

ALPHA IOTA MINUTES

February 6, 2016

This meeting was a combined meeting of Alpha Iota, Gamma Alpha and Gamma Psi. These three groups met at Jones Memorial Methodist Fellowship Hall in Lake City.

There were announcements by various chapter presidents with information for educators. Joanne Maples gave us information about Spivey Hall and educator discounts. Dr. Joyce Swofford informed us about a new book. The president of Gamma Psi said one of their chapter's projects is helping Henry County teachers. They also collected money for the Pregnancy Crisis Center in Henry County. Kay Shelhutt, president of Gamma Alpha, discussed distributing teacher bags for graduates in education at Clayton State.

Laura Michelle Woods, president of Alpha Iota, made announcements concerning various service projects for AI: Rainbow House, Liberia ministry and collecting clothes appropriate for job interviews for those women housed in women's shelters. Laura Michelle then presented the program of "Taking Britannica by the Horns", a power point presentation featuring teacher guides, videos, learning games, lesson plans that coordinated with standards.

After the program, each DKG group broke into separate groups to have their business meetings. Cheryl Goff read a thank you card from Merry Greenwood, former AI treasurer now in Florida. AI asked Deborah Bhanojirow about a donation in memory of her mother. Deborah would like the donation to go to New Day Church of the Nazarene Food Bank. Linda Holcomb also asked about the status of the check we send in support of a teacher in Liberia and AI treasurer, Debra Anderson, stated she would check.

Roll call was taken and cards were written to absentees. AI acknowledged the guests of Anita Thomaston: Devinn Hill, gifted teacher at Morrow Elementary and Clayton County Teacher of the Year and Trona Peoples, media specialist at Kilpatrick. Various state meeting dates were given: State Leadership in Macon on February 20; Delta Hostel in Thomasville, GA at cost of \$220; DKG International in Nashville - Cheryl Goff is attending and Leadership Institute on June 3 - 5.

Minutes were perused and Cathy Schreiber made a motion that minutes be approved as read with Anita Thomaston seconding. The motion carried. Debra Anderson gave the treasurer's report. The silent auction in December netted \$301.00. With dues also deposited the total as of February, 2016 was \$6,423.24. Kathy Acree made a motion to accept the treasurer's report with Cindy Thompson seconding. Motion carried.

AI then initiated two new members: Toni Holt and Alaenna Williams. Toni teaches at Banneker and Alaenna is a counselor with Atlanta Public Schools. Linda Holcomb, membership chair, presented initiates for membership. Laura Michelle presided over the ceremony with help from Cindy Thompson.

Lunch was catered by Mary Ellen with a blessing being given by Joyce Swofford of Gamma Alpha. As we finished lunch, door prizes were awarded and the meeting was adjourned.