



**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL
ALPHA CHI NEVADA STATE
VIRTUAL TONOPAH FALL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING (via Zoom)**

September 17, 2022 9:00 A.M.

Call to Order – Cheryl Anderson (Delta), State President
Pledge of Allegiance – Candy Rooney (Delta), State Historian
Inspiration – Jill Murphy & Janie Kimble (Kappa Co-Presidents)
Attendance Raffle
Autumn Scratch-offs
Cartoons & Quotes
Acknowledgment & Recognition of Achievement
**Delta Rose Outstanding Achievement Awards*

SOCIETY BUSINESS

1. **Parliamentary Procedure Directives** – Judy Silker (Nu), State Parliamentarian
2. **Attendance** - Maxine Emm (Delta), State Secretary

State Officers in Attendance:

Cheryl Anderson (Delta), President __X__; Karen Laskowski (Gamma), 1st Vice President __X__; Pat Goeppinger (Gamma), 2nd Vice President __X__; Maxine Emm (Delta), Secretary __X__; Heidi Hull (Omicron), Treasurer __X__; Judy Silker (Nu), Parliamentarian __X__

Chapter Presidents in Attendance:

Gemma Romo & Melinda Whitney (Alpha) __X__; Irene Chachas (Beta) __No__; Cindy Frazer (Gamma) __X__; Maxine Emm (Delta) __X__; Jennifer Neeman & Barbara Bernstein (Epsilon) ____; Jane Barnes & Terrie Camenisch (Theta) __X__; Jill Murphy & Janie Kimble (Kappa) __X__; Linda Scribner (Lambda) __X__; Ann Standley (Nu) __X__; Christi Pagni (Xi) __X__; Maria Miller (Omicron) __X__

Chapter Members in Attendance:

Alpha __2__; Beta __0__; Gamma __3__; Delta __3__; Epsilon __1__; Theta __2__; Kappa __1__; Lambda __1__; Nu __3__; Xi __2__; Omicron __3__

DKG Nevada State Active Past Presidents in Attendance:

Susan Capistrant (Theta) __No__ ; Maxine Emm (Delta) __X__ ; Judy Silker (Nu) __X__ ;
Marlene Killion (Omicron) __X__ ; Dorothy Todd (Nu) __No__ ; Sharon Cathey
(Lambda) __No__

State Committee Chairs in Attendance:

Membership Chair: Karen Laskowski (Gamma) __X__
Necrology Chair: Karen Laskowski (Gamma) __X__
Finance Committee Chair: Linda Getschman (Nu) __X__
Communication's Chair: Maxine Emm (Delta) __X__
Webmaster: Cindy Frazer (Gamma) __X__
The Nevadagram Editor: Pat Goeppinger (Gamma) __X__
Nominating Committee 2021-2023: Karen Laskowski, South (Gamma) __X__ ; Pat
Hutson, North (Nu) __No__ ; Jill Murphy, Outlying (Kappa) __X__
Committee to Approve Minutes (Virtual Tonopah Executive Board meeting September
25, 2021): Linda Scribner (Lambda) __X__ ; Karen Laskowski (Gamma) __X__ ; Dorothy
Todd (Nu) __No__
Historian: Candy Rooney (Delta) __X__
Educational Excellence & Nevada Apple Chair: Pat Goeppinger (Gamma) __X__
Rose of Recognition Chair: Pat Goeppinger (Gamma) __X__
Exemplary Service Award: Pat Goeppinger, Chair (Gamma) __X__ ; Cheryl Anderson,
State President (Delta) __X__ ; Carol Cardillo (Theta) __No__ ; Cecelia Neroda
(Xi) __No__ ; Heidi Hull (Omicron) __X__ ; Karen Laskowski, Alternate (Gamma) __X__
Gold Key Chair: Cheryl Anderson (Delta) __X__
Martha Schultz Doctoral Scholarship: Cheryl Anderson (Delta), State President __X__ ;
Heidi Hull (Omicron), State Treasurer __X__ ; Susan Capistrant (Theta), Past State
President __No__
Annie Webb Blanton State Scholarship Chair: Leta Rabenstine (Xi) __X__
DKGIEF Emergency Fund Chair: Marlene Killion (Omicron) __X__
Arts & Humanities Jury, Nevada Representative: Ardynne Sprinkle (Theta) __X__
Bylaws & Chapter Rules Revisions' Chairs: Judy Silker (Nu) __X__ & Marlene Killion
(Omicron) __X__
Leadership Chair: Marlene Killion (Omicron) __X__
US Forum Southwest Regional Nevada Representative: Pat Goeppinger (Gamma) __X__
DKGIEF World Fellowship Chair: Pat Goeppinger (Gamma) __X__

