

Minutes of Gamma Province Convention 2022

Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc.

The 2022 Gamma Province Convention of Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc., convened at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 24, 2022, at the Hilton Garden Inn in Beavercreek, Ohio.

Province Chairman, Char Garrett, called the meeting to order and introduced the 2022 Gamma Province Convention Coordinator, Terri Shaffer, Theta Mu, Eaton, Ohio. Terri introduced the Hotel Representative, Melissa Fewlass, who gave the welcoming address.

The Chair opened the business meeting with the Delta Opening Ceremony and Delta Prayer.

Following the Open Ceremony Junior Cruea, Gamma PEG introduced the following members that conducted the long form initiation ceremony:

Laura Haskins – Nu Alpha
Stephanie Johnson – Nu Alpha
Debbie Albin - Nu Alpha
Cheryle Hutzel – Nu Alpha
Debbie Smith – Nu Alpha
Judy Hathaway – Nu Alpha
Tanya Stover – Kappa Xi
Lisa Starr – Nu Alpha
Terri Shannon – Nu Alpha
Debbie Cole – Nu Alpha

Julie Callis, National President, conducted the Memorial Service

Geraldine Morgan, Gamma Pi, New Paris Ohio - MAL – 07/31/2021

Elaine Patrick, Gamma Pi, New Paris, Ohio – MAL – 08/09/2022

Mildred Jean Hanshew, Kappa Xi, Brookville, Ohio – Active - 07/09/2022

The Convention Secretary, Tanya Stover, read the Objective of the Province.

The Chair introduced our National Officers in attendance:

Julie Callis, National President
Karen Mace, Chairman, Board of Trustees
Kris Trapp, Third Member, Board of Trustees & Assigned Officer
Beth Wallis, Executive Secretary & Honorary Member
Doris Sanders, Editor of GRIT

The Chair introduced other National Committee members, Past National Officers, Past Province Chairmen, Honorary Members and Alumnae Associates who were in attendance.

Terry Riester - Past National President
Jean Claggett - Past National President & Past Province Chairman
Terri Shannon - Past National President, Delta Home Program, Directorate Treasurer, & Past Province Chairman
Lisa Starr - Past Province Chairman
Marilyn Dickerson - Past National Officer & Past Province Chairman
Junior Cruea - Past National Officer, Past Province Chairman & Current Province Expansion & Growth
Dana Anderson - Past Province Chairman
Sarah Dickerson - Past Province Chairman
Kim Fields - Past Province Chairman
Tanya Stover - Past Province Chairman
Zelda Maxel - Past Province Chairman
Laura Haskins - Past Province Chairman
Sandy Thomas - Past Province Chairman
Virginia Dearth - Past Province Chairman

The Chair introduced the Deltas serving this convention:

Convention Secretary – Tanya Stover
Sargent-at-Arms – Diana Hines
Page – Cindy Yelling
Teller – Jodi Neenan
Standing Rules Committee - Dana Anderson, Chairman
Jean Claggett
Lisa Starr
Philanthropy Committee – Tanya Stover, Chairman
Sharon Brown
Kim Fields

The Convention Secretary called the roll. Six (6) chapters and three (3) Past Province Chairmen were present for a total of ten (10) voting members present. The Chair declared a quorum was established.

There were two first-time delegates present.

The minutes of the 2021 Province Convention were approved by the Assigned Officer, Patty Jo Nierste, and were not read as no request was made. Also, there was no objection to changing the order of business if necessary.

Standing Rules Committee Chairman, Dana Anderson read the Convention Rules. The Convention Rules were adopted by all ten (10) voting members.

The Chair read the Preliminary Financial Report of Gamma Province. Final Report is attached.

Balance received from Previous Chairman: General Fund \$50.02

Philanthropy: \$300.00 - dues

General Fund: \$75.00 - dues

Disbursements: Postage \$9.72 – from General Fund

Total Balance: \$415.31

A motion was made to move \$65.31 from the General Fund to Philanthropy Fund leaving \$50 in the General Fund for 2023. Motion was made by Jean Claggett, Past National President, Kappa Xi, and Diana Siman, Xi Gamma Delegate seconded the motion. The Chair called for a vote and the motion carried.

The Standing Rules Committee Chairman, Dana Anderson reported there were nineteen amendments submitted to the Gamma Province Standing Rules.

AMENDMENT 1, Article II, Meeting, Section 2, Page 1

Amended to read: 2. The Convention City shall be chosen by a rotation cycle as follows, and allowing under exigent circumstance for rotation cycle to be altered if both chapters are in agreement. If the situation would warrant assistance with convention another chapter could host a social function.

