

**Pennsylvania State Organization of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International**  
**Committee Report for Convention 2023**  
**State President's Report**

**I. Role**

- A. Preside at regular and called meetings
- B. Direct all activities of the State Organization
- C. Appoint the parliamentarian and all standing and special committees
- D. Approve payment of all expenses claims
- E. Fill all vacancies of office by appointment
- F. Represent the Society at meetings and all other functions
- G. Serve on the International Executive Board and the State Executive Board
- H. Serve ex-officio in budget development and all committees, except Nominations
- I. Assist with leadership development for the state organization
- J. Make final decisions to convention and other state activities
- K. Assign duties of officers and members as appropriate
- L. Communicate with and visit chapters to share information about the State Organization and International Society

**II. Biennial Goals**

- A. Conduct the business of the Pennsylvanian State Organization professionally and efficiently and continue to provide quality programming that addresses the Seven Purposes of the Society
- B. Promote increased participation at each level of the society through the use of social media, newsletters, chapters visit, and statewide events in an effort to strengthen connections from member to chapter and from chapter to state
- C. Provide quality leadership training for all members
- D. Recognize at-risk chapter behavior and provide support from our leadership team
- E. Engage a majority of the chapters in the state project, STEM
- F. Give members the knowledge of the benefits of membership through chapter visits, brochures, electronic communications and the newsletter/*The Keystoneian*

**III. Accomplishments Related to Goals**

- A. Zoom meeting with Leadership Team and Chapter Presidents – September 20, 2022, January 17, 2023, April 18, 2023
- B. Chapter Presidents Workshop at our 2023 State Convention June 22, 2023
- C. Attended the International Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana July 12-16, 2022.
- D. Presided at the Virtual Executive Board Meeting & Virtual Administrative Board Meeting on July 26 & 27, 2022 via Zoom
- E. Northeast Presidents Zoom meetings led by Carol Herzog September 2022 through June 2023

- F. Participate in International's Inside International and Town Hall meetings June 2022 – June 2023
- G. Researched sites and obtained quotes for State Convention 2023 August & September 2022
- H. Site Visits for State Convention 2023: August 16, 2022, August 19, 2022, August 24, 2023, September 12, 2022.
- I. Signed contract with Wyndham Lancaster Resort & Convention Center November 14, 2022
- J. Met with the Convention Committee for convention 2023 planning November 29 & 30, 2022
- K. Convention Update & Planning meetings via Zoom with Convention Team and First & Second Vice Presidents – January 31, 2023, February 20, 2023, March 6, 2023, April 11, 2023, May 1, 2023, May 15, 2023, June 7, 2023
- L. EEC Committee meeting February 6, 2023, as ex-officio
- M. International Scholarship Committee meetings Austin, Texas, February 24 & 25, 2023
- N. International Scholarship Committee meetings via Zoom, February 10, 2023, and June 8 & 27, 2023
- O. Continue Zoom & email communications with former International World Fellowship recipient, Zhanar Tostubayeva June 2022 through June 2023
- P. Zoom & email communications with International World Fellowship recipient, Alona Yurievna Kladieva December 2022 through June 2023
- Q. DKG World Fellowship Zoom meeting with the recipients April 24 & 27, 2023
- R. Zoom meeting with Scholarship committee March 18, 2023, as ex-officio.
- S. Membership Committee meeting via Zoom March 21, March 28, April 12, April 25, May 9, 2023
- T. PA State Creative Arts Zoom meeting on August 22, 2022, and attend the retreat April 21 – 23, 2023 in Waymart, PA
- U. Finance Committee meeting May 10 & 11, 2023 as ex-officio in State College, PA
- V. Chapter Visits- 44 of 48 chapters were visited during July 2019 – June 2023
- W. Created an ad hoc committee, advertised, posted and selected a new Keystonean Editor, Tracey Dusch, Psi Chapter.
- X. Created an electronic file of all officers and chairs and their job description and responsibilities.
- Y. Preside over PA State Convention 2023 June 21 – 23, 2023
- Z. Created a focus group of members from across the State and we zoomed and discussed what they liked about conventions, what they wished we would reframe or delete and any other suggestions they wanted to share.
- AA. Using chapter visits, chapter presidents' newsletters, email and PA State website shared information pertaining to biennial theme, International Projects (Education in Africa and Supporting Early Career Educators) and the State Project (STEM).

- BB. Communicate with chapters about the benefits of membership, International updates, and the PA State Organization through newsletters, phone calls, chapter visits and the *The Keystoneian*
- CC. Encouraged chapters and members to “use their voice and their choice” to get involved at all levels of the Society: chapter, State and International
- DD. Address concerns of individual chapters struggling with membership or leadership issues
- EE. Addressed emails from women interested in DKG and assisted them with connecting with a local chapter
- FF. Represented the Pennsylvania State Organization as a voting member of the International Executive Board on business at the International level
- GG. Worked with State IT Specialist to refresh PA State website and make it more user friendly and easier to locate information and documents/forms.
- HH. Work with State IT Specialist to post PA members whose work was selected for the International Gallery of the Arts
- II. Advertised, posted and selected a new Keystoneian Editor, Tracey Dusch, Psi Chapter.

#### **IV. Recommendations for Action**

- A. Continue to visit with Chapters in PA
- B. Continue communication with Chapter Presidents and members via newsletters, PA website, Facebook, emails, phone calls and snail mail.
- C. Continue to support struggling chapters with membership and leadership concerns
- D. Continue to promote members to use the International and PA State websites
- E. Continue to encourage chapters to invite women to DKG membership especially the collegiate member and to use the Membership Plan
- F. Provide leadership workshop at PA State Convention 2024
- G. Continue to encourage chapters to support International Projects (Education in Africa and Supporting Early Career Educators)

Respectfully submitted,

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