

Gamma Sigma Signal

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Tuesday, April 9, 2019 5:30 pm Finger foods to be provided by those with last names beginning with N-Z

Program: Tracy McNeil, CTE Specialist, MCS
How are our schools preparing our students to be career ready?

Location: Education Center, Pinckney

Hostesses: Elaine Sills, Deborah Wilson
RSVP by Friday, April 5
Call Elaine at 910-
Call Deborah at 910-



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Please submit all items for the newsletter 4 weeks prior to the next meeting date.

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The President's Message

I think my body is adjusting finally to the lost hour of time...hopefully, you all have "found" your lost hour. It's time to think about our April 9 meeting. Please make time out of your busy schedule to join your Gamma Sigma sisters as we learn more about the CTE programs in Moore County Schools. It's also time to submit the names of potential members for fall installation. Christina Speiser will be awaiting your nominations. The ETA State Convention will be held in Hickory NC May 3-5, 2019. Because of a previous commitment, I will be unable to represent Gamma Sigma. If you have the time, please let me know if you are able to represent our organization. It is a great time to get together and meet other members/sisters from across NC! There is so much to learn – legislative areas, activities on-going with ETA State, and learning from other chapters, plus much, much more.

I hope to see you all in April!

Sincerely,

Betty

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Minutes--Chapter Meeting

February 9, 2018

The Gamma Sigma chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma convened at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 9, 2019, at Southern Middle School. Thirteen members of Gamma Sigma and two visitors were in attendance.

After the call to order, attendees observed a moment of silence. Marcy Cooper, principal for Southern Middle School, provided the program about the school's "Capturing Kids Hearts" initiative. Created by Flip Flippen of the Flippen Group, the program is based on the EXCEL Model:

E = Engage with greetings and good things

X = X-plore by identifying the needs of the group via a social contract

C = Communicate by evaluating individual and group adherence with social contract

E = Empower by defining roles and responsibilities

L = Launch by ending with reflections and affirmations

Those in attendance unanimously approved the minutes from the December meeting which were published in the newsletter. The group also unanimously approved the treasurer's report, provided by Becky Oldham and pasted below.

Corresponding Secretary Robyn Lam had no separate report.

Tricia Cox outlined a number of volunteer opportunities around literacy, including Literacy Council programs at Southern Pines Primary and Elementary Schools. *Growing Moore Readers* has applied for a Duke grant to assist with literacy in the northern part of the county. Robyn Lam described a successful program at her granddaughter's school that used a racing theme to bring awareness and resources.

Wanda Sweeney reported that this year's scholarship will be provided to a Union Pines High School student. Typically, the scholarship funding comes from December Bazaar funds. While the bazaar did not yield the \$1,000 needed, the chapter is committed to adhering with that amount for the scholarship.

The Delta Rho chapter raised their dues to include the cost for the December Bazaar meal. Gamma Sigma will vote on that idea in April. Discussion continued about the date for the bazaar. The by-laws indicate that it will be held the first Saturday in December, but conflict

with the meeting site pushed it to the second Saturday last December. President Betty is working with Libby Carter on other venue options.

Members passed the brag basket for literacy, and all agreed to split the proceeds with World Fellowship. There was a request for the membership list to be included in the next newsletter. There also was the request for the corresponding secretary to distribute dates of the three high school musicals via e-mail, along with similar dates for Methodist University where member Tricia Cox's daughter is involved in music and theatre.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2019, in the (CTE Room at Pinecrest High School) **at the Ed. Center at Pinckney** at 5:30 p.m. Members with last names that begin with N-Z are to bring hors d'oeuvres. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anita W. Alpenfels
Recording Secretary



Treasurer's Report

Becky Oldham

3/18/19

Gamma Sigma Chapter

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Balance January 18, 2019		\$2,299.29
	Receivables:	
	Literacy Donation	25.00
	World Fellowship	25.00
	Dues	2.00
	Scholarship	50.00
	Total	\$102.00
	Disbursements:	
	Speaker Donation	100.00 (Southern Middle School)
	Total	\$100.00
Balance March 18, 2019		\$2301.29

