**Zeta Tau Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma**

**Minutes from January 17, 2017**

Zeta Tau Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met in the Stratford High School library on January 17, 2017. As members arrived, each got busy making valentines for teachers and staff at Woodview Elementary. Each card and a chocolate bar will be placed in their school mailboxes. Eighteen members welcomed guest Jane Cooper and program presenter Shara Floyd.

The meeting was called to order at 4:50 p.m. by Co-President Donna Handlin. The minutes from December were approved and Julie Eisenhauer gave the treasurer’s report.

Under old business, Donna Handlin thanked Sharon Sharadin for graciously hosting the December Christmas party. Convention co-chair Mary Ann Slaughter reported the state convention location has changed to the Westin Galleria. She asked everyone to volunteer and support convention vendors. Pat Osborne, Julie and Elke Eisenhauer, and Mary Ann Slaughter attended the STAR Arts Retreat the previous weekend and showed members some of their crafted items.

New business included Sharon Sharadin updating members on the scholarship committee. She had spoken with Lambda Alpha sister Brenda Lozano to get some ideas. The committee will meet at 4:30 p.m. on January 24. All members are invited to participate. Elke Eisenhauer asked for newsletter articles, especially those penned by members. Membership chair Amy Houser passed out prospect cards.

Donna Handlin reminded everyone of our auction on February 21, 2017. To enter the community room at the Bunker Hill HEB, enter on the right side of the store near the garden area. Donna challenged everyone to bring a prospective member to this event.

State committees are looking for new members, and everyone was asked to send in their names by February 1 if interested in serving. If time is an issue, Pat Osborne noted that some committees meet only at convention. Carolyn Morris asked for members to volunteer at Expanding Your Horizons on February 25 at Spring Forest Middle School. Jo Ann Arlitt presented the Z award to Sasha Luther who was unable to attend.

Terrie Cardwell introduced Shara Floyd, the school nurse at Spring Forest. Shara gave an outstanding program on keeping our hearts healthy. She encouraged us to visit American Heart Association’s website for more valuable information.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Jo Ann Arlitt, Recording Secretary Martha Meyer, Co-President*

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 *Donna Handlin, Co-President*