

THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL
Alpha Iota State / Michigan
Fall Executive Board Meeting – October 9, 2009
Radisson Hotel & Conference Center Detroit-Livonia, Michigan

I. **Call to Order** - President Jackie Smart called the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m. after being informed a quorum was present.

II. **Members Present:**

Officers/Committee Chairmen

President	Jacquelyn Smart
First Vice-president	Olive Horning
Second Vice-president	Gloria Richards
Recording Secretary	Kathy Muench
Corresponding Secretary	Shaila Jehle
Parliamentarian	Dr. Helen Popovich
Treasurer	Loretta Miles
Executive Secretary	Sally Garrison
Editor/The <i>Wolverine</i>	J-Jay Pechta
Immediate Past President	

Society Business

Expansion/Membership	Claire Rettenmund
	Lynne Elsesser
Personnel	Elizabeth VanWestenburg
Approve Minutes	Gloria Fisher

Program of Work

Program	Olive Horning
Personal Growth and Service	Dr. Dorothy Sample
Professional Affairs	Nina Keener
Research	Kathy Taylor
Music	Nancy Everett
	Nancy Tetzlaff
Legislation	Judy Foster
Women in the Arts	

	Theresa Sedmak
	Ranae Beyerlein

Educational Services

Communications	Margaret Meehan
Scholarships/Grants	Olga Albert
Coordinating Councils	Eileen Rodak
	Mary Sass
Wilma Adams	Sharilyn Hadden

Technology/Webmaster

Tamara Webster

Special Committees

Funding Our Purposes	Judi Fisher
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Chapter Presidents-at-large

Fall Workshop: 2009 Livonia

Chair/Registrar:	Judi Fisher
Treasurer:	Cindy Dietz

Past State Presidents

Sally Garrison
Eileen Rodak
Helen Popovich
Judy Foster
J-Jay Pechta

Chapter Presidents

Alpha	Alice Andre
Beta	Dorothea French
Gamma	Sally Wood
Kappa	Elizabeth Frazier
Lambda	Nina Keener
Mu	Dorothy Sample
Nu	Gloria Fisher
Omicron	Diane Dray
Pi	Mary Working
Pho	May Sisson
Sigma	Kathleen Flynn
Upsilon	Joanne Gardner
	for Carrol Flinchbaugh
Phi	Judy Oien
Psi	Arlene Obetts
	Loretta Miles
Omega	Barbara Souve
Alpha Beta	Sandy Lewis
Alpha Epsilon	Ellen Eisele
Alpha Theta	Theresa Sedmak
Alpha Kappa	Rosemarie Johnson
Alpha Lambda	Anne Wade

Alpha Mu Ranae Beyerlein
for Jill Chochol

Alpha Xi Claudia Werner
for Joy Shoemaker

Alpha Rho Sarah Inwood

Alpha Phi Barbara Leonard- Samra

Alpha Omega Claire Rettenmund
for Christine Conley-Sowels

Beta Alpha Julie Pease

Beta Beta Bernice Haglund

Beta Delta Mary Roley

Beta Epsilon Nancy Moses

Beta Eta Barbara Bakewell
for Dorene Finer

Beta Theta Barbara Coscarelly

Beta Iota Kathy Taylor

Beta Kappa Pat Little

Beta Lambda Gretchen Orr

Beta Rho Susan Helser

Beta Tau Lorraine Fisher

Beta Phi Lynn Kosto

Beta Chi Melanie Livingston

Beta Omega Lynn Dinning

Gamma Alpha Carol Anderson
for Mary Frances Saenz

Gamma Gamma Alice Chrenko

Gamma Delta Sally Garrison

Gamma Eta Barbara Beckers
for Brenda Ingersoll

Gamma Theta Pat Poggi

Absent Members:

