

Alpha Rho Chapter – Epsilon Sigma Phi Council Meeting
August 21, 2013, 1:15 p.m.
<http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/esp-AlphaRho>

The meeting was called to order by President Gayle Price at 1:15 p.m.

Those in attendance (participating by telephone conference call) were as follows: Debra Bolton, Cheryl Boyer, Ann Domsch, Robin Eubank, Doug Jardine, Sy Nyhart, Chuck Otte, Gayle Price, Dave Schafer, Nadine Sagle, Stacey Warner, and Jennifer Wilson.

Motion made by Jennifer Wilson to approve minutes from the previous Council Meeting (June 19, 2013). Seconded by Debra Bolton. Motion passed. Minutes have been posted and made available on <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/esp-AlphaRho>

Chapter Officer Reports:

- **President** - Gayle Price
 - Mid Month Message – August on Website
 - Correspondence sent to new KSRE agents – Welcome and invitation to join ESP
 - Communication with National ESP –
 - Registered ESP voting delegates – Gayle Price, Chuck Otte with alternate Debra Bolton
 - confirmed Kansas members for National ESP memorial recognition
 - support letter for Deryl Waldren for National ESP Global Relation
 - Committee Application, Kansas registration list for Galaxy Conference to help plan State’s Night Out.
 - Communication with EXP members attending Galaxy about opportunity for State’s Night Out
 - Purchased item for the Chapter – from Elk Falls Pottery for the Galaxy Conference Auction for the ESP Development Fund
 - Provided article and information for the summer newsletter
 - Registered for the Galaxy IV Conference in Pittsburgh, PA
 - Contacted Ann Domsch. She has agreed to coordinate the silent auction at the KSRE annual conference reception again this year.
 - Encouraged other members attending Galaxy to cover national committee meetings where we do not have a designated representative.
 - Secretary will be sending out a notice on the official by-law changes.

- **President Elect** - Chuck Otte.

He had just come from the new agent luncheon. There were 21 new professionals in attendance.

JCEP’s goal of having 1800 attendance at Galaxy has been well exceeded. There are currently over 2400 registered. Price noted as of August 1, Kansas has 41 ESP members attending and 81 overall Extension staff attending.

- **Secretary** - Becky O'Donnell
Not present. Submitted written report.
Minutes of the ESP Council Meeting from June 19, 2013 were written and posted on the web site.
A reminder was provided to officers and chairs that reports for Annual Conference are due by 10/2/2013. Note: Council directors are not required to provide reports.
Email to bodonnell@ksu.edu
- **Treasurer** - Jennifer Wilson –
The current Statement of Accounts, Budget and Endowment Fund Report were sent out (via email) by the Treasurer to the Council prior to this meeting.
Report received and filed for audit.
- **Annalist/Historian** - Sy Nyhart
No report
- **Editor** - Jennifer Smith
The newsletter has been posted to the website.
- **Past President/Endowment Chair** - Sandra Wick
Not present. Submitted written report.
I had emailed out several reminders to our members of the Endowment grant information along with the website to obtain the application process and the deadline for application which was August 15. We have received 4 applications and a “doodle” is in progress to determine a possible conference call date for the selection of the grant recipients. These will be announced during our ESP recognition at Annual Conference.

Council Director Reports:

- **Northwest Director** - Nadine Sigle
We have one new associate member and have contacted prospects
- **Northeast Director** - John Forshee
Not present
- **Southwest Director** - Robin Eubank
Will be making contacts
- **Southeast Director** - Jan McMahon
Not present
- **State Director** - Doug Jardine
He will be contacting prospective members
- **Retirees** - Ann Domsch
No report
- **Extension Administration** - Daryl Buchholz
Not present

Standing Committee's Reports

- **Annual Conference** – Sandra Wick
Not present. Submitted written report.
I have been participating in several conference calls in planning our Annual Conference. The theme for this year is, “Celebrating Generations of Success.....1863-2013”. We are in the process of determining which concurrent sessions will be offered. The schedule for each of the

agent association meetings during Annual Conference is also being evaluated to avoid as many conflicts as possible. With the shortened schedule, this becomes very challenging. The Annual Conference draft schedule is online under "Employee Resources" tab and then go to the "Annual Conference" tab. There is also information online on our keynote speakers as well.

The schedule for ESP is as follows:

Tuesday, October 22 is ESP Day at Annual Conference with all of our events.

11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – Business meeting

5:00 p.m. -6:30 p.m. – Silent Auction

6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. –ESP Recognition

Sandra needs all your committee and association needs for rooms, times and etc., ASAP to get them on the schedule.

- **Annual Recognition Reception** - Brenda Taxeras
Not present
- **Recognition** – Cheryl Boyer
Not present
- **Budget and Audit** – John Forshee
Not present. Gayle is forwarding cost of Ruby Award Pin to John.
- **Constitution and Bylaws** – Megan Kennelly
Not present
- **Global Relations** – Becky O'Donnell
Not present. Submitted written report.
Becky continues to share announcements of international opportunities for grants, travel, and other possibilities related to global projects via email list.
- **Membership Recruitment and Retention** – Stacey Warner
Sent out letters of invitation. She has received 6 responses back. She asked for responses by Sept. 1 so it could be included in the annual conference booklet.
- **Memorial** – Mark Ploger
He and Gayle have been working with national to included our deceased members in the listed
- **Nomination** – Sandra Wick
Not present. Submitted written report.
Date has been set for the nominating committee to meet.
The committee will be holding a conference call on September 4 to start the task of recruiting members for several offices. We will be following the "nomination schedule" for our officers which is on our website.
- **Professionalism** – Carol Blocksome
Not present
- **Retiree** – Dave Schafer
He is working on the annual conference gathering and will be getting the information to Debbie H.
- **Tenure Recognition** – Debra Bolton
Working on this for the reception during annual conference.

Alpha Rho ESP National Committee Members

- Stacey Warner – Membership Recruitment and Retention
No report

- Margaret Phillips – Scholarships, Grants and Recognition
No report
- Marie Blythe – Professional Development
No report
- Doug Jardine/Sandra Wick – Marketing
A booth will be in up in the exhibit area at Galaxy. They are in the process of developing a recruiting video which will be available after annual conference.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Doug Jardine made a motion to purchase a purple boutonniere and corsage for Daryl and Joyce in recognition of being the Ruby Award Winner. Chuck Otte seconded the motion. Motion carried. Gayle will handle the arrangements.

Announcements:

- Recognition committee has extended their deadline to Sept. 1 to accept nominations for awards and recognition.
- Silent Auction will be held at Annual Conference and Ann Domsch will coordinate
- Next ESP-Alpha Rho Chapter Council Meeting will be held (via telephone conference call) on Wednesday, September 25, 2013, at 1:15 p.m.

Adjourn

Chuck Otte moved that the meeting be adjourned. Dave Shaffer seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 2:48 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Nadine Sigle on behalf of
Becky J. O'Donnell
ESP-Alpha Rho Secretary