AMENDMENT 2, ARTICLE II, Meeting, Section 3, Page 1

Amended to read: 3. Voting members shall consist of one (1) delegate from each chapter, present Gamma Province Chairman, and Past Gamma Province Chairmen from the previous five (5) years. If a Past Province Chairman has served more than one (1) term during the past five (5) years, she shall have only one (1) ballot as a Past Province Chairman. Eligible Province Chairmen serving as delegate shall have the privilege of casting one (1) ballot for herself as Past Province Chairman in addition to that as delegate of her chapter. Not to exceed a total of two (2) ballots. Past Province Chairmen who hold an Active membership and not an Associate or MAL membership would have a vote at meetings.

AMENDMENT 3, ARTICLE II, Meeting, Section 4, Page 1

Amended to read: 4. Accredited delegates from one-half (1/2) of the number of chapters in good standing shall constitute a quorum.

AMENDMENT 4, ARTICLE IV, Duties of the Province Chairman, Section 1-11 Page 2-3

Amended to read: 1. All duties as outlined in Article XIII, Section 6, of the National Bylaws of the Sorority.

AMENDMENT 5, ARTICLE V, Duties of Entertaining Chapter, Section 1, Page 3

Amended to read: 1. Submit three (3) dates in order of preference of Province Convention to the National Secretary by December 15, two (2) years prior to your Convention. The dates selected are to be between September 22 and November 30.

AMENDMENT 6, ARTICLE V, Duties of Entertaining Chapter, Sections 2-9, Pages 3-4

Amended to read: 2. The Entertaining Chapter is responsible for all of the duties as listed on pages 2.1 – 2.11 of the Province Chairman’s Handbook. The Province Chairman will send these duties to the Entertaining Chapter immediately after the Province Convention in which that chapter is selected.

AMENDMENT 7, ARTICLE VIII, Province Standing Rules Committee, Section 1 a, Page 5

Amended to read: a. The duties of this committee shall be to receive all proposed amendments to the Province Standing Rules sixty (60) days prior to Province Convention. Submit them in writing to all chapters and Past Province Chairmen with voting privileges thirty (30) days prior to Province Convention.

AMENDMENT 8, ARTICLE VIII, Province Standing Rules Committee, Section 1 b, Page 5

Amendment 8 was a conforming change; no vote was necessary.

AMENDMENT 9, ARTICLE VIII, Province Standing Rules Committee, Section 1 c, Page 5

Amendment 9 was a conforming change; no vote was necessary.

AMENDMENT 10, ARTICLE VIII, Province Standing Rules Committee, Section 1 d, Page 5

Amendment 10 was a conforming change; no vote was necessary.

AMENDMENT 11, ARTICLE IX, Province Philanthropy Reports, Section 3, Page 6

Amended to read: 3. Only donations and solicitations that pass through the chapter treasurer shall be included in the Philanthropic Reports; accompanied by a dated receipt between June 1 and May 31 of the previous year.

Diana Siman, Delegate, Xi Gamma, made a motion to amend the amendment.

Proposed Amendment to the Amendment:

3. Only donations and solicitations made on behalf of Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc. by a chapter or its member shall be included in the Philanthropic Reports and must be accompanied by a dated receipt between June 1 and May 31 of the previous year.

After discussion and clarification, the Amendment to the Amendment was adopted.

Amended to read: 3. Donations and solicitations made on behalf of Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc. by a chapter or its member shall be included in the Philanthropic report and must be accompanied by a dated receipt between June 1 and May 31 of the previous year.

AMENDMENT 12, ARTICLE XI, Province Philanthropic Project, Section 3, Page 6

Amended to read: 3. Notice of projects to be voted on shall be submitted to all chapters and Past Province Chairmen with voting privileges thirty (30) days prior to Province Convention.

AMENDMENT 13, ARTICLE XI, Province Philanthropic Project, Section 4, b., Page 6

Amendment 13 was a conforming change; no vote was necessary.

AMENDMENT 14, ARTICLE XI, Province Philanthropic Project, Section 6, Page 7

Amended to read: 6. In the event no project is decided upon, the funds shall be held and disbursed at the next Province Convention.

AMENDMENT 15, ARTICLE XII, Order of Business, Page 7

Amended: Delete entire Article XII, Order of Business. Refer to Province Chairman's Handbook page 3.14.

AMENDMENT 16, ARTICLE XIII, Amendments, Section 1 a, Page 8

Amended to read: a. The Province Chairman shall be required to mail all proposed legislation to all chapters and Past Province Chairmen with voting privileges thirty (30) days prior to Province Convention.

AMENDMENT 17, ARTICLE XIII, Amendments, Section 2, Page 8

Amended to read: 2. Amendments may be made at the Province Convention, without previous notice by a unanimous vote by delegates and Past Province Chairmen with voting privileges.

Dana Anderson, Gamma Pi, Past Province Chairman, made a motion to amend the Amendment. After discussion and clarification of the wording by Beth Wallis, the amendment to the amendment was adopted.

