DELTA KAPPA GAMMA KAPPA CHAPTER MINUTES SEPTEMBER 18, 2012

The September meeting was held at Shenandoah Valley Governor's School with 16 members attending and President Anne Perdue presiding. In the absence of treasurer, Bobbi Poats, Scarlett Kiser collected dues and donations to benefit the Downs-Ryerson Grant-in Aid.

Anne Perdue, Scarlett Kiser, and Lynne Carson attended the International Convention in New York City in June. They will give a full report at the October meeting. The theme for International this year is Sharing Our Vision, Strengthening Our Society. Anne mentioned several goals for our chapter this year: Getting member input for meetings, marketing ourselves to new teachers, and streamlining meetings.

Anne recognized and thanked Scarlett for her service to Kappa as president the past two years and said a donation would be made to the Downs-Ryerson Grant-in Aid in her honor at her request. She also presented her with a vase of fresh seasonal flowers.

Scarlett Kiser, new chair of Blue Ridge Coordinating Council thanked Shirley Crawford for her years of service as chair. She mentioned that the council met on August 25 at Shoneys in Staunton and approved the dissolution of Beta Nu. That leaves only four chapters in Blue Ridge Council. She would like to have a fun activity for the members in the fall or winter and a meeting to Honor our Own in the spring.

Anne remembered Martha Hamrick, a member of Kappa who passed away July 25, 2012. She was a member of Kappa since November 1972 and served as president for the 1982-84 term. She was retied from Lee High School as an English teacher.

Bev Wise resigned her position as First Vice-President of Kappa as well as her membership. Anne would like input from the membership to fill this position.

Committees met to plan for the year and develop goals for strategic action plan. After the work session, the following committees reported.

Program: A program is still needed for the March Meeting since our auction last year only raised \$400. We either need to raise more money or give a smaller grant-in aid than \$1,000. Anne asked for someone to volunteer to contact the school counselors to get candidates for the Downs Ryerson Grant-In-Aid.

Since we did not have a quorum, we could not approve the programs or the budget.

Membership: Kim Norman handed out membership questionnaires as well as membership recommendations forms. She said they would like to have 5 nominees for membership this year.

Music: Dee Hoy was the only member of her committee present and she said she would meet with them later.

Publicity: Scarlett will work with the media and on the chapter website. She mentioned we got International Link Seal approval.

Rules: Shirley Crawford was the only member of her committee present, but she said they would work on getting our rules aligned with state.

Yearbook: Betty Bennett reported that her committee will continue to update the yearbook and publish it yearly to distribute during the November dinner meeting. They are still trying to get birthdays to add to each member's profile.

Legislative: Bea Morris said they would like to publicize legislative issues more in the schools. She announced that January 29 is Legislative Day and encouraged those still working to try to arrange for that day off to be able to go. Registration will be in The Bridge.

Several members will be attending the fall board meeting in Richmond September 28-29. Deadline for dues of \$85 to Kappa are due October 16. Door prizes were awarded. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30.

Respectfully submitted, Becky Park Acting Secretary