

## 5.01 ANNIE WEBB BLANTON SCHOLARSHIP

- a. One scholarship, not to exceed \$500, shall be awarded annually to a North, a South, and an Outlying chapter on a rotational basis. A member may be awarded this scholarship only once.
- b. Recipient should maintain membership for a minimum of one year after accepting the award.
- c. Recipient shall make a presentation at the following State Convention as to the professional benefits achieved from the scholarship.
- d. The following factors are to be rated equally in awarding scholarships.
  - (1) Active membership in the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.
  - (2) Active participation at the chapter level.
  - (3) Professional contribution to education.
  - (4) Name and significance of educational plans for the utilization of the scholarship.
- e. Proposed educational plans shall be prioritized as follow, in descending order.
  - (1) Advance degree work
  - (2) Adding endorsements or specialist designation to teaching license,
  - (3) Conducting professional research
  - (4) Attendance at professional seminars of training session.
- f. The following procedures will be used in awarding scholarships.
  - (1) The scholarship application form shall be sent to the chapter presidents of the qualifying chapters by the state scholarship chair before or at the Fall Executive Board meeting.
  - (2) Each qualifying chapter president will distribute the application form to the members of her chapter. Completed application forms, which include receipts, transcripts of completed courses and/or future course registration forms are to be returned to the State Scholarship Chair by December 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - (3) The State Scholarship Committee will be composed of three members appointed by the State President, (one from North, one from South, and one from Outlying areas). The State Scholarship Committee shall select the state scholarship recipient from the applications received by December 1<sup>st</sup>. The committee may select more than one recipient and the five hundred dollars (\$500) will be distributed among the recipients. Should there be no applications from the qualifying chapters, the scholarship shall be offered to active members in all chapters and the State Scholarship Chair will send the scholarship application form to all Chapter Presidents for distribution to chapter members. If a chapter member qualifies for the scholarship, it is the responsibility of the Chapter President to forward the completed application to the State Scholarship Chair no later than January 1<sup>st</sup>. The State Scholarship Committee shall then select the state scholarship recipient from the applications by February 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - (4) The chair of the Scholarship Committee shall notify the State President, the State Treasurer and the recipient of her/their selection and prepare a certificate(s) to be presented at the State Convention.
  - (5) The scholarship must be utilized within one calendar year after the Convention at which it was presented, unless an extension is granted by the Executive Board.
  - (6) Funds will be dispersed to recipient when verification (receipts, transcripts, and course registration) is submitted to the State Treasurer.