MOTION 1: Candy Rooney (Delta) made a motion and Christi Pagni (Xi) seconded the motion for a flexible agenda to be implemented in the current meeting due to internet difficulties with the zoom program today. The motion was passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Committee to approve minutes for the September 25, 2021 Zoom Executive Board Meeting (Virtual Tonopah) are:

Linda Scribner (Lambda) Karen Laskowski (Gamma)
Dorothy Todd (Nu)

The minutes were approved as posted/distributed for the September 25, 2021 meeting.

3. **Committee to Approve Minutes for September 17, 2022, General Session Zoom Meeting:** Ann Standly (Nu), Jane Barnes (Theta), and Jill Murphy (Kappa) were selected for the committee to approve minutes for the September 17, 2022 meeting.
4. **President's Report – Unity & Collegiality:** Cheryl Anderson (Delta)
Cheryl attended the International Convention in New Orleans with Maxine Emm (Delta), Marlene Killion (Omicron), Barbara Bernstein (Epsilon), and Judy Merz (Epsilon).
5. **Membership Report:** Karen Laskowski (Gamma), State 1st Vice President. It was reported that we have 170 Members in Nevada with 158 Active and 12 Reserve.
According to the State Membership Initiative, each Chapter will personally invite two prospective members to attend a meeting.
6. **Necrology Report:** Karen Laskowski (Gamma), State 1st Vice President. It was reported that we had two members pass this year. Carol Muller (Theta) on June 2, 2022 and Helen Elaine Roher on July 4, 2022. The Chapter Necrology report is due to Karen Laskowski by March 1, 2023.
7. **Treasurer's & Finance Report:** Heidi Hull (Omicron), State Treasurer & Linda Getschman (Nu), State Finance Chair. It was reported that we have \$9,824 in our Bank Account. We have \$6,755 in the Annie Webb Blanton Scholarship account with \$400 being paid out this past year. We have \$1,991 in the Permanent Fund. There is \$30,070 in the Martha Schulz account.
Linda Getschmann (Nu) gave an okay to the report.

MOTION 2: Pat Geoppinger (Gamma) made a motion to adopt the proposed 2022-23 budget and Leta Rabenstein made a second. The motion was passed.

8. **Nominating Committee 2021-2023 Report:** Karen Laskowski, South (Gamma); Pat Hutson, North (Nu); Jill Murphy, Outlying (Kappa). The Nominating Committee needs to fill the Executive Board slate by December 1. Nomination forms will be sent out soon and the Nomination slate needs to be posted a month before the State Convention.
The Offices that need to be filled are:
President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary, and a Nominating Committee for the Northern Area, Southern Area, and Outlying Areas.
9. **State Website Report:** Cindy Frazer (Gamma), Webmaster. The Chapter Websites must be certified by October 31. Nu Chapter has already certified their Website with International. In addition, member profiles must be updated individually. You need to go to the International Website and use your member # to login and there is a password available from Cindy if you have not created your own password yet.
10. **"The Nevadagram" Report:** Pat Goeppinger (Gamma), Editor. There will be two regular editions of "The Nevadagram" each year. Focus editions of "The Nevadagram" will be sent out for specific topics at other times of the year. The submissions from Chapters to "The Nevadagram" are flexible as long as the edition is not completed and ready to publish. Chapter Presidents must have photo releases for all individuals in pictures sent to "The Nevadagram".
Chapter articles for "The Nevadagram" need to be posted by March 1, 2023.
11. **Historian's Report:** Candy Rooney (Delta), Historian. Chapter Presidents need to have photo releases for all individuals that are in photo submissions every year. The State Historian is

