

Minutes

Kappa Chapter's October 2012 Meeting

SVGS - October 16, 2012

Twenty-three members of Kappa Chapter and special guest, Dr. Julia C. Van de Water, IOTA State President met Tuesday evening, October 16, 2012 at the SVGS in Fishersville.

Dr. Van de Water shared comments with us from IOTA Sisters relating to the International Conference held in New York in July. Their comments ranged from "fantastic" and "energizing" to "well planned" and "daunting". All of their comments seemed to center around being with others from around the world who share a passion for education.

Anne thanked the hostesses (Scarlett, Erica, Barbara) for the wonderful "goodies". She has flyers for DKG jewelry. E-mail Anne for order forms.

Dr. Julia C. Van de Water announced that at the IOTA State Executive Fall Board, Kappa Chapter received the "Gold Key" Award for 2011 - 2012.

Treasurer Repot: Bobbi reported that we have \$2,704.91 in the checking account. She collected dues from members for yearly dues. Bobbi said she would send out an e-mail reminder to those who have not paid. Dues need to be paid by October 31st. Dues are \$85.

Budget: Margaret presented the proposed 2012 -2013 budget. A motion was presented to accept the budget aw written. It was unanimously accepted by those present. \$258 was raised from the P.Buckley Moss print that was donated by Shirley.

Program: The schedule of Kappa Chapter meetings for 2012 - 2013 was presented and accepted by unanimous vote.

The minutes for the September meeting had been sent electronically. Paper copies of the September minutes were available. Anne asked for any changes. The minutes were accepted as written.

Membership: Membership cards were available at the meeting for pick up and applications for new members are due back to Kim Norman by the first week in November.

Legislative : Bea reported that she had coffee with Dickie Bell, hoping he would explain parts of the "Contract Bill" that would answer some of her questions and concerns. Unfortunately, Mr. Bell was not able to respond to Bea's concerns adequately. She suggested that the "temporary teacher" section of the bill be tightened up. Mr. Bell indicated that "all depends on the whim of the governor".

Yearbook: Betty asked that all changes to the yearbook be in to her by the beginning of November so that it will be ready by the November meeting.

New Business: The chapter was asked to endorse Susan Doughty for state officer. Susan has "put her hat in the ring" to be considered for an officer position at the state level. The discussion included cheers for Susan. A motion was presented to endorse her decision and was unanimously accepted.

Program: "A New York State of Mind" presented by Scarlett, Lynne and Anne; who all attended the International Convention in NY this summer.

Scarlett introduced the program with a power point accompanied by music. The purpose of the program was to inspire us to get involved in DKG above the chapter level.

Reasons to get involved:

make new friends / grow in the bond of sisterhood / listen to interesting speakers / learn something new to use in our personal or profession lives / enhance leadership skills / earn recertification points / travel to and explore new cities / shop / conduct society business / watch the behind the scenes working of the society /

The history of Kappa Chapters involvement at the state and national level was presented starting as early as 1949. In 1951 Kappa was one of the host chapters for the State Convention held at Ingleside.

Ways to get involved include:

attending Fall Boards / Leadership Seminars / State Conventions / Southeast Regional Conventions / International Conventions.

Lynne, Anne and Scarlett all related some of the experiences they had attending various conventions over the years. Lynne talked about painting 400 wooden tug boats for the 2005 Southeast regional Convention in Williamsburg and sharing a hotel room with perfect strangers. If you expect it to turn out well, it will; she stated.

Upcoming opportunities were presented as well as international projects.

IOTA State Convention - April 26 -28 in Richmond at the Holiday Inn Kroger Center

Southeast Regional Convention - July 2013 in Kissimmee, Florida

International - Convention July 2014 in Indianapolis, Indiana

International Projects: Training Teachers in Afghanistan and Schools for Africa

A new International project - Support for Early Career Education (mentoring new teachers) can be done mostly on the chapter level.

Suggestions: "LOOK ABOVE AND BEYOND" and Put the dates on your calendar early!

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary