Area I: Membership

Purposes 1, 2, 3, 6

Goal 1: To recruit, orient, retain and reinstate members

- Recruit members by
 - expanding membership in all educational settings (e.g. health care, law, religion, corporate, etc.)
 - inviting prospective members to Society functions
 - tracking student teachers and recruitment grant winners to build future membership
 - o welcoming previously recommended candidates for membership
 - encouraging collegiate membership through local universities and colleges
 - encouraging racial, ethnic, age and religious diversity in our recruitment efforts

encouraging partnerships with professional educational organizations

- Orient members by
 - o inducting and mentoring members on an on-going basis
 - utilizing orientation and reorientation resources on the DKG International Website
- Retain members by
 - assisting relocating members and members of dissolved chapters to transfer membership
 - involving chapter members in programs, leadership opportunities and service to the community and the state
 - o offering child care and elder support during meetings
 - encouraging members of struggling chapters to contact state leaders for assistance
- Reinstate members by
 - o collecting and reviewing data of recently dropped members
 - o contacting former members to reinstate their membership

Goal 2: To mentor members and recognize accomplishments and service

- Mentor members by
 - attending chapter, state, regional and international events to promote fellowship
 - o promoting DKG projects to strengthen opportunities for mentorship
 - building relationships with other chapters and professional organizations to expand collegiality
 - establishing relationships and "job alike" mentoring with early career educators
- Recognize member accomplishments and service by
 - highlighting chapter events and member accomplishments at meetings, on social media, DKG ILSO Website and/or in the DKG ILSO Newscaster
 - o challenging members to publish in DKG and other publications
 - o commemorating the service of members who are deceased

o Area II: Communication and Marketing

Purposes 1, 2, 3, 6, 7

Goal 1: To promote frequent communication and marketing at all levels of the Society and with the community

- Promote communication by
 - preparing for chapter visits the first year of the chapter biennium and
 maintaining communication with state ambassador through the biennium
 - establishing and maintaining communication among all state committee members and chapter chairs
 - distributing chapter newsletters to all their chapter members, and DKG ILSO president, and state ambassador;
 - encouraging chapters to submit "Chapter News" to the DKG ILSO Newscaster
- Market the Society by
 - encouraging news releases, using social media platforms and/or distribution of informational flyers/brochures to potential members and the community to market chapter, DKG ILSO and DKG events
 - promoting coordinating councils and interaction among chapters through professional/social events and community projects
 - acknowledging donations to the Marion Medical Mission and UNICEF Schools for Africa
 - recognizing and supporting member and chapter projects

Goal 2: To utilize current trends in technology

- Utilize trends by
 - providing training and encouraging the innovative use of technology for communication
 - encouraging chapters to utilize electronic means for programs and/or including members at meetings
 - utilizing DKG ILSO (www.deltakappagamma.org/IL/) and International (www.dkg.org) Websites for information and downloading forms
 - o organizing and maintaining Society information electronically
 - o encouraging chapters to appoint web-watchers
 - encouraging chapters to develop and maintain websites and use social media
 - piloting a blog in at least one professional job-alike area across the state

Area III: Educational Excellence Purposes 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

Goal 1: To empower members

- Empower members by
 - encouraging applications for scholarships, stipends, awards, and grants at all levels of the Society
 - engaging in professional networking opportunities through partnerships with community, educational, and business organizations

- enhancing shared leadership skills in their professions and at all levels of the Society
- participating in chapter and DKG ILSO professional development opportunities
- Encourage members by
 - motivating and mentoring current and potential members to attain leadership skills in their professions and all levels of the Society
 - o participating in chapter, state, and international projects
 - recommending continued evaluation of chapter and DKG ILSO events
 - contributing and utilizing program ideas from state and international websites and publications

Goal 2: Promote educational excellence by

- promoting a variety of professional and personal growth programs, leadership seminars, and Professional Development (PD)-approved workshops that integrate the Purposes of the Society and current trends relevant to local and global education
- providing financial opportunities for professional and personal growth through scholarships, stipends, awards, grants
- encouraging individuals to attend and empowering members to present workshops at chapter, state, and international events

Area IV: Resource Development Purposes 5, 6, 7

Goal 1: Educate by

- o informing members of income, expenses and funds
- practicing responsible management of fiscal resources
- providing information on opportunities to contribute to chapter, Lambda state and International funds

Goal 2: Encourage development by

- updating and simplifying DKG ILSO Bylaws/Lambda State Standing Rules twice annually and Chapter Rules biennially
- creating and utilizing chapter yearbooks
- encouraging the use of orientation/training materials
- utilizing chapter membership profiles annually
- providing business meetings that are well organized and kept to a minimum amount of time
- o updating member profile on the DKG website

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