



Pi State – New York

Spring Executive Board Meeting, The Century House, Latham, NY
April 21, 2018 (8:15 a.m.-10:30 a.m.)

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Minutes of Executive Board Meeting
The Century House, Latham
April 21, 2018 (Saturday) 8:20 a.m. – 10:05 a.m.

Present: (48 voting members) (See Attendance, Appendix DD)

- 6 Past Presidents
- 9 State Officers
- 13 State Chairs
- 36 Chapter Presidents/Representatives

Chapters Absent: (N=18):

#5-Epsilon	#10-Kappa	#12-Mu	#13-Nu
#21-Phi	#27-Alpha Gamma	#29-Alpha Epsilon	#31-Alpha Eta
#33-Alpha Iota	#48-Alpha Omega	#53-Beta Epsilon	#63-Beta Omicron
#65-Beta Rho	#69-Beta Phi	#71-Beta Psi	#75-Gamma Gamma
#77-Gamma Epsilon	#78-Gamma Zeta		

[1] Call to Order

President Harvey called the Pi State 72nd General Session of the Pi State Spring Executive Board meeting and Seminar of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International to order at 8:20 a.m. The President asked that all phones/mobile devices be silenced, and that any Board member that had not signed the attendance sheet before the meeting, to please see Lisa Huyck. The President also thanked all of the Chapters for their attendance. (Script Appendix C)

[2] Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Executive Secretary Karen Crumley.

[3] State EEC Music Representative, Vicky Stockton, had the members sing “**God Bless America,**” as she signed the song.

[4] Secretary’s Report

Lisa Huyck, Pi State Secretary, announced that 48 people were eligible to vote today.

[5] Introductions and Recognitions

The women at the head table were introduced by President Harvey. This included all members of the State Executive Committee: 1st Vice President Sue Kenoyer; 2nd Vice President Jennifer Lee-Alden; Secretary Lisa Huyck; Treasurer Suzanne Patrick; Immediate Past President Deborah Bedard; State Editor Katja Stevens; Executive Secretary Karen Crumley; and Parliamentarian Ellie Robinson.

Seated at the table with the Past Pi State Presidents is Joan Slagle, our FDF (Financial Development Fund) Administrator. The Past Pi State Presidents attending besides Joan Slagle are Ann-Marie Carlson, Dr. Margarethe McCurry, Jane Tanner, Dr. Andréa Morris, and Jeanne Schenk. President Harvey welcomed all and extended a thank you for the service given to Delta Kappa Gamma.

At the side table are the time keepers: Jan Przybylski, *Alpha Rho* (SC); Ginny Nightingale, *Alpha Nu* (C); and Rose Ann Hickey, *Beta Mu* (N). President Harvey thanked them for their help today.

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[6] Quorum Call and Rules of Debate

Ellie Robinson, State Parliamentarian informed the attendees that a quorum was 25 votes, and if a two-thirds vote was required, it would need 32 votes. She explained the “new technology” at the timer’s table being used—flashing lights indicate one-minute remaining, where as a steady light meant time is up. The reading of the “*Rules of Debate*” (Appendix AA) for this meeting were dispensed with. They are in your folder in printed form. President Harvey thanked Ellie for her hard work.

[7] Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made to accept the revised Agenda as published in your folders, by Dr. Andréa Morris. This was seconded by Jane Tanner. The raising of red cards indicated the motion passed, and the Agenda was adopted. (Appendix A)

[8] Approval of April 29, 2017 Pi State Executive Board Meeting Minutes and the Corporation Meeting Minutes

The Minutes, from the meeting held in Cooperstown (Appendix B) have been distributed to all Executive Board members and have been approved by the Committee to Approve the Minutes. No discussion took place, and **the Minutes were accepted as printed.**

Three Board members have been appointed to serve on the Committee to Approve the Minutes of this meeting by President Harvey. This includes Sharon Patrick, *Alpha Kappa* (NC), Mary Brassard, *Psi* (N), and Kebby Clute, *Beta Theta* (EC). A thank you was extended from President Harvey and a round of applause was given to these women.

