Delta Kappa Gamma Society International-Mu Chapter

Alpha Pi State-Mu Chapter, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Thursday, November 19, 2015 7:00 p.m.

Char Cade Home: 105 E. 34th street

President Char Cade called the meeting to order.

Roll Call was accomplished by Sign-In Sheet (members were to indicate receipt of a Program Book). 14 members were present.

The Program speaker was introduced by Elizabeth Wood: Melissa Goodwin, author.

Ms. Goodwin wrote a book for teachers in order to encourage creativity in education. She presented several options for activities and opportunities to learn more about and to utilize creativity. ("Maker Movement, "Design Thinking", 21 Day Challenges.)

Business Meeting:

Secretary's Report was presented and amended to correct spelling/name order. The amended minutes were moved approved by Joanne Dankey and Seconded by Elizabeth Wood.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Marlys Pearson (copy attached). \$4027.35 was the bank balance. Marlys indicated that Mu Chapter has 49 members, 45 are active and 2 are Reserve members. Marlys presented the proper definition of Reserve Membership as someone who cannot attend regularly because of a physical disability or geographical location.

The Treasurer's Report was approved by a motion from Jane Leonhardt and seconded by Marilyn Carlson-Aronson. Motion carried and report filed for audit.

Membership:

Two new members were welcomed by transfer: Betty Mudder and Kay Waltner

Several members expressed thoughts and ideas as to how to secure more active members. It was suggested that we send a group to an "underserved" school and assist staff with projects that are often difficult for them to complete. This would help staff get acquainted with the members of Mu Chapter and have a better idea of what we can do to support our active teaching staff.

State President Millie Horter presented an idea from Aberdeen chapter: A Basket Social was used to raise money to pay the Reserve Dues for those in Nursing Homes as well as other ideas she has gathered as she visits all state Chapters.

Correspondence:

Cathy Anderson reported on the members who had received Birthday cards and those who received sympathy cards from Mu Chapter.

Committees:

The Calling Committee reported phone visits are very positive in that the help our less active members feel remembered and a part of what the chapter is doing. A suggestion was made this kind of contact is valuable in retaining our less active members and that a personal visit would also strengthen our value to those who are not able to come out to an evening meeting.

The Membership Committee asked that any changes in names, addresses, phone numbers or the like should be brought to their attention and President Char will e mail those changes to the membership.

The Scholarship Committee, Dr. Marilyn Carlson-Aronson presented two scholarships to Mu Chapter members: Charnelle Wooledge LHS (cooperative learning educational tools) and Cathy Regas RHS VIDEO Library materials for a personal finance class.

Looking Ahead:

President Char Dade thanked the Hostesses: Jean Eidsness, Char Cade, Marlys Pearson, Cathy Regas, Dar Steenholdt, and Charnelle Wooledge.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 26, 2016, 7:00 p.m., Callie Branch Library 4100 S. Carnegie Circle. Speaker will be Jill Biltoft-Stanford Profile Health Benefits Discovery Session Presentation. Hostesses: Elizabeth Wood (chair), Sherri Alvey, Michelle Davis, Twyla Smith, Sandy Wherkamp.

A motion for adjournment was presented by Millie Horter. It was seconded by Marlys Pearson.

Respectfully Submitted,

De Loris Gulson, Recording Secretary