

Engaging New Members in The Local Chapter

Build Collegiality:

- The President or Membership Committee Chairman should consider personally inviting each new member to every meeting of their first biennium.
- Engaged mentors = engaged new members! Be sure that every new member has an enthusiastic chapter mentor for their first two years of membership. Mentors should communicate frequently, offering to accompany mentees to meetings, state convention, and other events.

Build Connections to the Chapter:

- Every member should be a part of a committee. Give new members the opportunity to select a committee for which they will be a part.
- Committee chairs should actively engage new members in the work of the committee.
- Support and applaud their professional and personal endeavors through chapter celebrations, recognitions, awards, and scholarships.
- Spotlight new members in your chapter newsletter and/or website.
- Engage new members in the chapter meeting business. For example, provide them a role in ceremonies, special presentations, fundraisers, etc..

Build Communication:

- Communicate via technology - email, Facebook groups, Instagram, Twitter, and reminder apps are all beneficial tools.
- Communicate personally - via phone calls and text messages
- Survey your new members for their interests and project ideas. Use Google Forms or a similar application to quickly gather information about programs and topics that interest them.
- Cultivate a chapter culture that is open to **NEW** ideas, **NEW** projects, and **NEW** programs. Your new members have valuable ideas and gifts to share..

Build Capacity:

- Promote growth, professionally and personally.
- Build a new member's leadership capacity within the organization by engaging them in activities at the local, state, and international levels. For example, personally invite them to attend the state convention.
- Encourage participation in Leadership Conferences.
- Recognize members' strengths and provide them opportunities to utilize those strengths in leadership roles.

Special Notes

- Be mindful of the tendency to overwhelm a new member. Even the most capable and enthusiastic new members can be quickly overwhelmed, or worse - 'Burnt out' by a well-intentioned Chapter President that piles on responsibilities. Remember that new members need time to learn about the society's purposes, grasp the local chapter's goals, and connect with other members. Involve new members? Absolutely! Overwhelm them? Please don't!
- Make your meetings and activities F U N and meaningful. One of the most common reasons new members cite for their reason for leaving DKG is, "It was boring." Engage your members, plan worthwhile and fun projects and programs, and plan a biennium that will be something to look forward to for all members in attendance.

Chapter Meeting Agendas Examples:

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
XI Chapter
September 23, 2019

Bradley Elementary School
210 Bradley School Road
Mt Hope, West Virginia
4:30 PM

Call to Order.....Peggy White
Flag Salute.....Patty Meadows
Collect.....Patty Zutaut

Introduction of Guests
White Rose Ceremony for Joyce Mills & Virginia Davis

Guest Speaker
Allison Shriver, NBCT: NEA Foundation 2019 Global Fellowship

Business Meeting

Attendance.....Claytina Shepherd
Minutes.....Kathy Anderson
Treasure Report.....Martha Hutchinson

Committee Reports

Project Committee: Brenda Epling: Hit A Home Run for Reading
Nominations: Charlotte Hutchens
New Membership: XI President, Marcia Dunlap

For the Good of the Chapter

Next meeting will be Saturday, April 18, 2020, 9:30 AM – United Methodist Temple
Brunch \$15 – Reservations Needed

New Member Initiation & Installation of Officers

Presentation of DKG XI Chapter Education Scholarship

Our treasure, Martha Hutchinson, has requested that we come prepared to pay our \$60 dues.
The DKG Leadership Conference is Saturday, April 25 at Day's Inn in flatwoods. Be sure to register.

Closing

Delta Kappa Gamma Song

Thank You Hostess Committee:

Cynthia Blevins
Patty Meadows
Dr. Charlotte Hutchens
Julia Mollohan

Delta Kappa Gamma
Chapter Meeting
Sample Meeting Agenda

Welcome

Minutes from last meeting

Treasurer's Report

Unfinished Business

New Business

- Memorial for Mildred Lindley

- Updated Convention Schedule
 - 2029 - Gamma, Alpha Zeta, & Alpha Epsilon

- Updated Standing Rules – Due to changes at State and International levels, we need to update our Standing Rules.
 - Volunteers to make updates and present at our October meeting?

