**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL**

**ALPHA MU, Chapter 36, Area 5, Brownsville, Texas**

**Business Meeting Minutes**

Saturday, March 3, 2018 9:00 A.M., Palo Alto Battlefield Meeting Room

*Hostess(es): Linda Little & Shelly Alonso*

**Presentation –** Palo Alto Battlefield Field Trip (Purpose: 4, 6, and 7)

**Call to Order** *Maria V. Gonzales*, President

**Collect** *Martha Warburton*, Second Vice President

**Roll Call** *Irene Avila*, Recording Secretary

* ***Officers and Members Present:*** *11*
* ***Guests: 0***

**Minutes of Previous Meeting** *Irene Avila*, Recording Secretary

* ***Minutes of the November 14, 2017 meeting were approved with corrections by****:*

1. *Kendall*  *Approved unanimously*

**Correspondence** *Diana Gomez*, Corresponding Secretary

* *No new correspondence*

**Treasurer’s Report** *Hilda Flores*, Treasurer

* E. Torres – collected dues from G. Rodriguez
* Cookie and Baked Goods raised about $444

**President’s Report**  *Maria V. Gonzales*, President

* Met March 1st deadline for Aspiring Educator
  + Norma G. Lopez nominated someone
* Continuation of current projects
  + Lending Libraries
    - L. Little expressed Lending Library has been challenging
    - Plaques are still pending
    - Scholastic Books – ordered and total $461.00 (200 books, received 40 bonus books=240 books total)
    - M. Gonzales donated a bag full of books – given to M. Crandall
    - Four Libraries
      * Moody Clinic
      * Good Neighbor Settlement
      * Brownsville Women’s Shelter
      * Children’s Museum
    - P. Segura will find and photograph DKG mobile Library located at Longoria Elementary.
    - L. Little motioned that Alpha Mu not do Lending Libraries through ASTEF instead revisit as a new project for ASTEF until April 1st 2019 - *Approved unanimously*
  + Garden Based Learning
    - Continuation of project motioned by P. Segura - *Approved unanimously*
      * P. Segura will photograph Garden Project at Castaneda Elementary, and she also mentioned that Vela M.S. has a garden as well.
      * P. Segura motioned expanding Garden Project to include Oliveira M.S. and Pace H.S. - *Approved unanimously*
      * M. Gonzales motioned chapter expand gardening project to include the sponsoring of $15 gardening boxes at Vela M.S. - *Approved unanimously*
  + Early Career Educators’ Care Packages
    - Eligible teachers are those with 3-5 years of experience in the classroom
    - M. Gonzales motioned to apply for ASTEF grant for Teacher Care Packages - *Approved unanimously*
* Conventions
  + State Convention June 14-16, 2018, Waco, Texas
    - Attending N. Nelson, H. Flores, N. G. Lopez, and M. Gonzales
    - One room has been reserved approximately $198
  + International Convention July 17-19, 2018, Austin, Texas
    - Attending M. Gonzales, H. Flores, N. Nelson, N. G. Lopez, E. Torres, L. Little
    - Registration fee $190 each
    - Two Rooms reserved
    - Vending table and attending sessions will be done in rotation by those attending.
  + M. Gonzales motioned that donation funds support expenses for registration, luncheon, and hotel for both conventions. - *Approved unanimously*
  + President is reimbursed $500 by chapter.

**Committee Reports & Deadlines**

* None

**New Business:**

* Grant-in-Aid for Futrure Woment Educators Scholarship
  + Recipient will be recognized during April 18th meeting
* Caps and Gowns for Grads
  + Reapply for ASTEF Grant (first generation graduates, hispanic, at-risk)
* M. Gonzales shared “Building Bridges” quotes
* “What’s on Your Plate” program – M. Gonzales will be sharing more in information at upcoming meeting regarding services available.
* G. Alonso will submit Newsletter article
* Visual arts display – P. Segura crochetted poncho turtleneck. Display form due April 15th.

Pictures due March 23, 2018 to Area Coordinator. Members should submit pictures to N. Nelson by March 21, 2018 to meet deadline.

* Annie Boards for State Convention – pictures are due April 1, 2018

**Birthday Raffle**

**DKG Song & Adjournment Time:** 11:10 A.M.

**Respectfully Submitted by:** Irene Avila, Recording Secretary

Minutes reviewed by

*Next meeting: April 18, 2018 Grant-in-Aid Recipient & Program Feedback for 2018-2019 at Antonio’s Restaurant at 6:00 P.M.*