EPSILON SIGMA PHI Alpha Rho Chapter 2004 ANNUAL MEETING October 20, 2004 Great Bend, Kansas

The 2004 annual meeting was called to order at 7:15 a.m. by President, Carl Garten.

Chuck Otte moved to approve the minutes of the 2003 annual meeting as presented. Roger Terry seconded. Motion passed.

A thank you from Marilyn Toellner was read.

Stacey Warner reported on the consolidated financial statements. The checking account balance as of September 9, 2004 was \$16,803.73. Total assets of our chapter are \$27,102.30. There were no questions. A motion was made to accept the treasurers report. Motion seconded and passed.

Roger Terry presented the audit report. The bank balances had been verified by Fred Delano, auditor. The treasurer was commended on an excellent job. The audit committee recommends that the board discuss, and make a recommendation, to use the combined association meeting profit for a wise purpose. This could include increasing the travel grant and calling it a professional development grant or scholarship, or it could be donated to the endowment account. They also recommended that the board discuss the loan program and consider making the travel grant a professional development or scholarship. It was suggested that all grants and scholarships be ran through the endowment. Daryl Buchholz moved, and Eric Otte seconded, that we accept the audit report. Motion passed.

Daryl Buchholz reported for the Endowment Fund. They had \$12,800.00 that could be expended and have committed about \$8,000.00 to different projects.

Jodi Besthorn moved, and Eric Otte seconded, that the written reports as part of the annual report be accepted as printed. Motion passed.

There was no old business.

The bylaw changes were presented by Carl Garten. They included: the addition of **postal or electronic mailing** under Article I Section 3; the addition of **or through secure electronic survey means** in Article II Section 1; the deletion of at and addition of **for** in Article II Section 2; the addition of **annalist** in Article IV Section 1; the deletion of South Central and the addition of **Metropolitan** in Article IV Section 2; the addition of **annalist** in Article VI Section 4. In Article VII two new committees were added. They should read:

GLOBAL RELATIONS shall promote membership involvement in global relations and shall ensure the communication of such activities to the entire membership.

MENTORING shall promote new employee involvement with Alpha Rho Chapter for the improvement of the profession. New member mentoring shall include communication of the shared vision for our profession, its culture, philosophies, and commitment.

There was discussion on the Metropolitan areas counselor. Chuck Otte moved, and Bev Dunning seconded, to approve the bylaw changes as presented. Motion passed.

Laurie Chandler presented the slate of new officers:

President Marie Blythe Vice President Trudy Rice Jan Stephens Secretary Stacey Warner Treasurer Editor Donna Martinson NE Council Director Laurie Chandler SE Council Director Crystal Coffman SW Council Director Gary Gold Fred Delano Retirees Endowment Board Diane Mack Sandra Wick Historian

Laurie Chandler moved to cast a unanimous ballot. Seconded and passed.

Stacey Warner presented the 2005 Budget. Eric Otte moved, and Crystal Coffman seconded, that it be approved as presented. Motion passed.

Stacey Warner drew for the free membership. Bob Neier was the recipient.

The following new members were inducted by Anna Muir: Barbara Ames, Gary Cramer, Ann Ludlum, Sara Maass, Lea Stueve, Mary Sullivan, and Amy Taylor. The creed was read by all.

Mike Christian has resigned as NE Counselor. Susie Latta has been appointed to fill term. The board voted to continue sponsorship of the joint association meeting.

Jim Lindquist presented a national update. Our chapter received one of four Chapter of Merit recognitions at the national meeting. Fund raising for the national endowment continues. A \$75.00 donation will be recognized with a 75 year pin. Many from Kansas have made this donation. The auction at the national meeting raised about \$9,000.00 for the endowment. Everyone was encouraged to attend the 2005 national meeting in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

The new president, Marie Blythe was introduced and presented outgoing president, Carl Garten with a token of our appreciation.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.