- A Thirst for Learning (Schools for Africa) – save your dimes and bring to each meeting. 1 water bottle = \$100 to donate

Program – Dr. Glenda Wait, West Virginia State President

Upcoming Meetings & Dates to Add to Your Calendar

- Tuesday, October 29th, 5:00– Winfield Community Building, Fairmont
 - Soup & Salad Covered Dish (Soups will be provided, plan to bring a salad, bread, or dessert)
 - Program – Self-Care and Crafting
 - Angel Stockings – bring items for four baby stockings (more information in the next newsletter)

- Saturday, December 14th, 10:30 – Norma's Office, Morgantown
 - Panera's Breakfast
 - Program – Christmas Book Exchange

- April 25, 2020 – WV State Leadership Conference at Flatwoods Days Inn

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

Beta Chapter
September 2020

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Inspirational Thought: “How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.” Anne Frank
3. Quorum:
4. New member information (Debi Baldwin, Mary Dooley, Dorothea Fuqua, Jorea Marple), and welcome newly transferred within the last year: Bev Bisbee, Sherri Davis, Kitty Palausky, Mary Fran Starcher
5. Treasurer’s report – Brenda Thacker
6. Minutes/Correspondence – Elizabeth Potter/Susan Harpold
7. Update from Executive Board Meeting
 - A. Process for electing new members
 - B. Establishing a quorum for meetings
 - C. Accepting the proposed budget
8. All officers, committee chairman and members are encouraged to view www.dkg.org to gain information. To access the site, enter your membership number, (the 6-digit number on your membership card) and use the password: dkg2014society. You may create a different password if desired. Once logged in, go to “Governing Documents” for information on the Constitution, International Standing Rules, Go-To-Guide, (GAPP) Guidelines and Policies/Procedures and Strategic Plan. Additionally West Virginia has a website at www.dkgwv.org and Beta chapter at www.betachapterwv.com.
9. Report of Standing Committees – these are the committees and members from last year. We may need to adjust the committees. A chairman is needed for each committee to enlist additional members.
 - A. Society Business
 1. Communication & Publicity – Karen Winter, Karen Simon
 2. Finance – Brenda Thacker and Alicia Sue Lang
 3. Membership – Annette Howard, Harriet Leurant, Norma Ulery

*Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
West Virginia State Organization
Eta Chapter*

*Sept. 13, 2019
Angus & Ale Restaurant
Berkeley Springs, WV*

MEETING AGENDA

8:45 . . . Area Coordinators and Executive Board Arrival & Venue Preparations
9:15 . . . Members Sign-in, Turn In Concerns & Celebration Cards
9:30 . . . Call to Order and Welcome **President, Rebecha Catlett**
Brunch Blessing **Mary Duke**
Brunch and Social Time **Catering by Angus & Ale Restaurant**
10:15 . . Roll Call **Rachel Potts/Ruth Potts**
Devotion **Mary Duke**
Approval of April 2019 Meeting Minutes **Membership**
Treasury Report **Cindy Woods**
Correspondence Report **Anne Helmick**
Report & Certificates from WVSO Convention 2019 **Rebecha Catlett**
WVSO Presidential Address to Chapter **Dr. Glenda Wait, Honored Guest**
Special Presentation **Rebecha Catlett**
Concerns for Others **Nancy Broadley**
Committee Meetings **Membership**
Committee Reports* **Committee Chairs or Appointees**
To Include Prospective New Member Profiles, New Budget, and By-Law Revisions
Program: "Schools For Africa" Overview **Rosa Clark**
Project: "A Simple Gift Box" **Bethany Miller**
A Joyful Noise! (Special Music) **Kathy Bennett, Andi Hasley, and Bett Sims**
Recognitions & Celebrations & Happy Birthdays **Nancy Broadley**
Surprise for Projects Drawing **Nancy Broadley**
Delta Kappa Gamma Song **Members, Led by Bett Sims**
Adjournment

Eta Chapter: Continuing a Legacy of Leadership, Learning, and Love



Agenda

October 10, 2019

Nu Chapter

West Virginia State Organization of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Shoney's Restaurant, Thursday 5:30 pm.