Apr. 1--last day to submit names for Ceremony of Remembrance
Apr. 9-- Gamma Sigma meeting,5:30pm, Pinecrest High School, CTE Room
Apr. 10—Legislative Day in Raleigh
Apr. 15-- Early bird registration ends for convention
May 1 Deadline for applications for Lucile Cornet Individual Professional Development Awards
May 3-5--Eta State NC Convention, Crowne Plaza, Hickory, NC
May 11-- DKG Founders Day
June 7-11—International Convention, Philadelphia
June 27-29—International Conference, Crowne Plaza, Asheville



REMEMBER:

**THE APRIL MEETING
IS ON
APRIL 9, 5:30 PM
AT THE
EDUCATION CENTER,
PINCKNEY
(FINGER FOODS: N-Z)**



CELEBRATING 85 YEARS!! ETA STATE CONVENTION

Special Sessions on Saturday

Treasurers

Chapter treasurers are encouraged to attend a special session at the state convention in Hickory to learn more about the electronic processing of dues that will begin July 1, 2019. Dues for the year 2019-2020 should be collected by June 30 and forwarded to International and to Eta State on or after July 1, 2019. International President Cathy Daugherty will lead the session.

Chapter Support from the Rules Committee

The Rules Committee will help chapters understand the changes in the International Constitution and Standing Rules and will provide a checklist to help chapters update their rules. They will also answer questions about the new updates to Eta State NC Bylaws and Standing Rules considered during the Second General Meeting on Saturday morning.

Professional Development, Personal Development, Society Business

Informative, enlightening and fun sessions in the three proposed strands will round out the selections for attendees. Among other sessions, there will be opportunities to expand expertise in creating newsletters, websites and Google forms; learn more about high school success coaching; glean ideas for membership recruitment and retention and beginning teacher support; and hear how Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) affect a student's school performance and how to incorporate "Brain Breaks" in the classroom to maximize student learning



Convention Project to Help Teachers

The annual convention project usually benefits a cause in the sponsoring region. Region X is expanding its project to the schools in eastern NC affected by Hurricane Florence, a generous and thoughtful outreach.

Fund\$ for Florence will help DKG member-teachers in counties declared natural disaster areas. Bring gift cards and show your support of our members.

FAST NC reports funds have helped replace instructional rugs, PE equipment, STEM materials, art supplies, library books, laptops and more.

Round 8 applications will be received from Feb. 23-March 8 and

Round 9 from March 9-22. To secure an application form, go to the FAST NC website and click on the “Apply Now” link.



Southeast Regional Director

Elaine Warwick

Arts and the Humanities is a perfect theme for the international conference in Asheville June 27-29, 2019.

As you know, Asheville has great creative energy with its thriving River Arts District where potters, painters, and other artisans share their studios with visitors.

Our conference is really beginning to take shape. Our speakers have been confirmed. Speaking at the Humanities luncheon on Friday, June 28 will be Kevan Frasier, noted historian of the Asheville area, professor at a local university, and owner of Asheville by Foot. For our Arts and Humanities banquet on Saturday evening, Sheila Kay Adams, a native North Carolinian and internationally known storyteller, musician and author will share her stories and talents with us.

Opening night there will be a box supper on the lawn with artisan demonstrations followed by a general session and a North Carolina night that is not to be missed. A great variety of workshops will be offered from line dancing, basket-making, and quilting, to creative writing, bookmaking, children's literature and oh, so many more! It will be very difficult to choose which one to attend!

Come a day early to take advantage of one of the four pre-conference tours being offered. You can enjoy a day at the Biltmore, a beautiful ride down the Blue Ridge Parkway with several stops, a tour of the Asheville River Arts District, or a behind the scenes tour of the Omni Grove Park Inn with a visit to workshops of noted artisans. All are all-inclusive tours with lunch at a noted restaurant in the area. Go to www.dkg.org for details and the tour registration form.

Conference registration and the hotel registration information are also available on the DKG website.

You may also sign up for the pre-conference tours there as well.

Please mark the dates of June 27-29 as you do not want to miss this international conference!

Hope to see you there!

Elaine

