Alpha Kappa Chapter The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Business and Program Meeting Minutes January 14, 2023 Submitted by Connie Lewis

Members Attending: Laura Casto, Gina Daniels, Monica Hayes, Pat Gilleland, Nancy Henning, Delores Hudson, Amal Ibourk, Felecia Jordan Jackson, MaLynn Kelso, Connie Lewis, Lane Mathews, Vicki Rhodes, Nancy Rosenbaum, Patricia Scott, Yolanda Singletary, Josephine Sondossi, Stacy Thompson, June Townsend, Susan Vinson, Rhonda Work, Gale Workman

Call to Order: Monica Hayes, our President, called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m. A short business meeting was held.

Minutes: The minutes of December 12, 2022 were approved as written.

Treasurer Report: Rhonda Work stated that we have a bank balance of \$747.07 which includes \$204.75 for World Fellowship, leaving a Working Balance of 542.32. The report will be filed for audit.

New Business: Felecia Jordan Jackson stated that she was a Professor at FSU and worked with Nancy Watson on the SSF Lundquist House Project. Since Nancy is caring for her mother, Felecia will be sending the information for the January 24th Zoom meeting with the Lundquist ladies. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Monica Hayes will be doing a short talk on public speaking at the event.

Old Business:

Books for ELC – Reminder that books can be brought to each meeting and that the ELC only takes NEW books now. Mark your calendar. ELC tour will be February 16th

Books for the Prison – Please read the criteria for these books that was sent to you as there many books that are not acceptable. No foreign language books or Better Homes and Garden Cook Books are permitted. Also, spiral bound books are not allowed.

The business meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Program: Gale Workman presented a program on Mentoring. It was very informative and provided for the members to interact with her and others. Each person was asked to write on a card provided the name of someone who had been a mentor to them and identify the qualities that mentor had. Members shared their information with the group. Next members wrote name(s) of people they had mentored and were asked how that experience enriched them. Their responses reflected the qualities of those presented by Gale and more. Gale reminded us of our MISSION: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. Each of us was encouraged to participate in **3 opportunities** to join our **NEW DKG Mentoring Initiative**.

1. **Mentor a student-resident at the Lundquist House**. Attached is a list of Lundquist residents who have requested a Mentor. Also attached is a roster with photos of the residents living in the Lundquist House. Reach out to a resident -- maybe meet for conversation over coffee -- to discuss a mentoring relationship. Already ... Monica, Gale, Yolanda, and Nancy H. have reached out to Karina, Rebeckah, Jemima, and Cortina. Hooray! Any questions? Contact AK Sister Gale Workman, 850-228-1867, gale_workman@hotmail.com.

- 2. **Seasoned Educators: Become a Volunteer** with an AK Sister working in Leon County Schools. The first step -- with NO obligation -- is to complete/submit the Volunteer Form. You will be certified by Leon County Schools and eligible to volunteer in Leon County Schools. Volunteers must certify annually. Contact AK Sister Gale Workman when you submit the Volunteer Form. Gale can facilitate a mentoring match with an AK Sister, 850-228-1867, gale_workman@hotmail.com. Complete/Submit the Volunteer Form: https://volunteers.leonschools.net/
- 3. **Working Educators: Seek out the Volunteer Coordinator** in your school. Find out how you can benefit from inviting an AK Sister to volunteer in your classroom. Then, seek a seasoned AK Sister to Volunteer with Leon County Schools. Or contact AK Sister Gale Workman. Gale can facilitate a mentoring match with AK certified Volunteer, 850-228-1867, gale_workman@hotmail.com. (BTW: Gale is certified as a Volunteer. If you'd like her to visit your school, please invite her!)

Gale is not only an excellent presenter but leads by example. She lives the life she manifests. Thank you, Gale, for being a role model for your AK Sisters.

(Note: These initiatives have been sent to you by email)

After the program, the members mingled and visited with each other while enjoying refreshments.