[9] Registrar’s Report

Karen Jones, the registrar for the Spring Executive Board Meeting and Seminar gave a count of 106 members registered. President Harvey thanked Karen for her leadership skills and hard work. As a token of our appreciation, a \$25 donation to the Pi State Educational Foundation has been made in her honor.

[10] Correspondence

Secretary Lisa Huyck read a thank you note received by Jane Tanner, the Treasurer of the Foundation, written to the Pi State Educational Foundation from Janice and David Elder, family of Bev Anker, a Past Pi State President. This was for all of the donations received her Bev’s name.

[11] Recognition of Chapters

Sue Kenoyer, 1st Vice President of Pi State, presented Chapter Birthdays to Chapters that had reached milestones. (Appendix C)

Beta, 80 years; *Lambda*, 70 years; *Phi*, 65 years; *Alpha Kappa*, 60 years; *Alpha Lambda*, 60 years; *Alpha Omega*, 55 years; *Beta Eta*, 50 years; *Beta Omicron*, 45 years; *Gamma Delta*, 30 years; *Gamma Epsilon*, 25 years; and *Gamma Zeta*, 25 years. Congratulations were extended to all to these Chapters.

[12] Executive Committee and Elected Personnel Reports

The Pi State Executive Committee and Elected Personnel gave a report, of no more than three minutes, excepting the President and Executive Secretary.

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[12.1] President (Appendix C)

A summary of the highlights of the President's Report: organizing and appointing the members of Ad-Hoc Committee of Pi State Financial Resources, thanking Suzanne Patrick, Chair, and the other members; plans for the 2019 Convention at the Ramada Inn in Geneva are underway—Carol Lord, *Beta Delta* (EC), will chair the Convention Committee, and Jane Morehouse, *Beta Delta* (EC) will be the Co-Chair; Jane Tanner, *Beta Kappa* (NC) was nominated for the Northeast Regional Director; and gathering input on opinions for the voting at International in July. Many opportunities and goals were also voiced.

[12.2] 1st Vice President (Appendix D)

Sue spoke of the many connections she encountered in the past year.

[12.3] 2nd Vice President (Appendix E)

Jen spoke of the Area Council meeting held in Oswego.

[12.4] Immediate Past President (Appendix F)

Deb spoke of *Alpha Theta*'s celebration.

[12.5] Executive Secretary (Appendix G)

A summary from Karen, involving important details about updates and the new directory (spiral bound); dates for the next year; room block at the Radisson is open (Fall 2018); explanation of the three days of LDS training in three separate locations; and tours and trips.

[12.6] Treasurer (Appendix H)

Suzanne spoke of the many financial reports provided as well as the budget for next year. Chapter Treasurers should look for a letter from her in August.

[12.7] Editor (Appendix I)

Katja thanked everyone for their help and outlined deadlines and requirements for photos and submitted copy for *Pi Lights*.

[12.8] Webmaster (Appendix J)

There is a new sheet outlining our website and all of the things it includes. President Harvey complimented Heidi on her great work.

[12.9] Financial Development Fund (FDF) Administrator (Appendix K)

Joan gave thanks to all who purchased merchandise. Over \$800 was made last night. She gave thanks to Suzanne Patrick for help with the "monies."

[12.10] Recommendations (Appendix C)

Pi State Secretary Lisa Huyck read the following recommendations from the Executive Committee to the Executive Board.