asking for the following regarding Chapter Yearbooks by February 15, 2023.

- 1) A List of Chapter Officers for the Year
- 2) A List of Meeting Dates
- 3) One or Two Group Pictures of the Chapter or Activities.

12. **Educational Excellence & Nevada Apple Report:** Pat Goeppinger (Gamma), Chair. State President Cheryl Anderson has Educational Excellence ideas listed on the State website. The International Website also has projects listed for Chapters to use as a resource for Educational Excellence.

The Nevada Apple Award information will be sent out to the Chapters. Each Chapter will present a "Golden Apple Award" to a qualifying teacher, classroom, or school and the award and criteria are determined by each Chapter.

The Nevada Apple Awards must be presented by May 30, 2023.

13. **Communications Report:** Maxine Emm (Delta), Chair.

For an Outstanding Communication Award, a Chapter will do the following:

- a. Maintain a current and updated Website for the Chapter and the it must be linked to the DKG International Website.
- b. Create and distribute four Chapter Newsletters to Chapter members, the State President, "The Nevadagram" editor, the State Webmaster, and the State Communications Chair prior to the State Convention.
- c. Each Chapter should submit articles about Chapter News to "The Nevadagram" Editor for publication in at least one of "The Nevadagram" newsletters.

For an Honorable Mention Award, a Chapter will do the following:

- a. Create and distribute a minimum of two Chapter Newsletters to Chapter members, the State President, "The NevadaGram" editor, the State Webmaster, and the State Communications Chair prior to the State Convention.
- b. Maintain a Chapter Website and link to the DKG International Website.

All Communication information is due by March 1, 2023.

14. **Gold Key Report:** Cheryl Anderson (Delta), State President. Standing rules will be established for the Gold Key. Maxine Emm, Emily Ladner, and Judy Merz agreed to be on the committee. The Gold Key application for 2022-23 is due by March 1, 2023.

15. **Chapter Rules Revisions & State Standing Rules Report:** Judy Silker (Nu), Co-Chair & Marlene Killion (Omicron), Co-Chair. Proposed changes are as follows:

Standing Rule 2.01 Each chapter president shall provide the state president and state historian with a current officer list and meeting dates in the fall of each year.

Standing Rule 2.03 State Executive Board minutes are no longer read at the Chapter meetings, nor do they need to be filed. The minutes are now posted on the State website.

Standing Rule 2.05 An Annual Chapter Report should submit the Chapter Officer report to International and to the State President. A Chapter Necrology Report should be submitted to the Membership Chair prior to the State Convention.

Standing Rule 3.05 The State President shall appoint a State Historian for the biennium. Her duties shall be to keep materials of historical value contributed by the Chapters.

