

Alpha Theta Minutes

September 2023

First Baptist Church, Mount Airy

President Dana Thomas welcomed all members. Jan Varney shared an inspiration with the group and blessed the meal. The Executive Board presented the program which was called, "A Reorientation of DKG." President Dana Thomas led the business part of the meeting. She thanked everyone for bringing books for our Acts of Kindness Project. She also thanked Kelly Johnson for the newsletter, Beth Martin for keeping up with our Facebook page, and Pattie Martin for the table decorations. Nominations committee shared that new officers would be voted on in the spring. Membership committee stated new member nominations would be voted on in February. Tanya Hall shared correspondence. President Dana Thomas presented the minutes from the previous meeting and the financial report and both were approved as in the newsletter. Becky Keesler presented the 2023-2024 budget and all approved saying "I." She also shared the changes to the Rules and stated these would be voted on at the December meeting. President Dana Thomas reminded everyone that our next meeting would be Saturday, December 9th at Dobson First Baptist Church and then she adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Taylor, Recording Secretary

December, January, & February Birthdays:

December

- Olga Joyce: Dec. 1
- Camilla Cook: Dec. 4
- Marion Goldwasser: Dec. 10
- Marie Hauser: Dec. 12
- Alison York: Dec. 30

January

- Anna Calloway: Jan. 1
- Patsy Atkins: Jan. 3
- Eve Trotter: Jan. 9
- Tracey Lewis: Jan. 14
- Shari Thomas: Jan. 17
- Linda Crawford: Jan. 26



February

- Beth Lowry: Feb. 1
- Tracie Whitaker: Feb. 3
- Patti Martin: Feb. 9
- Kathryn Mitchell: Feb. 17
- Dana Thomas: Feb. 25

Donna Bledsoe, NC Principal of the Year

We are fortunate to have Donna Bledsoe, NC Principal of the Year as our guest speaker. She is currently working at Cedar Ridge. She has a special place in my heart as I taught her in 6th grade and I was lucky to work with her at Shoals Elementary.
~ Dana



Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report: Alpha Theta Account Summary June 30, 2023-November 30, 2023		
Beginning Balance		\$7,674.99
Income		
Dues		70.00
Meals		310.00
Alpha Theta Grant		370.00
World Fellowship		1.42
Interest		
	Total Income	751.42
	Balance	8,426.41
Disbursements		
Dues/ State - International		56.00
DKG Headquarters Fund		
Conference - President		31.00
World Fellowship		
Alpha Theta Grant		500.00
Membership- Roses		
Beginning Teachers Support		
Rose/ Memorials		
Chapter Expenses – Stamps, Cards, nametags, guests		70.30
Meeting Space		100.00
Sept. meal		194.68
	Total Disbursement	951.98
BALANCE		7,474.43
AT Grant-In- Aid/ Scholarship		2,611.46
Donations		370.00
Disbursements		(500.00)
	Balance	2481.46
Cash on hand for change		70.00
Chapter Operating Fund Balance total funds Minus Grant-In- Aid		\$5,062.97

Treasure's Note\$

Financial Report for December will be on the tables at the meeting.

Grant in Aid Reminder: Our Chapter Rules recommend an annual gift of at least \$15 per member. This is a great way to honor someone with a gift or to send a memorial to a family. Our chapter has a nice recognition card which is mailed to the recipient or family.

Regrets for meetings when you cannot attend are essential to the fiscal health of our chapter. If we do not receive your regrets before the caterer's deadline, you are responsible for the meal.



Silent Auction

Remember to bring items for the yearly Silent Auction. This is the highlight of the year! Finish up any last minute shopping or let this get you started.



Spring Cycle Grants

The following foundational grants will be awarded in the Spring of 2024. Applications are available on The Foundation website ncdkgef.org. Proposal forms are due January 31, 2024.

Foundational Literacy Grant

Foundation Continuing Education for Professional/Personal Education Grant

Margaret Church Grant

Day-Cauley Grant

Groves-Little Grant

Linda Richards Grant

Simmons-Longest Grant

Lynda Tamblyn Grant



Mark the Dates:

Convention Dates

*January 31 - Applications due for NC DKG Educational Foundation grants

*February 1 - Applications due for NC DKG Scholarship

*April 26-28, 2024 - NC DKG Convention, Durham

*July 9-13, 2024 - International Convention, Maryland

*June 30-July 4, 2026 - international Convention, CO

Committees:

*Finance -Executive Board

*Scholarship - Laura Horton and Sue Jarvis

*Membership - Nicole Hooker, Kelly Johnson, Elaine Reales, Marie Niland

*Education Excellence - Dana Johnson, Mamie Sutphin, Marie Hauser

*Communications - Kelly Johnson and Beth Martin

*World Fellowship - Shari Thomas

*Rules - Becky Keesler, Jan Varney, Gloria Bunn, and Shari Thomas



Acts of Kindness

Thank you for bringing your books to the September meeting. We collected 68 books. These books were taken to the Surry County Health Department Pediatric Center.

Remember to bring unwrapped toys for the Salvation Army to December's meeting.



Membership

Nomination forms will be available at the December meeting. Names will be voted on at the February meeting for April inductions.



Rules

Becky Keesler will be presenting changes and updates to Alpha Theta for approval at the December meeting.

