**Zeta Tau Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma**

**Minutes from October 18, 2016**

Woodview Elementary School was the site of Zeta Tau Chapter’s monthly meeting on October 18, 2016. Twenty-two members attended; special guests were Woodview Principal Pam Pennington and Robyn Flowers, a teacher at Alief Smith Elementary School. The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. Pat Osborne gave the inspiration by reading two fitting poems from The Red Desk. Pat also asked members to consider being a volunteer in February at Expanding Your Horizons, a STEM program for middle school girls. She encouraged members to look at available Delta Kappa Gamma scholarships listed at dkg.org, the society’s website.

The minutes from September 2016 were approved. Treasurer Julie Eisenhauer gave an update on outstanding dues, and reported that Dianne Gebhardt and Carolyn Morris reinstated their chapter membership.

Maureen Madden informed members that paraprofessionals can now join Delta Kappa Gamma. Mary Ann Slaughter, co-chair of the June 2017 state convention, stressed the need for volunteers in her report.

Pam Pennington addressed our group and shared her visions for Woodview Elementary after giving a brief history of the school. She was overwhelmed by the number of games, socks, and underwear members brought to the meeting for students. Terrie Cardwell created popcorn and candy treats for Woodview teachers; these were placed in their mailboxes after the meeting. We also had the pleasure of meeting two of the campus’ dedicated teachers.

Dora Aschenbeck presented the Z award to Paula Ely after reading a poem which described Paula’s wonderful character traits. The scholarship fund grew by $68 with the purchases of raffle tickets.

Our next meeting will be on November 15, 2016 at Blue Willow Bookshop. Owner Valerie Koehler will present the program.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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