

Phi Kappa Phi Chapter 260

Memorial Hall 201

February 21, 2019 Meeting

Welcome

President Marge Phillips called the meeting to order at approximately 6:15 pm. She welcomed students, faculty and introduced officers that were present (officers listed below).

2018-2019 Phi Kappa Phi Officers

- Marge Phillips, President
- Carol Kitchen, President-Elect and Treasurer
- Cecilia Larson, Secretary
- Jayanti Ray, Public Relations
- Student Vice Presidents
 - Emily Cieslewicz
 - Jennifer Lee
 - Morgan Murphy
 - Mikayla Patterson
 - Jacob Seabaugh

Secretary's Report

The minutes from last meeting have been posted to the website: semo.edu/pkp

Bookstamping

A big thank you to Dr. Mary Elizabeth Ambery for the purchase of new books from Flowerpot Press, a company that shows bright books for children that focus on values that parents can share with their new babies. The books are also pretty inexpensive \$1.00 per book although the next time that we want to purchase the books will be \$1.30, but still less expensive than other companies. She is also contacting again the Regional Library Board of Trustees in Jackson, MO to see if they are still interested in donating money to be able to buy these books as they told her last year. We stamped the books that were available but we have more to do. Members decided to get together next Thursday, February 28, to finish stamping the rest of the books.

In Memory

Marge told members that in memory of Twylla James, our former Public Relations officer who passed away a couple years ago, she would like to donate a book to Kent Library since she did so much for our organization. Members voted unanimously to donate this book in her memory. Dean Glackin will help us chose a book to honor Twylla.

Induction

The induction ceremony will be on Sunday, April 14, 2019 in the University Ballroom. We need help from all our members so please put this date on your calendar. Dr. Vargas is going to give the welcome and hand out pins. We usually have cookies and punch after the ceremony and last year we had an area for pictures that was extremely popular. Marge would like to know if somebody would be able to work on this.

Fellowship Award

The Fellowship Award can be applied for by students who are starting a graduate program. Many awards are available starting at \$8,500 up to \$35,000. Our chapter can submit one application to national society headquarters. Applications are due locally on April 1 and has to be at national by April 15. More information is available at phikappaphi.org/awards.

Student Research Conference

Members agreed to participate in the conference and approved to give four awards of \$50 for the Student Research Conference April 17 and 18.

Ushering at Commencement – May 11

PKP will be ushering commencement again on May 11, 2019. We will need volunteers for the two ceremonies. For the morning ceremony you will have to be there at 8:50 am to place programs on the floor seats, hold “reserved” area, distribute programs to guests, and direct students to the Rec Center for their lineup. Volunteers should be finished by about 10:15 am. For the afternoon ceremony volunteers should be there by noon to perform the same duties as in the morning session. Volunteers are usually finished by 2:15 pm. If you would like to usher one or both ceremonies is perfectly all right. Phi Kappa Phi will receive a stipend for ushering both events.

Committees

Our chapter has many committees and we hope you will be willing to volunteer to help on one or more of the committees. A list of all the committees was provided and a copy is below.

- A. Initiation/Induction Committee – April 14, 2019 has been reserved for the induction ceremony
- B. Born to Read – Our literacy project
- C. Web Committee (helps keep our web site up-to-date) Facebook Fan Page
- D. Membership Committee (Seek faculty, staff and alumni nominees for PKP membership and encourage eligible students to apply for membership when invited)

- E. Fellowship Committee: Students can win a \$8,500 -- \$35,000 scholarship for graduate work.
- F. Fundraising Committee – for Born to Read activities. Grants can be applied for and received for 2 consecutive years, then must wait one year before can reapply.
- G. Activities Committee

There being no further business and no objections, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Cecilia V. Larson, MA
Secretary