Grace: Lisa Bennett

Dinner

Welcome to Meeting

Theme: To Touch the Future, Touch a Life

“Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around.” Leo Buscaglia

Thank the Hostess Committee: Betty McMillion, chairman; Lisa Bennett, Jeannie Brown, Charlotte McClung, Mary McKenzie, Lydia Young, Afton Kwiecinski, and Amanda Hanks.

West Virginia State President:

Welcome and introduce Dr. Glenda Wait, state president, and Marcia Dunlap, Xi Chapter president. (Gift and flowers)

Member Recognition:

Celebrating 50+years as a member of DKG--flowers

Ardith Groves, Beulah Summers, Ann Blackshire (Share Ann's biography)

Program Theme: Personal Growth, Lisa Bennett, Chairman; Meg Ashby, Kay Coffman, Genevieve Groves, and Lauren Jarroll
(10 Ways to Improve Your Brain, Trivial Pursuit)

Speaker: Dr. Glenda Wait (Developing a Growth Mindset)

Spiritual Reflections: Susan Bennett

Business Meeting—Call to Order:

I call this meeting of Nu Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma to order
(1 rap of gavel)

Reading of the Minutes, September meeting: Meg Ashby

Are there any additions or corrections? Hearing none, the minutes will be filed as read. (If corrections, minutes will be filed as corrected)

Treasurer's Report: Linda Taylor

Any questions or comments about the treasurer's report? The report will be filed for audit.

Corresponding Secretary: (let Carol know who needs a card)

Any cards received? Do we need to send a card to anyone?

Send a card to: _____

Committee Reports:

Literacy: Meg Ashby

Scrapbook/Newspaper Clippings: Mary McKenzie

Recruitment Grant: Lisa Bennett (RHS this year)

Old Business:

WV State Convention: Nu and Omega Chapters are hosts for 2025.

Contacting former members of Nu Chapter:

Linda has created a list of former members, their names and addresses are on index cards. If each one is contacted, perhaps asking if they would like to attend a meeting or activity, we may increase our membership.

Early Career Educators: 13 beginning teachers in Nicholas County.

Elementary:

Jeffrey Anderson, PCE

Rebecca Bartlett, CRE

Brandy Crawford, SES

Amanda Gooch, Zela

Billie Giles, Cheryl Given, Elizabeth Snyder (subs), GRE

Secondary:

April Clendenin, Kianne McGirl, Jeffrey Morrison, SMS

Kaitlyn Peyatt, NCHS

Heather Williams, RMS
Eric Frame, Alternative Learning

Who would be willing to take materials to each school and take a photo?
Carol and Kay Coffman will take supplies to the teachers at CRE and RMS.
If you are interested in being a mentor, contact Tony Nichols.

Mary Kay fundraiser: "Look Books" (available, if anyone wants to order).

New Business:

Need to update our yearbook: align with state goals, wording
Nu Chapter committees, goals and objectives, strategic goals

Donations for December meeting:

In the past we have donated money for organizations, brought games and
books for schools. Ideas for this year?

Announcements:

The Newsette is online at dkgwv.org.

Deadline for articles for Nu's Notes? _____

2020 West Virginia State Leadership DKG Training Day
April 25th at the Days Inn, Flatwoods

2021 West Virginia State Organization Convention:
April 23-25th at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Charleston
Host Chapters: Beta, Alpha Iota, Tau

Next Nu Chapter meeting: Thursday, December 5, 2019

Hostess Committee: Susan Bennett, chairman; Carolyn Chapman, Kay
Coffman, Patty Cook, Jenny Jones, Carol Marsh

Spiritual Reflections: Ramona Beverage

Theme: Music, Carol Marsh, chairman

Motion to adjourn? _____

Second? _____

The meeting is adjourned. (1 rap of the gavel)