

Minutes of the Beta Alpha Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma meeting held
September 9, 2011.

Call to Order:

President Dunn-Snow called the Meeting to order at 11:05 am

The agenda was handed out and approved Dr. Dunn-Snow welcomed everyone and introduced the officers, members, and new initiates. She presented each initiate with a rose candle and glass votive holder.

In attendance were: Dr. Peg Dunn-Snow, President Myrna Santos President elect, Nancy Wengren – Vice President, Sally Finley – Treasurer Betty Bunnell, Susan Teller, Dena Wolfisch, Jane Barcelo , *Dr. Sonia Rodriguez, *Lenora Walkes, *Marty Mc Lean * new member

The minutes of the May 17, 2011 meeting at the home of Beta Alpha member, Judy Zelinski. Dena Wolfich made the motion to accept the minutes as read. Motion passed unanimously

Correspondence

There was no correspondence read due to Elaine Burn's absence from the meeting. All present thanked Elaine for the beautiful hand made birthday cards she has sent to members throughout the year.

Treasurer's Report

There was no treasurer's report given. The proposed budget for 2011-2012 that was sent out to the members prior to this meeting was not available for a vote at this meeting. The proposed budget will be sent out to the members via email prior to the next business meeting in November. The proposed budget will be voted and approved at that meeting. Members were reminded to pay their dues for this year by the October deadline

Audit Committee

The committee chair, Jane Barcelo reported the committee receiving and approving the end- of- the- year financial report for 2010-2011 before it was submitted to International.

Membership Committee

The new International membership brochures and the new chapter brochures created by Dr. Dunn-Snow were distributed by committee chair, Susan Teller, to the members present. Our membership goal is to have 40 active members by September 2012. Nancy Wengren was thanked for making our membership name tags. Please remember to wear to tags to each meeting.

Nominating Committee presented

Committee chair, Nancy Wengren made a motion to accept the following slate of names for the chapter officers during the next chapter biennium. The slate was passed unanimously.

President: Myrna Santos

Vice President: Kathy Henderson

Recording Secretary: Jane Barceló

Corresponding Secretary: Elaine Burns

Nancy reported that President Myrna Santos will appoint the treasurer and committee chairs for her term of office.

Archives Committee

Co-Committee chair Susan Teller, reported that she and Glenda will get together with Sally to begin photographing the chapter scrapbooks this year.

Program Committee

Committee chair, Nancy Wengren, reported that the next meeting will be on October 11, 2011 at the Fort Lauderdale Public Library to hear a presentation by three local mystery authors who use Florida as a character in their books. Dinner is on your own before the meeting. Nancy will send out a list of local restaurants in the Evite for this meeting.

The cooking demonstration meeting, asked by members on the membership survey last spring, has been postponed until next February. Nancy asked for other venues for this meeting, as the Art Institute is under to director and is no longer offering demonstration meetings Nancy was given several suggestions by members. The November meeting will be held at Nancy's home, date TBA. Beta Alpha member Dr. Agnes Shine will give a presentation about her trip to India and Bangladesh where she gave a conference presentation on children diagnosed with autism. We will also have a next business meeting and a chapter initiation ceremony for those members who are present and who have not been officially initiated into DKG.

December Holiday Meeting is traditionally held in the chapter President's Home. It will be held on December 5 at Peg's

The January meeting will be the 3rd Annual Murder Mystery Luncheon for all Broward Chapters and hosted by Beta Alpha. If you are interested in being part of the cast see Sally.

Special Committees/Projects

Due to Judy Zelinski's absence, Peg reported that Judy will be searching for a new school this year to partner with Beta Alpha and its Storybook Literacy Project. We will continue to collect new and gently used storybooks at each meeting this year.

Old Business

Website releases were collected from new members

Members still need to send in a biographical sketch and a photo for the chapter website and for electronic display board for the District V Meeting next April. Judy will be creating a page for each member on the display board that will include their community service outside of DKG, their work as mentors to early career educators, as well as their involvement in DKG

New Business

Peg has set two president's goals for this year 1. To create a chapter strategic action plan (SAP) as mandated by Mu State and 2. Increase membership to 40 members by September 2012. Members will be receiving a survey in October asking for their chapter goals for the SAP. The SAP for Beta Alpha will be presented at the District V Meeting.

Beta Alpha Chapter is responsible for the table centerpieces at the District V meeting next April. They will be variation of the centerpieces created by Mary's students.

No one from Beta Alpha, except Peg will be attending the state Fall Workshop and Executive Board Meeting later this month. Members are encouraged to attend both state and international meetings. Myrna and Kathy will be encouraged to attend the state Leadership Training Seminar next summer. The proposed budget has earmarked money for their registration fees for this meeting.

Announcements

Prior to the meeting our meeting basket raffle was conducted and we raised money for the International World Fellowship Fund. At the end of the meeting members contributed Happy Dollars for the international Schools for Africa Project.

Chapter Directories will be updated and sent out to members electronically

Chapter Yearbook will be updated and posted on the chapter website in December

Meeting was adjourned at 11:36.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Barcelo – as recording secretary for Jeri Jo Florez