**Zeta Tau Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma**

**Minutes from February 19, 2019**

Zeta Tau’s monthly meeting was held on February 19, 2019 at Frostwood Elementary. We had fourteen members in attendance plus our speaker, Carolyn Mashburn. Several people arrived early, so we began to stuff 132 gift bags for Spring Woods Middle School faculty and staff. They will received three full- sized items, an inspirational note, and a note about Zeta Tau with our contact information included. Beth Brown volunteered to deliver the gifts to Stephanie Humphrey, the SWMS administrative assistant.

President Diana Apsey called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. The minutes from January were approved. Diana recognized members who will serve at the state level this upcoming biennium. Pat Osborne will chair the Legislative Committee, Mary Ann Slaughter will be a member of Necrology, Julie Eisenhauer will be the Area 18 Coordinator, and Terrie Cardwell will continue on Finance. Lorena Zertuche may accept a position on the Eula Lee Carter scholarship committee. President Diana Apsey is attending this weekend’s Leadership Seminar.

Pat Osborne updated us on legislative activity in Austin and urged everyone to write letters to our representatives and senators to voice concerns over retirement benefits and salary issues.

Mary Ann Slaughter reported on her work with Diana Apsey to organize the Zeta Tau Archives.

There was no treasurer’s report as Julie Eisenhauer was not present. We had no brags and decided to forgo penalties for not wearing pins since it was such an ugly weather day.

Our program was presented by Carolyn Mashburn, former board member of ASTEF. She had everyone open the ASTEF website on our phones and walked us through what it is and all of the components of the foundation. Winspire trips, scholarship opportunities, Leadership Seminar attendees and recent stories of chapter projects made possible by ASTEF grants were explained and discussed. Last of all she showed us the “Donate Now” button and explained that donations are tax deductible. Carolyn closed with a military style cadence about ASTEF.

New business was about sending a gift card to ASTEF to include in the state convention raffle. A motion was made by Paula Ely for a $50 card; Mary Ann Slaughter seconded the motion. After Beth Brown offered $20 cash, Pam Pennington made a new motion that we use Beth’s donation and add $30 from our chapter funds. Paula Ely seconded it. Diana will buy a $50 gift card and send to ASTEF for convention raffle.

We played Left-Right-Center as a fundraiser for ASTEF and raised $42. Pam Calder was the winner and received a gift certificate provided by Sasha Johnson. We closed at 6:00 p.m. by singing “The Delta Kappa Gamma Song”.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Jo Ann Arlitt, Recording Secretary Diana Apsey, President*

*Submitted by Terrie Cardwell*