

Texas State Organization

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International



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Goals:

My main goal was to attend at least one chapter meeting of all of the chapters in my area and make them feel important to DKG and to me. I wanted them to feel like I was a new member of their chapters.

I also wanted to learn what chapters needed from me as Area Coordinator. I wanted the chapters to try to do new things such as a service project, etc., add new things such as a newsletter, yearbook, etc., and encourage more local and state participation.

Of course, we want new members in every chapter. I encouraged them to try to induct collegiate members as well as others.

Accomplishments and Activities Related to goals:

First, I had a meeting with the executive board members: presidents of each chapter. This was a huge success and got us off on the right foot. It helped me get to know them better and created camaraderie. I also shared my goals and expectations with them. They have all said that it was a positive start and that it allowed them to feel more comfortable sharing things with me.

I believe that I have smoothed out some “ripples” that were there from the previous year. I did attend at least one meeting for every chapter. I will attend at least one next year as well. In some cases, I attended two meetings this year. I cannot feel like a member of a chapter if I only attend one meeting. I am willing to make the monetary sacrifice as well as the time sacrifice.

I made each chapter feel important. Some were very discouraged when I arrived and very skeptical of my role, but by the end of the meeting, they felt relevant and cared for. They were comfortable voicing concerns. They are now more willing to improve in some areas and try new things.

Some chapters are at least now willing to try to get an ASTEF project scholarship, seek members at the collegiate level, and participate in planning for Area Workshop.

Area 13 Workshop planning is going well and all parties are cooperating and overcoming some issues. I hope that this will lead to more participation than ever!

I learned that chapters just want to be accepted for what they have accomplished and not be compared to other chapters. Each chapter is unique and special. If we want to keep the members and the smaller chapters, we have to be more understanding of where they are at this point in time; however, we need to also encourage them to grow in any way that they can. Some have had unfortunate loss in numbers because of the death of a member(s). Unfortunately, this is some of the smaller chapters.

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I will continue to encourage the use of the SPA and active participation in all areas of DKG.

Suggestions to chapter (Officer , committee, or Area):

I have asked chapters to consider ways to get new members, even my own. I will continue to encourage them to attend conventions and workshops. I have encouraged them to share responsibilities if they are a small chapter.

I would like for them to add one new thing this year. I hope that with new presidents this will be possible.

I will continue to visit the chapters and inspire leadership.