# **EPSILON SIGMA PHI**

Alpha Rho Chapter Board Meeting

March 4, 2005

At United Associations Conference and by phone

The Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. in Wichita (Sedgwick Co. Extension Center) by president Marie Blythe. Those present were: Marie, Stacey Warner, Donna Martinson, Bev Dunning, Susie Latta, Eric Otte, Robert Neier, and Jan Stephens. On phone connections were Trudy Rice, Carla Morrical-Frederking, Fred DeLano, Roger Terry, Les Frasier, Laurie Chandler, Vicky Overley, Carl Garten, and Charlotte Olsen.

The minutes were reviewed and approved as circulated.

## Chapter Officer Reports:

President – Marie reported that the Chapter Merit Award will be completed. Trudy Rice has received \$600 PILD Scholarship.

Vice President – Trudy – The PILD conference will be in April

Treasurer – Stacey reported that not much financial activity happens this time of year, but at this time the budgeted income was about 10 members short.

Charlotte gave Global Relations Committee report at this time, due to another commitment. (See committee reports.)

Editor – Donna is working on the spring newsletter. She requested the committee reports by March 18.

Council Directors – Bev (Metro), Susan (NE), and Carla (NW) reported contacting people about membership. Marie commented that we need to help people see the benefits of membership and what they get for their dues.

### Committee Reports:

Charlotte – Global Relations Committee is a new committee and she requested expectations from the board. She will be investigating professional development international service opportunities for Extension professionals.

Memorial – Eric reported sending sympathy notes to follow-up infograms.

Resource Management – Roger reported that this committee does most of its work just before conference and will have some items to discuss in old business.

Retirement – Les reported on plans for an event at annual conference.

Nomination – Laurie requested ideas for nominations from officers whose terms are ending.

Annual Meeting – Vicky will have items to discuss later.

Professional Development – Bob reported that scholarships will be available for annual meeting and the information will be in the next newsletter.

Endowment Fund – Carl reported they are checking with Daryl about possibilities.

### Old Business:

Stacey reported that the portraits of past Extension directors are now all of a uniform size and hung together just inside the main entrance of Umberger.

Carl reported that the Chapter of Merit Award application is due May 1.

Resource Management Committee recommendations:

- What to do with the funds from registration of members to the United Associations Conference? It was decided to have a committee make recommendations. The committee is Fred (chair), Stacey, Bob, Roger, Carl.
- Questions about the future of the loan program. Should it be a loan or scholarship? A committee will deal with these issues.

Bob asked for a procedure for choosing National Meeting attendees. Applications will be due to Bob by June 1.

### New Business:

Friend of Extension Award will be chosen by the Awards committee but all need to be considering possibilities.

JCEP expenses for Trudy to attend were \$211.04 over the budgeted amount. Bob moved to allow this expense. Carl seconded and the motion passed.

Annual conference schedule was discussed. As tentatively scheduled, ESP board meeting and general meeting are both at 7:30 a.m. times. After discussion, lunch in the Union on Monday for the general session was preferred with the board meeting as a phone conference after annual conference to include new officers.

The All Associations Awards Banquet at Extension Annual Conference was discussed in regard to who is responsible for the leadership of the event. It was suggested that ESP could take leadership as an organization that represented all parts of Extension. The committee should include members from each association. Other suggestions were to have guidelines of who does the MC and invocation and a timeline of when things are needed.

Rotation of committee assignments and chairs was discussed. This will be reviewed by Marie and Trudy.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 28, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. by Polycom/phone.

The meeting was adjourned.