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The first chapter meeting of the year was held at Paul Ely’s home. Upon arrival, members paid dues to Julie Eisenhauer. Paula called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. after everyone enjoyed food and fellowship. Dora Aschenbeck read the inspiration “Teacher Thoughts.”

Area 18 Workshop is Saturday, 9/13. Carpooling plans were discussed. Our chapter will sell DKG pins and necklaces at the workshop, and may take orders.

Future meetings were discussed. They will begin at 4:30 p.m. unless noted otherwise. Our next meeting is 10/9 at Corner Bakery Café. Menus were available as members are encouraged to order as soon as they arrive at the meeting. The November meeting and auction date was changed to 11/6. Members are encouraged to bring guests to this meeting. Initiation of new members will take place during the April meeting. Member recommendation forms will be available at all meetings.

The chapter service project is Supporting Early Career Educators. Paula Ely, Susan Penton, Pat Osborne and Dora Aschenbeck have already helped new teachers at Thornwood, Shadow Oaks and Spring Shadows get settled in their classrooms.

Treasurer Julie Eisenhauer reported a current balance of $1433.99. She passed out copies of the proposed budget which was approved as is. The term “grants-in-aid” was clarified; scholarships are given to members while grants-in-aid can be given to non-members.

Pat Osborne, Achievement Chair, explained that we will focus on our members’ accomplishments by recognizing one member per meeting with a decorative Z. Lori Cleare was given the Z Award this month for always saying “yes” to our chapter. At the next meeting Lori will recognize another member and pass the Z to her, making this an ongoing award. Pat also introduced the ASTEF pig, and members fed it.

Diane Apsey has created and will maintain our chapter website.

Lori Cleare explained the Traveling Annie project. Each member will decorate and cut out the figure Lori provided. As we travel, we should take Annie with us and record with a picture. Our travels with Annie will be included in the website and/or chapter scrapbook.

“Happy Birthday” was sung to Elke Eisenhauer-Sass. Cake, ice cream and cookies were served after the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.