

Alpha Rho Chapter-Epsilon Sigma Phi
Council meeting, 10:00 a.m. July 8, 2008
Umberger 125 and Conference Call

The meeting was called to order by President Eric Otte. Council members in attendance were: Eric Otte, Stacey Warner, Jan Stephens, Mark Ploger, Belinda Oldham Marcia McFarland, Connie Hoch, Mary Sullivan and Margaret Phillips

Minutes were approved as posted.

Officer Reports:

President: Eric reported that he had submitted the ballot for national awards, forwarded the request for memorials for national meeting to Mark Ploger, needed to send in the name of voting delegates for national meeting, and had submitted wording changes in the memorandum between the ESP endowment and KSU Foundation.

Vice President: Margaret Phillips reported that she had worked with the Committee on Committees for updating chapter committee descriptions and would report later in the meeting. She also indicated work had been done on updating the website and on a chapter calendar.

Treasurer: Stacey Warner summarized the budget and consolidated statement of accounts. She indicated that most of the expenses will be incurred between now and annual conference.

Director Reports:

SW: Belinda Oldham - no report

SE: Jan Stephens - no report

Standing Committee Reports:

Retiree Action: Marcia McFarland reported that there is a committee meeting scheduled for August. The committee will work on ways to engage retirees in the association by sharing about themselves for the newsletter. Details for the retiree lunch during annual conference are in process.

She also worked on the Committee on Committees and updated the descriptions of the Retiree Committee.

Memorial: Mark Ploger reported that he sent to national a list of life members who have passed away since last year. In addition eight individuals will be remembered during the annual banquet this fall.

Awards: Gayle Price sent a report indicating that she is reviewing chapter award descriptions, the nomination process and criteria. The committee will work to align Kansas awards with National ESP awards and will make recommendations for changes at the fall 2008 business meeting. She listed the website for awards - <http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/esp-AlphaRho/awards/awards.htm>

Gayle asked for clarification on a discrepancy between the Horizon award application and policies and procedures.

She has also developed a committee distribution list to engage committee members.

Global Relations: Mary Sullivan, chair, reported reviewing websites for learning opportunities. The committee plans to meet in August.

Nominations: Past president and chair Connie Hoch reported that all officers are up for election annually and directors rotate every other year. The committee is soliciting names of individuals to contact to be nominated. She also indicated a possible bylaw change regarding term length of officers.

Professional Development: Marie Blythe, chair, sent an email report indicating that four individuals had been selected to receive a scholarship of the Galaxy III Early Bird registration. Recipients will be Nozella Brown , Donna Martinson, Emily Morehouse and Gayle Price. The scholarships are a result of an ESP Endowment grant received last fall.

Special Committees:

Committee on Committees: Margaret Phillips reviewed the background for this committee, shared criteria for suggestions and reported the outcomes as sent in an email message prior to the meeting.

The main changes in addition to updating committee descriptions were:

- Eliminate references to member services as umbrella name for several committees to simplify and clarify. All committees are now on equal level.
- Change from Recognition to Tenure Recognition to differentiate from the work of the Awards Committee
- Change Retiree Action to Retiree
- Change Public Issues to Constitution and Bylaws (consist of past presidents)
- Add Membership to the name Recruitment and Retention
- Combine Professionalism and Professional Development into Professionalism
- Change Resource Management to Budget and Audit
- Change from Annual Meeting to Annual Banquet
- Remove Retirement Equity from Standing Committees
- Remove Mentoring Committee

Auction at Galaxy III: Marcia McFarland will contact Lois Redmond for a potential stained glass item. Mary Sullivan will check locally on a product honoring a former 4-H member. Other ideas should be sent to Eric.

United Associations Meeting representative from ESP will be from the Professionalism Committee. Eric will contact Beth Drescher, chair.

New Business:

Margaret moved that the committee report be accepted and that changes requiring constitution and bylaw changes be referred to the Constitution and Bylaw Committee for review and recommendation of changes. Motion seconded and carried.

Margaret moved that the minutes be approved by the executive committee prior to posting to the web. Motion seconded and carried.

Announcements

National ESP is sponsoring an Emerging Leadership Workshop, July 31. Margaret will send an announcement to the Tuesday letter email list this week encouraging participation.

National committees will meet during Galaxy III. Chapter committee chair and chair elect were encouraged to attend if possible. Recognizing that having a Kansas representative at each national committee meeting would be a good experience, a request was made for a list of Galaxy registrants from Kansas. Marie Blythe is serving on the committee and will be contacted for the information.

Doug Jardine, Jim Lindquist and Margaret Phillips were recently appointed to National ESP Committees.

Executive Committee will meet August 20, 2008 at KSU Salina. Details will be sent soon for that meeting.

Respectfully submitted in absence of secretary,

Margaret Phillips