Meeting started at 3:05pm -those in attendance: Incoming and Outgoing Officers-- Shannon H., Kelsey P., Amanda F., Christie K., Rhonwyn R, and Nancy M., Others: Alana B., Laura B., Kate C., Cathy C., Lori D., Jennifer G., Emily G, Bernadette H., Dianna J., Mory J., Barb K., Lauren L., Danielle M., Bette N., Janet R., Wendy S., Billie T., Cathy T., Leia T.,

1. **Welcome and Introductions**
2. **Recording Secretary**: Nancy Montgomery - Reading & Approval of August 2019 Minutes
3. **Officer Reports**
   1. **Outgoing President – Shannon Howard** Shannon proudly announced that her two major goals for her term were accomplished! The Chapter received two Convention awards (Clara Worden Award, Honorable mention for Hall of Fame Award) and Membership reached 50 members. Shannon also announced that Eta Eta and Eta Beta won awards at convention as well. The chapter thanks Shannon for her service these past two years and applauded her wonderful leadership. On behalf of the chapter, gifts were presented to Shannon to show their appreciation. Shannon thanked the other sisters who attended Gamma Phi’s first virtual convention. Then Shannon conducted officer installation for the new Executive Board: Kelsey Paris (President), Amanda Ferguson (Vice President), Rhonwyn Ratchford (Treasurer) and Nancy Montgomery (Secretary).
   2. **Incoming President – Kelsey Paris** Welcomed everyone back and announced that opportunity for sharing and chatting would be after officer reports and announcements.. The meeting agenda and announcements were provided on PP slides <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1nCOybpf4o9xjBa2UfrMOAf8jHRmlUif4mLic3Gm8qjA/edit#slide=id.g8d6d90a15b_0_0>
      1. Kelsey offered chapter support to anyone who may need it during this COVID19 Pandemic. She also mentioned the Black Lives Matter and Anti Racism resources that International provides on their website
      2. International Convention business was shared: Bylaw changes postponed to 2021, New International Council installed, Next Convention to be held in St. Louis in 2022
      3. Secretary Nancy Montgomery
   3. **Vice President – Amanda Ferguson**. Amanda reported that we ended 2019-20 membership year with 50 dues paying members! Of these 50, 29 chapters are represented and 22 are Life Loyal Member. Dues for the 2020-21 year are due Nov. 1st. Amanda reminded us all to update our GPB info on IH website and to be thinking of growing our chapter with the Alumnae Initiate program.
   4. **Treasurer – Rhonwyn Ratchford** presented the 2019-20 budget vs. actual which ended July 31st and proposed budget for 2020-21 fiscal year which started Aug. 1st. Local dues are $25 due Nov. 1st, but early bird rate is $20 if pay before Sept. 1st. If you are not yet, Life Loyal, annual international alumnae dues of $25 are due by Dec. 1st. You can pay all dues online through our chapter website or mail a check to Rhonwyn to her address noted on our chapter website.
   5. **Collegiate Recruitment Information/Alum Collegiate Relations Kate Catalang -**Kate reported Eta Eta and Eta Xi will both be doing virtual recruitment in August. Eta Beta (at Fla. Southern) has recruitment in Spring 2021. The re-decorating of the Eta Beta chapter suite is complete thanks to hard work of Janet Ruppert. Due to COVID19 Pandemic, all our collegiate chapters will be having classes this fall online or in person and students will not be returning after Thanksgiving break. All classes will be online after Thanksgiving. Eta Xi has reduced house capacity from 72 to65 women to accommodate CDC guidelines. Kate will be working on a alum engagement program with matching seniors to current alums based on career/field of interest.
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   2. **Florida Alumnae Chapter Liaison – Nancy Montgomery** shared that there are 13 alumnae chapters in the state, with a few of them currently struggling with leadership continuity (Miami, Tallahassee, and Jacksonville). Nancy said the 3rd annual Florida Alum Chapter state day occurred back on Jan. 12th in Lakeland. Five chapters attended. Amanda, and Rhonwyn attended along with Nancy. Three alumnae chapters participated in Virtual Convention (Jax, Naples, and Tampa). Nancy recognized Janet Ruppert as the President of Lakeland Alumnae and chair of the Eta Beta HCB.
5. **Panhellenic News – Kelsey** reported that the position as the Clearwater Panhellenic delegate is open, volunteers requested. No news from TAPA and no news if they did award collegiate scholarships again this past spring.
6. **Philanthropy Chairwoman – Kelli Burns** asked for everyone to continue to shop/look out for nice items to donate for future GOTR baskets. Kelly urges everyone to consider volunteering their own time to any of the GOTR events or to consider being on the GOTR board.
7. **Programming Chairwoman – Kelsey Paris introduced Bernadette Hardigan Hinz** as the new Program Chair due to pandemic it was decided it was best to only plan on month at a time and to continue with virtual programs for now. August events will be:
   1. **Mixology Class Aug. 15th 6pm**
   2. **Trivia night Aug 25th at 7:30pm**
   3. **Entire month of August -will be a Mac N Cheese competition. All sisters invited to post their favorite mac n cheese dish on chapter’s facebook page –we all love Mac N Cheese!**

**Kelsey closed with reminding everyone of the opportunities for involvement: Clearwater Panhellenice delegate position, Girls on the Run Sole Mate, and Eta Eta needs a social advisor.**

**After reports, the virtual meeting was opened up for chat and news was shared of sisters getting PhD (Danielle M) and Master’s Degrees (Emily), sisters now pregnant (Amanda), sisters getting new jobs thanks to other sisters (Kelsey) etc. Adjourned at 4:35pm**

**NEXT CHAPTER MEETING WILL BE**:  sometime in January 2021. Stay tuned for lots of fall programming until then.