

Minutes

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society Int'l., Mu Chapter January 23, 2021 - Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Recording Secretary - Kathy Van Wert

9:30 **General Membership Meeting** was called to order by Tammy Ragan
1st Vice President

Tammy welcomed members and presenter: Tami Wesely, Mu Chapter
Member and Jewelry Designer

Tammy thanked all who assisted in planning the Virtual Christmas Tea

*A special thank you to President Kate Pearson for the packet of goodies
that helped make the event special.

*Thank you to Libby Underhill for the slideshow and to Julie Paulson
for the inspiration, "A Cup of Christmas Tea".

*Thank you to all that shared their cup stories.

9:34 **Program:** Presenter Tami Wesely shared her passion for minerals and rocks
with chapter members. Tami shared all facets of her hobby and reminded us
how important it is to have a hobby! She also shared her company name,
"Wesrocks". The presentation was beautifully shared, as Tami is very
passionate about her designs as well as the rocks and minerals she and her
husband find!

10:21 **Mindful Minute** - Susan Flicek introduced "Square Breathing"

Business Meeting - was called to order

Secretary's Report - Kathy Van Wert

Treasurer's Report - Deb Rossman

- Total assets: \$13943.33
- Deb shared a thank you from Clearwater Cty. Food Shelf
- February 1 deadline for DKG MN State special project grants,
members mini grants, and the Bernice Gestie education grant
- Beata Grantier received a \$500 DKG MN State special project grant
to be trained in a program called CHIME
- Birdella Ross Scholarship for up to \$4000 for graduate work
- Lois Falk shared that Megan Larson was the recipient of a \$500 grant
from the Hazel Shimmin Scholarship Fund managed through BSU
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Corresponding Secretary's Report - Miriam White

Correspondence from the following was read: Margaret Thorson,
Bea Knodel, Carol Carpenter, Julie Anderson (new-teacher gift
certificate), Dee Neuman, and Jackie Barclay.

Joys and Concerns:

- Kate Pearson is recovering from gall bladder surgery
- Joyce Siegert's husband is recovering following heart by-pass surgery
- Pam Murray - shared of her mother-in-law's passing
- Tami Wesely - shared the passing of her father-in-law
- Sharon Hoverson - shared son, Will Hart, has been diagnosed with cancer
- Angie Dahlberg - shared that she has been recently diagnosed with a degenerative muscle disease. She and her husband have recently moved to a one-level home at 1320 Whiting Road NW Unit 56 in Bemidji, no home phone

International News:

- Please enjoy the articles in this month's international magazine

MN State Organization News:

- Feb 1 deadline for applications for Birdella Ross Scholarship

Mu Chapter News:

- Presentation by Pam Murray of the names of potential new members
The deadline to submit names was January 15.

1. Julie Anderson – sponsored by Kate Pearson - special education teacher at Horace May Elementary in Bemidji
2. Heather Otterstad - sponsored by Kate Pearson – 2nd grade distance learning teacher in Bemidji
3. Lacey Nosbisch – sponsored by Kate Pearson - 6th grade teacher in Walker Public Schools
4. Nicole Kiesen - sponsored by Susan Flicek - special education teacher with Bemidji Public Schools

A motion was made by Susan Flicek to accept the slate of potential new members, seconded by Miriam White. No discussion, passed by membership vote. There will be a February informational meeting with potential new members

Committee Reports:

- Program - Kate Pearson/Tamra Ragan - March meeting will be on Zoom
- Yearbook - Kim Kusler - submit changes to Kim
- Professional Affairs - Miriam White - there are two \$1000 grants available - applications are out to BSU students
- Legislation - Pam Roiger - Youth Committee: shared mental health, and racial equity are important in our areas
- Chapter Rules - Kathy Palm - submitted chapter rules in Oct/Nov, awaiting approval

State Report - Michelle Dahlby

- Nominations for education nominees extended one month
- Executive Committee Mtg is 2/6/21 - all invited via zoom
- Searching for officers for the 21-23 biennium
- Convention in Minneapolis on June 24 - zoom? In person?

Inspiration - "Peach Stones" - be you! - Julie Paulson

11:15

Adjournment

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