

Epsilon Sigma Phi
Council Conference Call
September 29, 2008

Council members assembled in Umberger 125 or called in at 1:00 p.m. for the conference call. Those in attendance included: Stacey Warner, Margaret Phillips, Crystal Coffman, Marie Blythe, Andrea Schmidt, Mark Ploger, Marcia McFarland, Belinda Oldham, Jan Stephens, Carl Garten, Beth Drescher, Eric Otte, Daryl Buchholz, and Karen Blakeslee.

Eric called the meeting to order. He asked for Margaret to update the council regarding nominations. Nominees include: Laurie Chandler, President Elect; Andrea Schmidt, Secretary; Stacey Warner, Treasurer; Jennifer Wilson, Historian; Karen Blakeslee, Newsletter Editor; Dale Fjell, Northeast Council Director; Linda Mirt, Southeast Council Director; and Emily Nolting, State Council Director. Eric will work on securing a nominee for the Retiree Council Director.

Eric asked for additions to the last conference call minutes. Minutes were posted to the web and sent to the membership. Minutes were approved as posted.

Andrea stated that she still needs reports from Sharolyn Flaming Jackson, representing Recruitment and Retention and Mary Sullivan, representing Global Relations.

Stacey gave a Treasurer's report. The budget committee (Resource Management Committee) is meeting on Wednesday, October 1. An audit is being conducted by Fred Delano, and the report will be available at the October 20th business meeting.

Stacey mentioned that the Resource Management Committee will have an item of new business for the annual meeting. Stacey said that Phil Sloderbeck will make the motion. The Public Issues committee will bring constitution and bylaws changes forward.

Margaret said that she picked up three certificates from the Epsilon Sigma Phi recognition breakfast at national meeting. Margaret will present them at annual meeting to the Historian. Margaret will also announce the committee chairs and chair-elects during her report.

Eric will put together an agenda for the business meeting and send to the council members for review.

Crystal reported on the Recognition committee. Crystal said they will now be recognizing 5, 10, 15 and 20 years of service. Certificates will be presented to them at the annual banquet. The 25 year members receive a pen.

Margaret asked Carl for copies of constitution and bylaws for the boxed lunch business meeting. Andrea said she will provide about 75 copies of the Annual Report. Others wishing to provide copies should plan to provide 75 copies.

Carl volunteered to photograph folks at the Epsilon Sigma Phi awards banquet.

Eric asked some of the council members to report at 11:15 a.m. on Monday, October 20 to place copies on the tables, in the Cottonwood Room, prior to the business meeting.

Marcia reported on auction items for the national Epsilon Sigma Phi auction. Lois Redman donated four items. The items were valued at over \$100. Andrea will send a thank you to Lois for the item donations.

Marcia reported on the Retiree committee. How can we involve retirees more than just the luncheon? A survey will be given to retirees at the luncheon. The committee would like to offer a retiree workshop track during annual conference, and a fellowship function sometime during the year. Eric requested that Margaret attend the retiree luncheon on October 22 with him. Daryl stated that he would also be in attendance.

Ann Domsch is coordinating the Epsilon Sigma Phi local banquet auction. Eric will contact her regarding auction details.

Eric will place an announcement in the Tuesday letter and send to the Epsilon Sigma Phi listserv regarding annual conference details.

Marcia thanked Margaret and Stacey for help with committee roles. Susie Farrington has also been a tremendous help also. Margaret is preparing packets for officers and the committee chairs, for the Thursday morning meeting. If anyone can think of items that would be helpful to have in this packet, please let her know.

Karen stated that she is currently collecting information for the banquet program. Items must be to her as soon as possible.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Andrea Schmidt
Epsilon Sigma Phi Secretary