Society Business

Celebration of Life Nancy Higgins

Leadership Development Sharleen Gonzalez

Finance Mary Tracey

Nominations Dr. Theresa Lorio

By-Laws/Standing Rules Ann Elmer

History Pat Charlton

Chapter Visitation Fran Saenz

Strategic Planning Dr. Paula Dent

Educational Services

World Fellowship Maria Gonzalez
Julie Kowalski

Historical Documents Marlene Veldheer
Mary Tracey

Chapter Presidents-at-large

Beta Beta Bernice Haglund

Alpha Lambda Anne Wade

Alpha Tau Nancy Berkompas

Past State Presidents

Dr. Naida Dostal

Miss Betsey Cooper

Mrs. Marie Grassa

Dr. Paula Dent

Dr. Betty Brogan

Dr. Helene Zimmerman

Mrs. Marlene Veldheers

Mrs. Sharleen Gonzalez

Mrs. Mary Tracey

Mrs. Nancy Berkompas

Chapter Presidents

Delta Nancy DeCaire

Epsilon Cheryl TenBrink
Carol Powell

Zeta Michele Valant

Iota Olivia Williams

Tau Helene Zimmerman

Chi Judy Oien
Sharon Torgeson

Alpha Alpha Maxine Keene

Alpha Gamma Theresa Soloman

Alpha Eta Juva Lea Tomlison

Alpha Iota Kaye Stiglich

Alpha Omicron Shirley Paley

Alpha Pi Alison Dedrick

Alpha Tau Nancy Berkompas

Alpha Upsilon Laurie Sykes

Beta Mu Barbara Reehl

Beta Xi Martina Bertoni

Beta Omicron Mary Tracey

Beta Pi Heather Essex

Beta Sigma Marilyn Pfister

Beta Upsilon Andrea Jozwiak

Gamma Beta Maria Gonzalez

Gamma Zeta Pat Muessig

III. The Head Table was introduced.

IV. Dr. Helen Popovich read the Executive Board Meeting Rules.

V. Kathy Muench presented the Executive Board Minutes of May 1st and 3rd, 2009. Hearing no corrections, President Smart stated the Minutes were approved and would be placed on file.

VI. Officer Reports

- A. **President** Smart gave her report on activities since taking office. She attended the N.E. Regional Conference and the required meetings for newly elected state presidents. All state offices are filled. She attended PAC changeover in June, and presided at the August PAC meeting. She will continue the Members Supporting Members Project. Another raffle will be held with a time share in Florida or Hawaii in 2010 or 2011 to be the prize. The winner will be announced at the Spring Executive meeting on Sunday, May 2nd, 2010. Guidelines for the President's Award and the Award of the Rose are in the presidents' packets. President Smart has appointed Judi Fisher as Funding Our Purposes Chairman to organize and coordinate our fund raising projects that benefit Members Supporting Members, World Fellowship, and Scholarships.
- B. **First Vice-president** Olive Horning reported that she attended the N. E. Regional Conference and attended the Program Chairman pre-conference training. She reviewed material on the yearbook evaluation that is due Dec. 1st. She is in need of additional readers for the yearbook evaluations.
- C. **Second Vice-president** Gloria Richards spoke about the Distinguished Service Award and the Friend of Education Award.
- D. **Recording Secretary** Kathy Muench will be selling raffle tickets for the Members Supporting Members Fund. The raffle prize is a week's stay in Florida or Hawaii during 2010 or 2011.
- E. **Corresponding Secretary** Shaila Jehle expressed pleasure in the acceptance to the use of E-mail for reports. Anyone with information for the President's newsletter is asked to remember the deadline is the 20th of each month. If hard copies are desired by any chapter, please inform Shaila. It was suggested that if the brown envelopes used for the president's packet were returned, they could be recycled.
- F. **Immediate Past President** – President Smart shared she had spoken with Jean Gray at the N.E. Regional Conference. Jean explained that J-Jay Pechta could not hold both positions of Immediate Past President and Editor of the *Wolverine*. Therefore, there will be a vacancy in the Immediate Past President's position. It is the duty of the Immediate Past President to arrange the Presidents' Procession at the state convention. As President, Jackie can assign someone to take charge of the task. She has appointed J-Jay Pechta.

VII. Personnel Reports

A. Treasurer Loretta Miles reported there was \$4693.94 in the checking account. Currently, there is \$66.65 in the savings account. All necessary forms for treasurers can be found on line.

