

Gamma Gamma Minutes of the meeting
Thursday , October 20, 2016
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
Schaumburg, Illinois 60194

3:15 PM Set up

3:30 PM Social

3:45 PM Open Executive Board Meeting

5:00 PM Program – Girls in the Game

–Guest presenters - Michelle Sperzel and Laura Warren + 1

Call to Order / Welcome and Introduction of Ambassador of Good Will, Teta Minuzzo-Gerie Kay

Reflection Gail Poisson - Of necessity, this took place later in the agenda today. Gail Poisson presented a lovely reflection with many quotes about girlfriends and friendship.

Minutes

Kris Beaudette stated that the minutes are on the website and a few member have reviewed them and found them to be complete. It was moved by Keri Gold and seconded by Debbie Goodman to approve the minutes as recorded. The membership voted in favor of the motion.

Report of Treasurer

Linda Stolt stated that our budget is in good shape. She works to keep funds balanced between savings and checking to get as much interest as possible from savings. It was moved by Erin Felvey and seconded by Lorena Williams to accept the bills payable and file the budget for audit. The membership voted in favor of the motion.

The extended support checks (\$250. for books) to our previous grant-in-aid recipients will be going out soon. Donations in memory or in honor of someone can be made and will be deposited in the Fussel Scholarship fund.

Correspondence

Mary Roeing read a letter from Carol Nolan stating that she is resigning her membership due to her need to care for her husband. Other announcements were made at this time. Adrienne Rovin has a new granddaughter, and Jane Kennedy has a new great-grandchild. Mary Roeing's father-in-law is ill.

Reports of the Standing Committees

Society Business

Adrienne Rovin thanked Linda Stolt for preparing the budget. It has been sent to the state. Some of our rules may need to be changed in the near future.

Program/Music

Rose Karner extended thanks to Linda Szymkowiak for making announcements and for passing around auction sign-ups at the September meeting. We have many great programs coming up this year, and many thanks go out to the committee members for their help. Rose encouraged the members to be on the alert for new programs that we may want to have at future meetings.

The M. Josephine O'Neill Award is available for students beginning their Junior or Senior year in college. They must be majoring in one of the fine arts. It is a lengthy application process. February 1 is the deadline and the application must be sponsored and received by a chapter for submission to Lambda State.

Please continue to think of ideas for the Chapter Bazaar at Lambda State. Craft items or food items are always a good idea and can be worked on in a group. Chapters keep 75% of the proceeds and the remainder goes to Lambda State.

The Holiday Auction is December 1, 2016. Please sign up today and pay \$5.00 for the dinner. Also, please sign up to help with the various tasks at the auction.

Dayna Prochaska reminded us of the outing to Marriott's Lincolnshire to see "Singing in the Rain," on Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016. So far, only 15 have signed up and we need 20 to get the group rate. 5 more people signed up to go during this meeting so the outing will take place as scheduled.

The Reflection took place at this time. Gail Poisson presented a lovely reflection with many quotes about girlfriends and friendship.

Membership

Mary Wrobel reminded us that recommendations for new members are due in February. Please consider using the Prospect Cards that are available.

The Membership committee has also organized a monthly book club. The next meeting is Tuesday, October 25, 2016, 6:00 p.m. at Riccardo's on Roselle Rd. and Wise Rd. in Schaumburg. The group is reading The Rosie Project. All are welcome to join or come when you can.

Communications

Jane Jedlicka and Debbie Goodman for Cheryl Keifer. Jane stated that the directory/yearbooks are ready. Please take yours and books for any members that you will see.

Kathy Muench is our webmaster and we thank her for her excellent service with this task.

Jane Jedlicka and others are currently working on a Facebook page.

Educational Excellence/

Service Projects

Sandy Cook stated that many medical supplies were donated last month for Project C.U.R.E. We were able to fill at least 15 bags and 5 large bags with supplies. Our members also donated \$100 dollars in cash for Project C.U.R.E. A group of members, including Sandy Cook, Rose Karner, and Judy McGuire will be going to Project C.U.R.E. on the Monday after Thanksgiving to volunteer.

Thank you for your donations to Girls in the Game, the program that we are hearing about today.

Thanks also for the gift cards for the Kenneth Young Center. The center is having financial difficulties due to the budget impasse in the state of Illinois. They appreciate whatever help we can give.

At this time, Karyn Baldwin, our Recruitment Grant winner in 2013 spoke to us. She is currently student teaching in Elgin district U-46 and enjoying her work.

Special Projects

Kris Beaudette told us that she will attend the Lambda State Legislative Seminar on November 12. She is still looking for another member to accompany her.

Lambda State has a project to ask active teachers to submit student writing projects to be displayed at the Lambda State convention in April, 2017. Kris and Gerie have drafted a letter to the District 54 Literacy Director, Julie Gorvette, to invite the district teachers to participate in this project. The letter, supporting documents, and a membership flyer will be sent to the director very soon. We are hoping that this may promote participation in the project and also promote awareness of our group.

We have scheduled a packing session for Feed My Starving Children for January 14, 2017, at 9:00-11:00 a.m. Please sign up today or let Kris Beaudette know via email if you are interested in participating. Please take a coin-collection cereal box if you would like to use it to save coins to donate to FMSC. If you have children in your life, you are welcome to take a box for them to begin to learn about charitable giving. Also, our state visitor today gave another idea for the coin collecting. We could ask an active member to take a box and put it in the teachers' lounge at her school. The added value is it would provide additional visibility and awareness of DKG. FMSC relies on donations, so thank you to all for your generosity.

Unfinished Business

Volunteers to review installation procedures and/or repair flannel board visuals needed. Technology opportunity for creating a personal profile is still available. Contact Gerie. This provides an opportunity to connect with others in DKG on an international level.

New Business

50th Anniversary planning committee is being formed. Please indicate your interest to participate. The original charter was signed on January 8, 1967 at Old Orchard Country Club.

Announcements Optional dinner – Bahama Breeze 406 E. Golf Road, Schaumburg, 60173 (Sign up sheet on Welcome Table- See Jacqui Rothman)

We have heard from previous recruitment grant winners. Jenny Morris, a previous winner, is leaving her suburban physics teacher job and taking a position at a charter school in Chicago. She appreciates help in acquiring teaching materials. Lambda State has money to help with her needs as well as with special projects and scholarships. Please see the website. There is lots of money out there in the Lambda State foundation and with DKG International.

A good project to consider is to send Christmas cards to soldiers and to members that are not able to attend meetings. We could bring a stack of cards to the next meeting, sign them, and send them out.

Teta Minuzzo, our Lambda State visitor, congratulated us on our 50th anniversary and she also stated that we are doing a good job.

Marge Fox stated that the Elgin Public Museum needs someone to update the website. Please see her for details.

Adjournment

It was moved by Linda Stolt and seconded by Gail Poisson to adjourn the meeting. The members voted in favor of adjournment.

Introduction of Program - Girls in the Game by Maureen Briza

Respectfully submitted
Kris Beaudette
Recording Secretary
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