One: The Pi State Executive Committee recommends the appointment of Dr. Kathy Lavoie, *Psi* (N) and Annmarie Santorelly, *Zeta* (E) to the Verna Mulholland Friend of Education Board of Trustees for the term 2018-2023. There was no discussion, and the President asked red cards to be raised. **The motion passed.**

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Two: The Pi State Executive Committee supports the recommendation of the Pi State Finance Committee to publish one issue of *Pi Lights*, in the winter. Rationale: The proposed budget for 2018-2019 reflects no increase in dues. To avoid raising dues, there will only be one mailed published *Pi Lights* issue next year. The winter issue will contain the information for the Pi State 2019 Convention and the proposed changes to BYLAWS & Standing Rules. Of the four issues, three will be online, and the fourth will be mailed. Additional information will be on the State website. There was no discussion, and the **motion passed**.

Three: The Pi State Executive Committee recommends to the Pi State Executive Board to instruct the Treasurer to reallocate \$30,000 from the Pi State Scholarship line item to bring the Doris and Ruth Nickerson line items above base amounts. Rationale: The monies taken from the Pi State Scholarship will impact all members of Pi State through leadership development of Pi State Chapter Presidents (Doris Nickerson), State Chairs (Ruth Nickerson) and Executive Committee members.

There was much discussion:

- * Joan Slagle, *Beta Omega*, commented that the rationale was credible, but was concerned that monies dedicated to a fund should remain in that fund.
- * Point of clarification: \$54,000 will still remain in the Pi State Scholarship Fund after said transfer.
- * Mary Anna Russo, *Beta Eta*, stated that if monies were collected for a specific purpose, it won't be used for that purpose.
- * Jeanne Schenk, *Alpha Tau*, commented that all members are affected by the use of these two scholarships, through training.
- * Suzanne Patrick, *Rho*, stated that both of the Nickerson accounts are below their base amounts, and that training costs between \$5,000 and \$6,000 each summer. It would benefit all members in Delta Kappa Gamma.
- * Elizabeth Blashka, *Alpha*, felt that this was financially irresponsible, and poor money management. A specific system needs to be put in place to refurbish the funds.
- * Jennifer Lee-Alden, *Beta Omega*, agreed with both Joan and Beth. This is a plan to bring the accounts up to a zero balance, and then put some extra in them so that they can start earning interest, and that this is a plan to be financially responsible.
- * Jane Tanner, *Beta Kappa*, stated that a plan to move forward is needed. She would like to charge the Executive Committee to come up with a plan. She suggested the Past President's Push. This would involve letter writing to encourage donations, possible to all of the membership.
- * Joan Slagle, *Beta Omega*, stated her concern about setting a precedent. Perhaps the funds should be allowed to expire if the base amount is depleted. LDS would certainly not be considered as to not happen. She would not like to see this be a continuing round. Funds may need to be dedicated from the available Fund balance.
- * Time expired for debate at 9:14 a.m. and was not renewed. Point of clarification: The new format of LDS is an attempt to lower costs for training. Point of clarification: With the investments we have, when the market goes down, the amount of interest earned on these accounts does not happen.

President Harvey called for a vote. The vote was 27 in favor, 20 opposed and 1 abstention. **The motion passes.**

Point of Clarification: Maggie McCurry asked for a quorum recount and Parliamentarian Robinson restated that 25 was the necessary number.

[13] Committee and Special Reports

Point of Clarification: The time limit for these reports is two minutes, except for Personnel and Finance.

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Point of Clarification: Please give State Secretary Lisa Huyck a copy of ~~you~~ all reports for preparation of the Minutes and Pi State Records.

[13.1] Personnel

Grace Murphy, *Alpha Beta*, explained that the Personnel Committee was given three tasks to complete: Treasurer, Pi State Editor, and an evaluation tool for elected personnel. (Appendix L) Since it is a recommendation by the Personnel Committee to nominate Suzanne Patrick as State Treasurer, for a four-year term, July 1, 2018-June 30, 2022, we do not need a second. There was no discussion, a vote was taken, and **this motion passed.**

The Personnel Committee received no applications for Pi State Editor, 2018-2022, and a motion was entertained from the floor. **A motion was presented by Candace Pisterzi, Alpha Zeta in support of Kim Goldhirsch, Alpha Zeta. This was seconded by Leah Exner, Tau. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.**

The third task, an evaluation tool, is still in progress.

