**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL**

59th Beta Beta State Spring Convention

April 10-11, 2015

Ala Moana Hotel, Honolulu

***SEE Things in a New Way***

Convention Evaluation

**Keynote Address: Dr. Lyn Babb Schmid,** DKG International President

Impact on BBS, your Chapter, you personally?

* Connection outside Hawaii to DKG
* Continued involvement
* Need to invite eligible (under 35) young women in various fields (e.g. yoga teacher, Whole Foods representative)
* Take risks – don’t do things the same way
* Build leadership in our members
* Seek diverse new members
* Don’t be intimidated by out-of-the-box thinkers
* Open up minds for new possibilities; become and think of being more creative
* Well done DKG update
* Keep up with technology and use it
* What will next 60 years be like for DKG
* 4 detrimental things: silence, go the way the wind blows, recruit the “same”, not letting cool people do cool things
* Bringing “weird” people into chapter can bring changes!
* DKG has become less formal and more humorous/fun
* Change the “culture” of or chapter

**Session Evaluations**: 5 (high) 4 3 2 1 (low) Average rating

 **A: Tell Your Story with Impact! 4.86**

Most valued:

* How to use adobe to create video presentations
* Using ipad to create adobe voice
* Hands-on interactive tech integrated lesson
* Reaching out globally
* New skill
* How easy to use this tech in classroom
* That I CAN do more tech
* Tech is not as scary as it seems
* Easy way to do presentations
* Good step by step instruction

 Action:

* Produce slides
* Share adobe voice
* Use it personally and professionally
* Teach children to use / share with colleagues
* Cards sharing messages; variety of organization uses
* Great incentive to acquire new members
* Try to use it for chapter orientation
* Work with younger children
* Share with chapter
* Use app as presentation option for students
* Use with students
* Create chapter video to intro DKG to new members
* Support Japan sisters

 **B: Share What You SEE 4.60**

 Most valued:

* Discussion with others and sharing ideas
* Branding DKG into statewide initiative
* Looking for ways to support new teachers via building connections
* Collaboration with new teacher center (NTC) is welcome and needed
* How to include SEE in chapter SAP
* Need to talk with others

 Action:

* Continue to meet with chapter reps
* Share with chapter sisters
* Support new teachers out of the school environment
* Work with chapter and BBS to SEE
* Work with members to form SEE committee
* Provide opportunities for chapter to practice SEE

 **C: The Hawaii-Japan Project 4.50**

 Most valued:

* Think of instilling essence of DKG to other members
* Help society expand / succeed
* Change is good
* Be actively involved with BBS / Chapter for all members

 Action:

* Use encouragement to make time together more effective
* Start with own members
* Get more involved

 **D: Networking a SAP Toolkit 4.67**

 Most valued:

* New way to rotate leadership responsibilities
* Sharing of Lambda, Theta, others gave details to their “new” ways
* Try to structure SAP differently
* We are all focusing on SAP in every way

 Action:

* Add to chapter SAP
* All members must participate; engage in chapter discussions
* Make more use of Google docs

 **E: SEE New Ways to Inspire Yourself 4.61**

 Most valued:

* Personal commitment
* Improving physical, intellectual, social well-being
* Different ways to stay healthy
* Can do attitude
* Importance of breath, balance, and low stress
* Got to be flexible; change is good
* What Whole Foods can offer
* Connecting mind, body and spirit
* Laughter is good for you; appreciate humor
* Audience participation
* Anti-aging concepts: laughter, social relationships
* Looking with the joy of aging
* Frozen pantry essentials
* Enjoy life as you age

 Action:

* Set manageable goals
* Doing it
* Personal plan to exercise
* Enroll in yoga class
* Exercise; eat healthy; be example for others
* Experiment not only on foods but new ways of problem solving
* Shishi walk
* Exercise humor
* Resume yoga practices
* Healthier moving, cooking, nutrition happiness
* Practice breathing/resistance training/shopping
* Opportunities for classroom
* Share Whole Foods info with chapter sisters
* Re-evaluate current lifestyle
* Purchase blue curled kale and serve to family

**Keynote Lunch Address: Dr. Virginia Hinshaw,** UHM Professor

SEE things differently:

* With humor and conviction
* Laughter will make life better
* Be bold and consider different opportunities for ourselves and the organization
* Openly laugh @ herself and share her challenges
* Importance of humor, value of friendship and family support
* Humor, resiliency, being leader who leads
* Always be positive
* Keep company with those who make you better
* Commitment to positive action
* Don’t be afraid to fail, change is a given, laugh everyday, laugh with others
* Being “weird” is OK
* Life is short – so laugh
* Women are powerful
* Use change positively and always use humor

**Program Ratings**: 5 (high) 🡪 1 (low)

Society Business 4.67

Ala Moana Hotel facilities 4.90

Meals 4.94

Country Store 4.90

Registration Process 4.88

**General comments**:

* Awesome, well organized
* Loved venue
* Crowded, but due to higher registration – great!
* Positive energy
* Loved goodie bags
* Country Store best ever
* Well executed
* Registration easy
* Meals excellent
* Very good convention
* Learned and enjoyed
* Beta elevated the bar: general session, speakers, workshops
* Impressed with Beta’s excellent convention – many new ideas took lots of time and work
* Everything perfect
* Keynote speakers awesome
* Wonderful day – seeing old friends and making new ones
* Good location
* Wish more chapter members had opportunity to enjoy great convention

**Suggestions for improvement:**

* Better tech publicity through Presidents
* Separate Country Store in another room
* Color code or sequence documents in folder/ or use larger headers with numbers or letters
* Name tags kept falling off
* Prefer “make and take” or learning outside of education sessions
* More time for commentary share or speakers
* Online payment better for me (forgot to send in check)
* Portable mike during by-laws discussion would have helped
* More workshop time and less business time
* Business day too long
* Add fruit to breakfast menu
* Glitch in online registration