

Delta Kappa Gamma Lambda Chapter

September 11, 2021 Minutes

Members Present: Patsy Chasteen, Joe Anna Hibler, Phyllis Hobbs, Karon McCubbin, Mary Lou Scales, Reonna Slagell Gossen, Marva Webb, Alexia White, Lynda Richert, Becky Trent

Members Absent: Brenda Archer, Charlotte Betcher, Vicki Hatton, Charlinda Ogle, Marie Pool, Sharon Simmons, Melissa Knabe

Guests present: State Representative Anthony Moore, Carla Moore

Meeting was called to order by President Webb. First Vice President Alexia White opened devotions with a personal story from September 11, 2001 to remind us that people need to have love in their hearts with reference to John 15:16, I John 4:20 and Proverbs 12. President Webb introduced our guest speaker State Representative Anthony Moore and his mother, Carla Moore. Members enjoyed the morning breakfast provided by Lucille's.

Guest Carla Moore introduced her son, State Representative Anthony Moore. He graduated from Clinton Public Schools in 2000. His involvement with the high school legal team gave him his desire to go into law. He graduated from Oklahoma Christian University with Honors in 2004 and received his Juris Doctorate in 2007. He moved back to Clinton in 2013 and is very involved in the community serving in several areas such as Church of Christ Deacon, Cordell Christian Home Board, Clinton Public School Foundation, Lion's Club, and the Clinton Chamber of Commerce. He felt that you can do anything in Western Oklahoma and he wanted to give back to the community so he ran for office and currently serves as District 57 State Representative. He also serves on several committees and explained they are in session from February to May and the interim is utilized for preparation and research for the next year. He feels he is most proud of the several Bills in education that he has worked on. He has focused on ad valorem tax areas (wind farms, gas business) for our rural schools; i.e. what can we do to help our rural schools that do not have ad valorem money for building, etc? He and Representative Kyle Hilbert met and worked on Senate Bill 229 *Redbud School Funding Act* where no school will be left behind and affects 99.9% of small rural schools. Other areas he has been working on is trying to get people out to vote in the school board elections; K-12 education budget for teacher shortage; teacher ladders; dealing with EPIC; SB 658 exemptions for mask mandate for public and private schools; funding for closing the learning gap due to COVID; and finally the use of the LOFT office group to track funding and spending in education. Higher Ed funding will also be on his priority list for the next session. He encouraged communication with him so he will know how to help us in the future.

President Webb opened the business meeting reminding us of our goal this year; to be a gold chapter. The website was projected for members to see and walk through the different pages and updates. The new pages and new notebooks were distributed to members. All members were asked to complete the Society's Internet policy for digital communication form. These will be kept on file with the recording secretary and webmaster. The update on the DKG Bylaws and Standing Rules were presented. A motion was made by member Dr. Joe Anna Hibler to accept the current changes and to table the discussion on the Dues; member Karon McCubbin seconded. The newsletter "Lambda Luminescence" and the working Strategic Action Plan were reviewed and discussed. The committee assignments for the year were reviewed. The April minutes were reviewed; no treasurer's report. The Scrapbook from last year was presented and viewed by members; appreciation was extended to members Phyllis Hobbs and Patsy Chasteen for their incredible job on the scrapbook. Brags were given by several members.

Meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be October 9, 2021 at Lucille's Roadhouse.

Respectfully Submitted,
Reonna Slagell Gossen