Amended to read: 2. Amendments may be made at the Province Convention, without previous notice by a unanimous vote by delegates and Past Province Chairmen present with voting privileges.

AMENDMENT 18, ARTICLE XVI, Copies of Standing Rules, Section 1, Page 8

Amended to read: 1. All chapters in the Province shall be required to have two (2) copies of these Standing Rules on file, one with the Chapter President and one with their Chapter Secretary. Copies can be obtained from the Province Chairman.

AMENDMENT 19, ARTICLE XVI, Copies of Standing Rules, Section 2, Page 8

Amended: Delete the entire section.

All Amendments were submitted by the Gamma Province Standing Rules Committee:

Dana Anderson, Chairman (Past Province Chairman)
Jeanie Claggett, (Past National President, Past Province Chairman)
Lisa Starr, (Past Province Chairman)

All Amendments passed unanimously.

Philanthropy Committee Chairman, Tanya Stover, introduced the members to present the two projects submitted:

Spike's K9 submitted by Xi Gamma Cuyahoga Falls OH was presented by Diana Siman
Community Car Clinic submitted by Kappa Xi, Brookville, OH was presented by Jean Claggett

Diana Siman made a motion to add to the ballot, split the funds 50/50 between both projects. Motion was seconded. Chair called for a vote and motion carried unanimously.

The following donations were made to the Philanthropy Fund:

Diana Siman presented a donation from Xi Gamma for \$50.00
Terri Shannon made a donation in memory of Sandy Huggins for \$50.00
Julie Callis made a donation for \$50.00
Junior Cruea presented a donation from Kappa Xi in honor of National President, Julie Callis for \$50.00
Char Garrett made a donation in memory of Jean Hanshew for \$50.00
Junior Cruea made a donation in honor of the Initiation Team for \$50.00
Deb Napier presented a donation from Theta Mu for \$50.00
Kris Trapp made a donation for \$34.69
The total donations of \$384.69 were added to the \$365.31 in the Philanthropy Fund.
Philanthropy Fund total to be given to the yearly project is \$750.00.

All voting members were presented with ballots and ballots were counted; Community Car Clinic received six (6) votes, 50/50 split received three (3) votes and Spike's K9 received one (1) vote. The 2022 Gamma Province Philanthropic Project will be Community Car Clinic and will receive a total of \$750.00.

There were also donations made to the NFED from money collected in the change buckets:

Xi Gamma Chapter	\$ 50.00
Gamma Pi Chapter	\$ 75.00
Phi Chapter	\$100.00
TOTAL NFED Fund	\$225.00

The Chair invited Junior Cruea to give the PEG Presentation:

Junior Cruea began her PEG presentation with a Quote by Ralph Waldo Emerson, to go with the National President's theme of Gathering, Growing and Giving with Grace and Gratitude: The quote is about cultivating the habit of being grateful for all the good things that come to you and to give thanks continuously. As all these things contribute to your advancement and you should include all in your gratitude.

She then went on to talk about a friend who lives with a positive attitude and how she is grateful for everyday things and how each day brings new beauty and new wonders for all of us to appreciate. How we need to put into practice, being grateful despite the inclination to dwell on the horrible. She chooses to focus on the good things and the good in people.

Junior then told of another friend who had been coping with a divesting cancer through the pandemic. The appreciation she expressed about the basic givens of life that most of us forget about and take for granted. As she spent time with her, the great friendship she had with her friend grew deeper and more cherished. What an inspiration she was as she fought her battle with dignity and courage. She exemplified Grace in its truest form.

These examples made her reflect on how she wants to bring more grace into her own life. Listening to our PEG, we all can reflect on our lives and those around us and find ways to practice the art of **Gathering, Growing and Giving with Grace and Gratitude.**

The Chair invited, Terri Shannon, Delta Home Program Directorate Treasurer, to give her Delta Home Report.

The Chair announced that the Workshops will begin at 1:30 p.m. and Delegates are required to attend. Non-delegates were encouraged to attend.

Convention Secretary, Tanya Stover, read communications received:

Mandy Allen, National Secretary of Philanthropy
Evonne Albert, National Treasurer
Kendra Olson, Director of Expansion and Growth
Patty Jo Nierste, Secretary, Board of Trustees
Kathy Haralson, National Secretary.

The Chair asked if there were any announcements. Beth Wallis announced that a Reception for Julie Callis, National President would be held on October 14, 2022 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Hampton Inn at Franklin, Indiana.

The Chair recessed the meeting for lunch at 11:45 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. The Chair asked that the Teller please check the Delegate section and report any absences to the Secretary. A quorum was established.

The Chair turned the meeting over to the National Officers to conduct the workshops.

