Beta Epsilon Chapter of DKG, International, Sept 19, 2023 Meeting

The Beta Epsilon Chapter met at First Presbyterian Church, Cherryville, NC, on September 19, 2023, at 6:00. Eighteen members were present. Following a welcome by our president, a blessing was given by Louise Lomick. Dinner was followed by initiation of the following new members: Paige Henley, Media Specialist at Tryon Elementary, sponsored by Shelley Smith; Rexana Rhoney, EL Teacher in LCS, sponsored by Angela Herd.

President Beth Glover presided over the business meeting with the following committee reports:

Communications: Melanie Sherrill has updated the website.

Finance/Scholarship: Treasurer Cindi Ramseur reported the following: General budget amount of $5083.22 of which $1871.67 is designated for scholarship funds. She also clarified reserve dues are $30. of which$22 goes to international and $8 to chapter.

Outreach, Service, & Events: Ashley Dixon and her committee will meet to decide and report back to chapter regarding detail plans to recognize new teachers in the areas. Our scholarship fundraiser is scheduled for March 12, 2024, 6:00, at First Presbyterian, Cherryville, Crockpot Cookoff and Silent Auction.

NCED Foundation: Our chapter voted to give $100. to sponsor Dawn Emory's husband, Mark and son, Jerrod who will be representing our chapter in the golf tournament fundraiser. This foundation is instrumental in giving scholarships to teachers in the state for local needs. The motion to approve was given by Louise Lomick and seconded by Anne Haynes. State Officer Betty Mashall's grandson won the signed baseball lottery used to raise funds for this foundation in 2022.

Least of These, Carolinas will continue to be a designated project for the chapter this year. LOTC aids foster parents with clothing, toys,

funds and activities for foster children in our area. We will sponsor five children at Christmas for which each member is asked to contribute $30. as well as volunteer time when possible. Bags of Hope is another area for which there is an ongoing need for LOTC in providing new foster children with personal items as they move into their new foster homes.

Executive Board presented updates to Chapter Standing Rules to be reviewed and approved. After review and discussion, motion to approve was given by Laura Bone and seconded by Cindi Ramseur.

State Fall Executive Board Meeting in September was attended by our president, Beth Glover and vice-president, Dawn Emery.

We received Kelly Brown's request for resignation.
Dr. Judy Houser was placed in reserve status per her request.

Next meeting is on November 14, 2023, at First Wesleyan Church, Bessemer City, at 5:00. Honored guests will be State President Hilda Parker and Regional Director Rhonda Hager.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Sigmon, Secretary