## Meeting Minutes

The Beta Epsilon Chapter met at First Presbyterian Church in Cherryville on May 6, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. Dawn Emory called the meeting to order. Laura Bone greeted members and congratulated the new scholarship recipients, Ava Miller who will be attending Appalachian State, and Katie Grace Dobson who also plans to attend Appalachian State. Ava Miller was unable to attend our meeting because her softball team had their first game this evening.

Business: Dawn introduced our newly elected member, Kelsey Hensley, who was unable to attend as her daughter had a T-Ball game. We will plan to have her initiation in the fall meeting.

Dawn presented the certificates for years of membership for each of our members and congratulated several long-time members, including: Louise Lomick-33 years, Connie Bell-39 years, Becky Sigmon-42 years and Martha Stroupe-48 years. Dawn reminded us to contact those members who have been missing and encourage them to attend meetings.

.Cindi Ramseur presented the Treasurer's Report and said that we had a total of \$4,717.79 at present and of that \$2,281.17 was for Scholarships and \$2,436.62 was for Operational. We are giving two \$1000.00 scholarships this year. There were no questions about the report and we did not need to approve it.

Dawn welcomed Teresa Sain back to our meeting. Melanie reported her son is graduating. Dawn reported that we made \$2,297.00 on the Crockpot Cookoff fundraiser. Johnston Elementary School sent a Thank You for our donation to them for library books \$160.00 and school supplies, games, and chicken feed

Dawn thanked members for allowing her to go to the Leadership Conference. She learned a lot and particularly enjoyed the book she was given called, "Channel Your Inner Donkey". She reports "It's good to be stubborn". She will be glad to share the book with anyone who would like to read it. In talking with other attendees, Dawn was interested to hear of a fundraiser where you have a Community Spelling Bee and businesses compete in groups to spell.

Dawn brought free stuff from the Headquarters of DKG where she got to visit and did a scavenger hunt. She brought a notebook back for Paige, a history of DKG she brought to Beth and a DKG songbook she brought for Laura.

Dawn told members about the DKG North Carolina Convention in April. She said that Louise Lomick attended Saturday and our chapter qualified for the Rosebud award and we also qualified for a badge for maintaining membership plus one more this year. Dawn said that she would make a check-off list for the summer to help with achieving the Rose award. We also got an award for our newsletter, Dawn announced, and thanked Beth for her hard work. Beth asked for volunteers for the Spotlight and Leigh Herman volunteered.

Dawn announced that Ashley Dixon sent a thank you for the remembrance for her mother. Dawn also thanked Paige for creating an invitation for perspective new members. She thanked Laura and the scholarship committee for awarding the scholarships and contacting recipients. She also thanked the members who put together supper for the evening.

Dawn announced that if you would like to switch committees that you serve on to contact her so she can prepare for the Summer Planning meeting scheduled for June 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 at House of Pizza in Lincolnton.

Dawn adjourned the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by Dawn Emory.

Respectfully submitted.

Lynn Lifford

Secretary