- Standing Rule 4.01 Yearly State Convention locations will be established by a 3-person committee. Due to a large membership in the north, Convention will be held three consecutive years in the north, then 1 year in the south. The committee will ask Chapters to share responsibilities of planning and hosting, i.e.: registrations, programs, décor.
- Standing Rule 5.03 “The Nevadagram” shall be published **at least twice a year** – to include a preconvention issue to be published at least one month before the State Convention.
- Standing Rule 5.04 ROSE OF RECOGNITION AWARD.
- A. Each chapter may select one outstanding member to receive the award.
 - B. The name of the member shall be sent to the Awards Chair by February 15th.
 - C. The Chapter President shall send information and a short biography about their select member to the State Awards committee chair, by February 15th.
 - D. The State Awards Chair shall send a complete list of names and biographies to the State President 15 days prior to the Convention.
 - E. Chapters may present their Rose of Recognition nominee with a DKG Rose guard pin.
- Standing Rule 5.06 NV APPLE AWARD.
- A. Each Chapter shall provide one Apple Award to a current educator per year.
 - B. Protocol, guidelines and monetary amount are at the discretion of each individual Chapter.
 - C. The State organization will provide certificates for each recipient.
 - D. Chapters may be required to share information about the Apple Award recipients at the State organization meeting.
- Standing Rule 5.07 GOLD KEY APPLICATION.
- The Gold Key will be awarded to individual Chapters annually at the State Convention. Criteria for the Gold Key application will be determined by the Gold Key committee.

16. **Rose of Recognition Report:** Pat Goeppinger (Gamma), Chair. Information for the Rose of Recognition Award has been sent out. The nominations are due February 15th. Each Chapter may nominate one deserving member.
17. **Exemplary Service Award Report:** Pat Goeppinger (Gamma), Chair. Information for the Exemplary Award has been sent out. The nomination forms are due by January 15th.
18. **Martha Schultz Doctoral Scholarship Report:** Heidi Hull (Omicron), Chair. This Trust Fund is established for Doctoral Scholarships awarded by Nevada Alpha Chi State.
19. **Annie Webb Blanton State Scholarship Report:** Leta Rabenstine (Xi), Chair. The deadline for the Annie Webb Blanton Scholarship is December 1. This Scholarship is for members to take a class for professional enrichment. It was suggested that a scholarship could even be used to attend an International Convention or a Regional Conference for DKG.

20. **DKGIEF/Emergency Fund Report:** Marlene Killion (Omicron), Chair. The DKGIEF/Emergency Fund reported collected \$15,115.60 at the International Convention. \$22,000 was used for members that requested funds for Natural Disasters at their residence. Form 84 is located on the International Website and should be given to the State President, who will then send to International.
22. **Leadership Report:** Marlene Killion (Omicron), Chair. The 2021-22 Leadership Event had 24 members including Chapter Presidents, Past State Presidents, Chapter Officers and members. Marlene Killion (Omicron) will be stepping down from her position as Leadership Chair. She expressed a thank you to Gwen Anne Thacker who was her co- chair.
23. **Southwest Regional US Forum Report:** Pat Goeppinger (Gamma), Nevada Representative. Pat Goeppinger reported that Mental Health Awareness seemed to be the major concern this year.
24. **Arts & Humanities Jury Report:** Ardynne Sprinkle (Theta), Nevada Representative. Nevada State will be hosting a Photography Contest for the State. "SNAP JUDGEMENT" requires that the person submitting the photo must be the person that took the picture. There will be a monthly prize and overall winners will be announced at the State Convention. Ardynne Sprinkle (Theta) is the contact person for the contest and her phone is 775-852-8209. The themes and submissions are due as follows:
#1 October 31 – "Autumn or the Change of Season", #2 November 30 – "Halloween or Greatfulness," #3 December 31 – "Pictures that tell a Story", #4 January 31 – "Winter", #5 February 28 – "Love, Caring, Affection".
26. **DKGIEF/World Fellowship Report:** Pat Goeppinger (Gamma). International reported that \$620,000 was granted during the 2021-22 biennium. It is recommended that Chapters or Individuals use the link on the International Website to contribute to the World Fellowship Fund and let Pat Goeppinger, World Fellowship Chair and Heidi Hull, Treasurer know the amount submitted for State records.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. **Alpha Chi Nevada State T-Shirts:** Pat Goeppinger (Gamma), State 2nd Vice President & Heidi Hull (Omicron), State Treasurer. It was suggested that T-Shirts be created and pre-ordered by members to be delivered to the State Convention.
- B. **Martha Schulz Doctoral Scholarship account:** No action was taken to establish interest bearing accounts for the Martha Schulz Doctoral Scholarship funds.
- C. **Pictures that Tell a Story project proposal - Alpha Chi Nevada State's first Arts & Humanities photo contest submissions:** Ardynne Sprinkle (Theta), Arts & Humanities Jury Nevada Representative shared the "Snap Judgement" contest.
- D. **State Standing Rules revision:** Judy Silker (Nu), Co-Chair & Marlene Killion (Omicron), Co-Chair
ACTION ITEM: The committee co-chairs ask that we discuss the nine changes to our State Standing Rules they've highlighted (as distributed to Executive Board) prior to presenting the amended document at State Convention for a vote from the entire membership to adopt/ratify. The action today will be to *vote whether or not to approve recommending passage of the standing rules revisions to our membership.*

