

Phi Kappa Phi Chapter 260

Memorial Hall 207, 6 pm

March 28, 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

After our regular meeting, we stamped books so that they are ready to be taken to the hospitals in the area. Hopefully next time we will be able to finish the remainder of the books. Dr. Mary Elizabeth Ambery, who has been so kind to volunteer her time and efforts for the Born to Read project, is retiring in May and moving out of the area. She is having a few last minute tasks with the project. She is having a meeting with the Regional Library Board of Trustees in Jackson, MO to see if they still would like to donate money to be able to buy these books since our grant will not be renewed. However, she is going to send in the application in case they change their mind and we can have the grant for one more year. She is also planning to use bigger labels for the books so that there is more room to list two sponsors. She showed a few samples of the bigger labels and we will decide in our next meeting.

In Memory

Members were given four titles of books to donate to the library in memory of Twylla James, a former member and officer of Phi Kappa Phi. Members looked at the titles and we decided that

Marge will go over these books and choose one or more titles. The motion was made and seconded with all being in favor.

Induction

The induction ceremony will be on Sunday, April 14, 2019 in the University Ballroom. We need help from our members so please put this date on your calendar. If you are going to volunteer, please be there by 12:30 or 12:45 the latest. Dr. Vargas is going to give the welcome and hand out pins. We will have cookies and punch after the ceremony. Jacob Seabaugh and Jennifer Lee have kindly volunteered to be in charge of the picture booth as well as the music for the ceremony.

Marge provided a list of the new members who will be inducted. A motion and second was made to approve their membership. All were in favor of approving their membership.

Fellowship Award – Dues April 1

Two members applied for this award. Dr. Jayanti Ray and Dr. Shawn Guiling have volunteered to review the applications and select a winner for our chapter. That application will be forwarded to national by April 15.

Student Research Conference

Student Research Conference is April 17 and 18. We approved in our last meeting to give four awards of \$50 each. This year is going to be an Art Award.

Ushering at Commencement – May 11 – Show Me Center

PKP will be ushering commencement again on May 11, 2019. We will need volunteers for the two ceremonies. For the morning ceremony you should be there at 8:50 am to place programs on the floor seats, 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. Volunteers for both ceremonies will be provided lunch.

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. Our next meeting has been scheduled for April 25.

Respectfully,

Cecilia V. Larson, MA
Secretary