5 G's At the Flower Shop: Karen Mace, Beth Wallis and Doris Sanders

The officers had 5 flowers and 5 varieties. As they went through the 5 G's Gather, Grow, Give Grace and Gratitude the delegates were asked to come forward and read from the tags they were given about the 5 G's and place a flower in a vase. At the end a beautiful bouquet was completed. Beautiful like the Sisterhood of our sorority.

Gathering: Kris Trapp, Julie Callis and Doris Sanders

The officers gave some ideas for fundraising for Delta Home and how Conventions are great for reconnecting with sisters. Ideas to save a little each month so we can gather at Fort Worth, TX, for National Convention. Host small fundraisers like selling Krispy Crème Donuts etc.

Grace and Gratitude: Julie Callis

The Chair thanked the National Officers for a great job on the workshops.

The Chair introduced Kris Trapp and she went over the information provided in the folder each Delegate received to take back to their chapters.

Kris Trapp, 3rd Member, Board of Trustees and Julie Callis, National President presented the 2021 – 2022 Philanthropy Awards.

Total number of chapters in Gamma Province - 6
Total number of chapters in Gamma Province Reporting - 6
Total number of active members in Gamma Province - 94

GAMMA PROVINCE 2021-2022

TOTAL CHAPTER PHILANTHROPY

5. Kappa Xi	Brookville, OH	\$6330.74
4. Xi Gamma	Cuyahoga Falls, OH	\$6403.99
3. Gamma Pi	New Paris, OH	\$6825.98
2. Phi	Lewisburg, OH	\$7299.76
1. Nu Alpha	Oxford, OH	\$7656.12

TOTAL PHILANTHROPY PER CAPITA

5. Gamma Pi	New Paris, OH	\$284.42
4. Nu Alpha	Oxford, OH	\$319.10
3. Kappa Xi	Brookville, OH	\$422.05
2. Phi	Lewisburg, OH	\$608.31
1. Xi Gamma	Cuyahoga Falls, OH	\$640.40

TOTAL PHILANTHROPY: \$36,461.09

TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS

5. Xi Gamma	Cuyahoga Falls, OH	1023.5
4. Phi	Lewisburg, OH	1047
3. Kappa Xi	Brookville, OH	1466
2. Gamma Pi	New Paris, OH	1742
1. Nu Alpha	Oxford, OH	1762

TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS PER CAPITA

5. Gamma Pi	New Paris, OH	72.58
4. Nu Alpha	Oxford, OH	73.42
3. Phi	Lewisburg, OH	87.25
2. Kappa Xi	Brookville, OH	97.73
1. Xi Gamma	Cuyahoga Falls, OH	102.35

TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS: 7,338.50

TRAVELING AWARDS

White Bible Award, given by Alpha Tau, Cincinnati, OH to the chapter for the highest per capita in philanthropy - Xi Gamma, Cuyahoga Falls, OH

Gavel Award, given by Kappa Xi, Brookville, OH to the chapter for the highest per capita volunteer hours - Xi Gamma, Cuyahoga Falls, OH

Silver Candle Snuffer Award, given by Alpha Xi, Columbus, OH for the highest total volunteer hours - Nu Alpha, Oxford, OH

Silver Bud Vase Award, given by Nu Beta, Silver Springs, MD for the highest Total Golden Hand Fund - Nu Alpha, Oxford, OH

The National Philanthropy Committee Report and the Province Alumnae Philanthropy Report was read by Karen Mace.

Julie Callis, National President gave the 2023 National Convention Report. It will be held in Fort Worth TX, July 12 – 16, 2023.

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the 2023 Province Convention Chairman, Cindy Myers, Kappa Xi, nominated Lynn Denlinger, Kappa Xi for the 2023 Province Convention Chairman and read her letter stating she accepted the nomination. No other nominations were received, therefore Tanya Stover, Province Secretary cast the elective ballot for Lynn Denlinger, Kappa Xi as 2023 Gamma Province Convention Chairman.

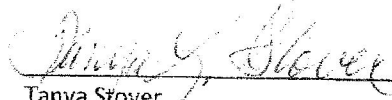
Lynn was not able to attend convention, her installation will be conducted via Zoom, by Kris Trapp, on October 25, 2022 during a regular Kappa Xi Chapter meeting.

Lynn's contact information is as follows:

Lynn Denlinger
919 Diamond Mill Road
New Lebanon, OH 45345
Email: lynnbusymom@woh.rr.com
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Kappa Xi presented information outlining the 2023 Gamma Province Convention and the theme "2nd Hand Rose." Save the date for November 13 - 15, 2023 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Beavercreek, Ohio.

The Chair thanked all those who attended and those who assisted with convention and opened the floor to any further or new business. There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m. with the Delta Closing Ceremony.


Tanya Stover
Gamma Province Convention Secretary


Char Garrett
Gamma Province Convention Chairman


Kris Trapp
3rd Member, Board of Trustees