MOTION 3: Marlene Killion motioned to recommend and approve the revised Standing Rule changes to be presented to the General Session at the Nevada Alpha Chi State Convention.
Christi Pagni seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. DKGIEF breakdown & methods to donate:** Cheryl Anderson (Delta), State President & Heidi Hull (Omicron), State Treasurer ask that members donate for any of the DKGIEF funds through the DKG donation link/portal with a credit card. Please do not send money or checks to Heidi. The amounts can be reported to the Committee Chairs and the Treasurer for a State Reporting.
- B. Slate of 2023-2025 State officers:** The State Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers for approval at the State Convention Executive Board meeting to recommend to the General Session membership. Please submit any candidates for state offices from your chapter to the committee. **The actual election of officers will take place at the State Convention General Session in March 2023. Nominations may be made from the floor and added to the slate presented by the nominating committee before the vote is taken.*
- C. Spotlight on Educational Excellence (EEC) & Leadership Links:** Cheryl Anderson (Delta), State President. Be sure to check State website for two new Chapter project/program ideas listed monthly by Cheryl on the Educational Excellence page.
- D. Artful Endeavors Webpage:** Cindy Frazer (Gamma), State Webmaster. Cindy Frazer is hosting an art display on the website for members to post picture of their hobbies and talents 1D, 2D, or 3D. This is not a contest. This is totally separate and different from Ardynne Sprinkle's photo contest.
- E. Good Neighbor Awards:** Cheryl Anderson (Delta), State President. Cheryl will send out the information to each chapter President if you'd like to give a Good Neighbor Award to qualifying students at your local schools.
- F. New User Focused; User Friendly DKG website redesign:** Dr. Judith Merz (Epsilon). This was postponed due to time.
- G. Discussion of hosting future state conventions & holiday luncheons; possible joint chapter hosts.** We voted on having a State Convention Committee of 3 people to work on finding venues. It was added to the Standing Rules.
- H. Tax Exempt Status:** Cheryl Anderson (Delta), State President has submitted an application to the State of Nevada for Nevada State DKG.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Annual Northern Nevada Holiday Luncheon hosted by Delta Chapter has been rescheduled for December 3, 2022, 11:30-2:00, @ the Carson Valley Inn, Minden. Invitations and registration forms are on the State Website.**
- *Members must update any changes to their contact information on the Society website (dkg.org) through their profile.**
- *Reminder: The official name of our state newsletter is "The Nevadagram".**
- *2023 Alpha Chi Nevada State Convention update – Xi Chapter. Xi Chapter asked Cheryl Anderson and Maxine Emm to locate a venue for the convention and then meet with Xi Chapter to discuss what the State needs for the convention program.**

ADJOURNMENT: 12:22 PM

DKG SONG

****Action may still be taken during this meeting on motions made from the floor after committee reports are given & discussions ensue, generating the possible need for a motion to be made & a vote taken.***

Respectfully,
Maxine Emm
Nevada State Secretary