[13.2] Membership and Expansion

Sue Kenoyer, *Psi*, stated that her committee used a Chapter survey, and has placed many helpful documents on the State Website to help recruit, retain, and reinstate members. (Appendix M)

[13.3] BYLAWS AND RULES

Committee member Donna Yerdon, *Rho*, gave the report. Each chapter must update their BYLAWS and Standing Rules by June 30, 2019. They need to align with International. (Appendix N)

[13.4] Educational Excellence

Karen Jones, *Beta Omega*, gave the report. She reminded members that workshop proposals are due June 1. There is work on obtaining CTLE credit. (Appendix O)

[13.5] World Fellowship

Committee member Sue Genthner, *Alpha Alpha*, gave the report. There is a powerpoint on the website. (Appendix P)

[13.6] Finance

Dr. Sharon Kulhanek, *Alpha Lambda*, stated **the committee moves the adoption of the Pi State 2018-2019 Budget as presented. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.**

President Harvey received Sharon's resignation as Chair of this committee. This was accepted with regret and she was thanked for her years of service.

The President appointed Linda Flaherty, *Beta Gamma*, as Chair in 2018-2019. Sharon will complete her term as a member on the committee. (Appendix Q)

[13.7] Audit

Chair Jean Sekel, *Pi*, gave the report. She reminded registrars, and treasurers of Seminars and Conventions to check with her regarding information that was needed to be turned in at the end, and the reports that follow those events. (Appendix R)

[13.8] Communications and Publicity

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Chair Judy Wadsworth, *Alpha Alpha*, showed the new brochure that was developed. President Harvey recognized Judy for her leadership and to the committee for their dedicated research in creating the new Pi State Brochure – “Connect, Collaborate, Communicate.” (Appendix S)

[13.9] U.S. Forum Representative

Joan Slagle, *Beta Omega*, reported on the National Legislative Seminar. (Appendix K)

[13.10] Leadership Development

Co-Chair Dr. Marjorie Lovett-Scott, *Alpha Alpha*, gave the report. (Appendix U)

[13.11] Nominations

Diane Battaglia, *Beta Nu*, gave the report. (Appendix V)

[13.12] Pi State Educational Foundation

Ginny Dudko, *Tau*, President of the Board of Directors gave the report. Upon *Alpha Delta's* dissolution, money was received by the Foundation. A celebration of the Foundation's 15th Anniversary will be held at the Fall meeting on October 13, 2018 at the Luncheon. (Appendix W)

[13.13] CTAUN and DKG – UN/NGO

Lochie Musso, *Alpha Eta*, gave a brief report on the CTAUN Conference. (Appendix X)

[13.14] Ad Hoc Committee to Organize Pi State Headquarters (Est. 2011)

Joan Slagle, *Beta Omega*, gave a report. (Appendix K)

[13.15] Ad Hoc Committee on Pi State Financial Resources

Suzanne Patrick, *Rho*, gave a report. (Appendix Z)

[14] New Business

There was no new business presented.

[15] Announcements and Reminders

“LDS on the Road” registration forms are in your packets. These are due to Sue Kenoyer by June 1, 2018.

2018 Fall Executive Board Meeting and Seminar at the Radisson Inn in Corning is October 12-13. The registration form is in the Summer issue of *Pi Lights*.

Luncheon—numbers on pink tickets by name tag. Help with music invite by Vicki Stockton.

Please fill out your evaluation sheet.

Webinar on International and proposals to changes for BYLAWS and Standing Rules. 4/25, 5/8, and 5/19. Jane Tanner gave this information.

President Harvey thanked the Pi State Chapter Presidents for their hard work.

Other Committee Reports will be given during the Awards Luncheon.

[16] Adjourn

Hearing no further business to come before the Pi State Executive Board, the meeting is adjourned at 10:05 a.m.