WTC can meet that need and fill in the holes of the small rural schools. The students that come to WTC are typically the smart kids that fly under the radar. When attending WTC they find their "people" that think alike and their personalities come out. Biomed is unique as they make new friends from 14 other schools. The students may have been in a class that does not challenge them or it too easy at their home school and find out that there are other smart people out there like themselves and that they need to rise to the challenge. The classes get them ready for college and there are no discipline issues. Other short videos shown were on the Robot Competition in which students are to design and build robots to meet different challenges. Students do a lot of technical writing. The EDD capstone class is an engineering class where the students learn to identify the problem and work through to the prototype. The Biomed capstone is a semester long research project using the scientific method; the students find their problem the first semester and then do the research the next semester. Both do a presentation before an audience with their final projects. Communication skills are taught along with technical writing using a typical grading system.

September 2020 minutes discussed and approved as presented. Treasurer Melissa Knabe was not present so treasurers report will be presented at the next meeting.

Brag from members were given with each brag costing a \$1.

Meeting adjourned with President Webb challenging members to invite someone to the next meeting.

Next meeting is scheduled for November 14 at Lucille's Roadhouse.

Respectfully Submitted,
Reonna Slagell Gossen