

**Alpha Rho Chapter – ESP Council Meeting**  
**February 19, 2014**  
**Minutes**

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Chuck Otte brought the conference call meeting of the Alpha Rho Chapter of ESP to order on Wednesday, February 19, 2014, at 1:15 pm.

Roll Call was answered by Chuck Otte, Stacey Warner, Nadine Sigle, Gayle Price, John Forshee, John Beckman, Gary Gerhard, Carl Garten and Sheryl Carson

Minutes of the December 18, 2013 conference call were approved as corrected. They will be sent to Martha for posting on the web.

**Chapter Officer Reports**

**President** – Chuck Otte – Chuck reported on the JCEP meeting in Memphis. It was a good meeting with lots of good interaction with other states. He is still working on finding on committee chair elect.

**President Elect** – Stacey Warner

As president-elect I was pleased to represent our chapter along with Chuck and delegates from the other Kansas extension professional associations at last week at the Joint Council of Extension Professionals meeting in Memphis. Along with learning from keynote speakers we also had the opportunity to attend break-out sessions and meet with Epsilon Sigma Phi officers from across the country. We were also reminded that the national ESP conference will be October 6 to 9 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Our chapter has several scholarships available to help members with the cost of attending - the Jim Lindquist Administrative Leadership Scholarship and the Connie Hoch Leadership Scholarship. Applications for both scholarships will be due June 1.

**Secretary** – Nadine Sigle – Minutes will be posted to the web.

**Treasurer** – Jennifer Wilson - reports were sent out to the board and will be posted to the web. As a reminder any expenses for JCEP need to be submit to her for reimbursement.

**Annalist/Historian** – Doug Jardine – Not present

**Editor** – Sandra Wick – not present – Sandra did send a report requesting all council members be watching for email reminders as to when articles are due for the spring newsletter. If you have problems opening the newsletter please let her know.

**Past President/Endowment Chair** – Gayle Price – Information was provided for the newsletter. She has been in communication with ESP members about the need to update the ESP endowment brochure. The old brochure needs to be taken down from the website and we are encouraged to not use this brochure as it has outdated tax information. Gayle is working with Kim Schrier, KSU Foundation, on developing a new ESP Endowment brochure. The Endowment Committee has a conference call scheduled to provide input and review content for the new brochure. It was also mentioned that Print Services has a designed which may be able to assist.

**Council Directors Reports**

**NW Director** – Jeanne Falk Jones - We have sent letters out to all former ESP members in NW area that were on the list, but am not sure who has sent in their membership dues.

**NE Director** – John Forshee – No report

**SW Director** – John Beckman – No report

**SE Director** – Jan McMahan - Not present

**State Director** – Gary Gerhard - Gary is developing a plan that will inform and recruit new state members and lapsed state members prior to 2014 Annual Conference.

**Retirees** – Ann Domsch – Not present

**Extension Administration** – Daryl Buchholz – Not present

**Standing Committee's Reports**

**Annual Recognition Reception** – Chelsea Richmond – Not present. A chair elect has been secured for this committee.

**Budget and Audit** – Susie Latta – Not present

**Constitution and Bylaws** – Carl Garten – No report

**Global Relations** – Denise Dias - I continue to look for international opportunities on the ESP website, and elsewhere

**Membership Recruitment and Retention** – Andrea Burns – Not present

**Memorial** – Ann Ludlum – Ann has retired and we need to find a replacement

**Nomination** – Gayle Price – No report

**Professionalism** – Ginny Barnard – Not present

**Recognition**– Sheryl Carson – National ESP award applications successfully entered online: Raymond Cloyd for midcareer service; DeAnn Presley for early career service; Barbara Stone for visionary leadership; Elizabeth Brunsheen-Cartagena for Diversity/Multicultural Individual. In progress – Friend of Extension – Steve Irsil and wife being written by Daryl Buchholz, Margaret Phillips and Debra Bolton; Diversity/Multicultural Team – Ruddy Yanez, Alejandra Romero, Bertha Mendoza, Debra Bolton, Rod Buchele; Potential applications that may not have enough ESP membership to be eligible – Distinguished Team – Board Leadership Series: 2012 Alpha Rho awardees (the 2013 attendees, 4-H Marketing Action Team doesn't have the minimum membership either). Not eligible – Distinguished Service – Danny Rogers is not a 2014 member and there is not a 2012 awardee who is eligible.

**Retiree** – Fred DeLano – No report

**Tenure Recognition** – Jeanne Falk Jones – No report

#### **Alpha Rho ESP National Committee Members**

Stacey Warner- Membership Recruitment and Retention – Stacey encouraged anyone who might be interested to consider working on a national committee. There are lots of opportunities. If you participate in a national committee you are expected to attend national meeting. \$200 scholarships are available and applications are due April 1.

Marie Blythe-Professional Development – Not present

Doug Jardine- Marketing – Not present

Sandra Wick- Marketing – Not present

#### **Old Business**

**UAC** – Last year ESP received \$960 from UAC for members who attended the meeting. UAC will be held March 6 & 7, 2014 in Wichita. ESP is responsible for evaluations this year. Gayle is working on this. ESP also needs a representative for the welcome. Chuck will visit with Ginny or Marie to see if they will be able to handle this. Otherwise Gayle will be in attendance.

#### **New Business**

##### **Upcoming PILD Travel/Meetings – Jennifer to PILD (replacement for Stacey) – April 6 – 9, 2014**

Stacey will be unable to attend PILD this spring and Jennifer Wilson will be going in her place. John Forshee will also be attending.

**Other** – Chuck discussed the upcoming centennial celebration of the Smith/Lever Act. Daryl had asked Chuck to chair a planning committee. If anyone is interested in helping with this contact Chuck. The committee will dissolve after Annual Conference in October.

Gayle discussed items for the welcome packets to the National ESP meeting to be held in Indianapolis in October. Sharolyn Jackson had provided some materials from Walk Kansas. Sandra Wick was going to check on some sunflower seed snack packets. Chuck will check with Sandra on these. Chuck also volunteered to collect the items and get them shipped to the meeting planners. Gayle and Chuck also encouraged folks to consider contributing auction items for the ESP auction. Chuck volunteered to transport the items if folks were not going to attend. Chuck encouraged council members to consider attending the National ESP meeting in October.

#### **Announcement(s):**

**Next Chapter Council Conference Call: Wednesday, April 23, 2014 (a week later than normal)**

**Adjourn** - There being no further business, Chuck adjourned the meeting at 1:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nadine Sigle  
Secretary