B. Executive Secretary Sally Garrison asked for corrections to the name place cards. The yearbooks are due Dec. 1st. The evaluation form is online. Sally's notebook is available for questions you may wish to ask her. The following are future society dates.

PAC	February 27, 2010	Lansing Lexington
Alpha Iota Convention	April 30-May 2	Grand Traverse Resort Spa
International Convention	July 20 – 24, 2010	Spokane, WA
Seminar in Purposeful Living	July 15 – 18, 2010	Tacoma, WA
PAC	Mid-August	Lansing Lexington
Spring Convention	April 15-17	Crown Plaza – Romulus

A motion was presented by Judy Foster, Upsilon.

I move that the 2010 Fall Executive Board Meeting and Workshop Conference be held at the Doubletree Hotel – Riverfront in Bay City, MI on October 1-2, 2010.

Seconded and carried. (**Correction:** *Due to subsequent site unavailability on October 1-2, the date was changed to October 15-16, 2010. Executive Board members were informed, there were no objections to the change.*)

C. Wolverine Editor J-Jay Pechta announced October 15th as deadline for the Wolverine. J-Jay requested Chapter news and photos for the publication. The next deadline is December 1st.

VIII. Standing Committee Reports/Announcements

A. Society Business

1. Membership/Expansion Claire Rettenmund & Lynne Elsesser Claire Rettenmund, Alpha Omega, presented the following motion from the Membership/Expansion Committee.

**On behalf of the Expansion/Membership Committee,
I move that the Executive Board dissolve the Beta Mu Chapter and that the name Beta Mu be held for future use.**
Carried.

Lynne Elsesser, Gamma Alpha, presented the following motion from the Membership/Expansion Committee.

**On behalf of the Expansion/ Membership Committee,
I move that the Executive Board dissolve the Beta Upsilon Chapter and that the name Beta Upsilon be held for future use.**
Carried.

2. Personnel – Elizabeth VanWestenburg introduced. No report.

3. **Finance** – Shaila Jehle, Alpha Theta and member of Finance committee, presented the following motion for the finance committee.
I move to accept the budget as presented by the Finance Committee. Carried.
 4. **By Laws/Standing Rules** – Dorothy Sample reported for Ann Elmer. In 2007, the International Constitutional Committee suggested the By Laws/Standing Rules Committee of the state come up with a way to evaluate the By Laws/Standing Rules of each state chapter. Ann’s report read that a copy of the 2009 By Laws/ Standing Rules had been given to each chapter president and committee chair. The By Laws/Standing Rules will also be on the website, with thanks to Margaret Meehan. Additional copies can be purchased for \$1 from Ranae Beyerlein.
 5. **Approve Minutes** – Gloria Fisher was introduced. No report.
 6. **Chapter & Council Visitation** Carol Anderson reported for Fran Saenz. A form to request visitations from state officers is in the packet.
 7. **Strategic Planning**– Judy Foster read the following report for Paula Dent. “The Strategic Planning Committee is currently informally reviewing our Alpha Iota State Strategic Plan. It is felt that a formal review should be held off until after the International Convention when things may change in the Society. Those modifications may affect state operations and require modifications in our official documents (in time). Since the Strategic Planning Committee would need to evaluate those (International) changes in order to make recommendations to the state, we must wait until we know what members actually approve and don’t approve in Spokane.”
 8. **Other Special Committees**
 - a. **Chapter Presidents-at-large** – Lynn Kosto was introduced. No report.
 - b. **Funding Our Purposes**- Judi Fisher announced the World Fellowship sales would be open from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday and the ticket drawing done before lunch. If your chapter donated a basket or an item, fill out a form so that your chapter will be given credit for the donation. In addition to World Fellowship items, there will be pin sales, raffle tickets for Members Supporting Members and other items from individual chapters for sale.
- B. Program of Work** – Olive Horning
1. **Conference Update** - Judi Fisher reported there were 131 registered and 24 first timers.

2. **Personal Growth and Services** – Dr. Dorothy Sample is in need of two more committee members. She shared that ideas from International that tie in with the new theme “Visions to Action Advancing the Society” were available at the display. She also announced that the deadline date for Chapter Women of Distinction and Alpha Iota Woman of Distinction Awards had been changed to March 15th.
 3. **Professional Affairs Chair** – Nina Keener – No report.
 4. **Research** – Kathy Taylor – No report.
 5. **Music** – Nancy Everett and Nancy Tetzlaff – No report.
 6. **Legislation/US Forum** – Judy Foster invited all to attend the Leg./ US Forum session. She then introduced Elaine Christensen, NE Regional US Forum Representative. Elaine invited all to attend the US Forum in Washington, D.C. March 14-17th. Registrations forms are available.
 7. **Women in the Arts** – Ranae Beyerlein and Theresa Sedmak- Many activities are planned for the weekend of Oct. 23-25th. There are still openings.
- C. **Second Vice President** – Gloria Richards
1. **Communications** – Margaret Meehan shared the new guidelines for chapter newspaper assessment. There is a hard copy in the packet or the information can be found on line. Send one copy of a September, October, November or December newsletter electronically, if possible, to Margaret Meehan by February 1, 2010.
 2. **Scholarships/Grants** – Olga Albert announced she would be doing a session on Scholarships and Grants. She asked us to support the 50/50 raffle which supports scholarships and grants.
 3. **Coordinating Councils** – Eileen Rodak and Mary Sass. Eileen suggested that Coordinating Councils might like to get together after this meeting. There are now 10 CCs statewide. Please inform the state committee of any Coordinating Council meetings so that they may attend and lend support.
 4. **Wilma Adams** – Sharilyn Hadden said she would be discussing the Wilma Adams Fund at the morning session. The form for the fund is in the packet. Remember to purchase items for sale to help support this fund.
 5. **Technology/Webmaster** – Tamara Webster reported that the afternoon technology sessions were well attended and successful. President Smart added comments acknowledging the fine job Tamara has done with our state website.

IX. New Business – President Jackie Smart

A. Eileen Rodak brought up the fact that postage on publications, such as our *Wolverine*, was going up considerably. Eileen made the following motion.

I move that the *Wolverine* be reformatted to a new size for future publications via E-mail and Internet. Seconded.

Discussion: J-Jay Pechta noted that in order for the *Wolverine* to go on the Internet, we must go to a different size than we are currently using. If we go to a magazine-type

paper for \$15 more than the offset printing paper we are currently using for 2500 issues, we can save almost ¾ oz. in mailing weight. We would be able to recover a third of the mailing cost we are paying now. This modification is being investigated in an effort to continue to provide our “high quality” *Wolverine* at a lower cost. J-Jay visited the printer to learn how to transport contents to him electronically. Loretta Miles brought up the previous *Wolverine* costs. J-Jay explained that printing cost for the *Wolverine* last year was \$13,435. Postage was in addition to this cost. Question from the floor – Will it be available on line? J-Jay explained, “To start with it would be mailed. In the future, E-mail or Internet would be an option.” Judy Foster questioned the number of pages. J-Jay explained the current 64 pages of 5 x 7” text would be equivalent to eight 11 x 17” pages back to back with even more print space available.

Hearing no more discussion, President Smart reread the motion and it passed.

B. Nancy Everett, Alpha Xi, Music Co-Chair made the following motion.

When two or more co-chairs travel together to a PAC meeting and the travel mileage is 150 miles or more one way, I move to have the co-chair who is the driver have her stipend paid in full rather than the current half payment due to the excessive distance traveled.

Seconded.

Discussion: After much discussion, it was felt it could be worked out, but should be referred to the Finance Committee.

Eileen Rodak made the following motion.

I move that we table the motion. Seconded. Passed.

X. **Announcements** – Claire Rettenmund was asked to share the Membership tri-fold for the Shoe-in Challenge. Cascade, Metro and Northern Lights Councils announced their meeting time and place.

XI. **Adjournment** – President Smart adjourned the meeting at 9:53 p.m.

Approved to be placed on file

Date

Kathy Muench Alpha Iota State Recording Secretary

Gloria Fisher Alpha Iota Approve Minutes Chairman
Jeannie Link-Johnson Approve Minutes Committee