

Alpha Rho Chapter – Epsilon Sigma Phi Council Meeting
Wednesday, September 23, 2015 – 1:15 pm
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Call to order- Stacey Warner called the meeting to order at 1:15 pm on Wednesday, September 23, 2015 by conference call.

Roll Call – Members participating in the call were Stacey Warner, Nozella Brown, Nadine Sigle, Doug Jardine, Sandra Wick, Chuck Otte, Jamie Hancock, Mary Lou Odle, Daryl Buchholz, Deb Wood, and Ann Domsch.

Minutes from August 19, 2015 – <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/esp-alpharho/p.aspx?tabid=21>

Chapter Officer Reports

President – Stacey Warner- There will be eighteen members representing the chapter at the national meeting in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Oct 4 to 7. Debra Bolton and Doug Jardine will be honored with regional awards and seven members will be presenting three concurrent sessions - Diane Mack, Trudy Rice, Jennifer Wilson, Laurie Chandler, Nadine Sigle, Gayle Price and Stacey Warner. Tuesday, October 20 is the day that we annually review the outcomes of our chapter's efforts during the business meeting and celebrate and recognize the accomplishments of our members at the Recognition Reception. For the business meeting each officer and committee chair is encouraged to have a report. If the chair can't be present, please have the chair-elect present the report. If there is a handout please send to Stacey by Wednesday, Oct 14 for posting on the website. The handouts will be projected during the meeting to save having multiple copies on the tables.

President Elect – Nozella Brown – Getting ready for annual conference. Committee assignments are being completed. Have had a good response from members. Thanks were extended for allowing Nozella to attend NELD and she has been able to implement several ideas picked up at the conference.

Secretary – Nadine Sigle – Minutes were posted on the website. Thanks extended to Stacey for sending out the annual meeting notice and constitution, by laws, and policy changes.

Treasurer – Jennifer Wilson – Financial statements were emailed out to the council members

Annalist/Historian – Doug Jardine – No report

Editor – Sandra Wick – Thanked council members for prompt response to request for information for recognition at annual conference.

Past President/Endowment Chair – Chuck Otte – Received 3 requests for program innovation grants and 3 requests for endowment grants – \$11,060 total granted. Connie Hoch scholarship amounts have been exhausted.

Council Directors Reports

NW Director – Jeanne Falk Jones – Not present

NE Director – Jamie Hancock – Thanks were extended to ESP for funding to attend the National Ag Agent Assoc. meeting. She has contacted several new people as prospective members.

SW Director – John Beckman – Not present

SE Director – Gayle Price - A personal message on August 31 was sent to potential ESP members from the SE Area inviting them to join Alpha Rho Chapter.

State Director – Vacant

Retirees – Mary Lou Odle – Several retirees have joined this year and she will continue to work on this. New life members and retirees will be recognized at the recognition event.

Extension Administration – Daryl Buchholz – He will be making personal contacts to extension administration about membership.

Standing Committee's Reports

Annual Recognition Reception – Bertha Mendoza – Not present

Budget and Audit – Deb Wood – The Committee has met and drafted a budget for this next year. It is not a balanced budget and will be eating into the reserves by about \$600. The committee is building the budget according to the actual spending patterns.

Constitution and Bylaws – Laurie Chandler - I am prepared to provide a report at the annual business meeting about the proposed changes for the constitution, bylaws and policies and procedures.

Endowment Auction – Ann Domsch – The action will be called KSRE Auction to get more people involved throughout the entire organization with proceeds going to ESP. A letter has been sent to all area directors encouraging more items to be donated.

Global Relations – Deryl Waldren – Not present

Membership Recruitment and Retention – Chuck Otte – Sent an email to area directors to encourage sending out reminders to become members. 8 new members and 3 associate members will be initiated. Membership recruitment display will be set up Tuesday afternoon of annual conference.

Memorial – Gina Aurand – Not present

Nomination – Chuck Otte - Nominations were received for the following offices:

President Elect – Nadine Sigle, Treasurer – Jennifer Wilson, Historian – Doug Jardine, Southwest Council Director – Andrea Burns, State Council Director – Sandy Procter, Northwest Council Director – still waiting to hear a response.

Professionalism – Marie Blythe – Not present

Recognition– Margaret Phillips - 24 nominations were received for 2015 recognition. We had especially high numbers in Horizon-Local (5), Early Career (3), Mid-Career (4). There were two nominations in several and one in only three categories. While this means that many deserving members are not being recognized it does mean that the membership actively responded to the call for nomination. Recipients and presenters are being contacted in preparation for annual conference. Rebecca McFarland, chair-elect will take committee leadership for the evening with Sheryl Carson's (past chair) assistance. We also had excellence participation of committee members in the process of determining those to be selected. Rebecca will be making the committee report at the annual meeting. Thanks for the privilege of being the Recognition Chair for 2014-15.

Retiree – Ann Domsch -An invitation letter was sent to all retirees that highlighted the activities for retirees during annual conference. The annual retirees' session will follow the awards luncheon with a presentation by Daryl Buchholz and Nozella Brown. Following the administrative update a visiting session will be held.

Tenure Recognition – Debra Bolton – Not present

Alpha Rho ESP National Committee Members

Marie Blythe-Professional Development – Not present

Doug Jardine- Marketing - No report

Sandra Wick- Marketing – No report

Old Business

Update on forming a Kansas JCEP (Joint Council of Extension Professionals) – Chuck Otte – A conference call is scheduled for tomorrow afternoon. The National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals (NACDEP) has formed a chapter in Kansas which increases the need for all extension professional organizations to be communicating through one organization.

Other old business - none

New Business

It has been brought to our attention we may want to consider an additional deadline for travel and endowment scholarships. Several national meetings are held in the spring or early summer and many professionals do not know by August if they will be attending a national meeting to be held the following spring. This discussion will be on-going and carry over into the next year.

Update on proposal to host 2018 meeting – Stacey emailed the national office and received information on how to submit a proposal. The proposal is due February 15. A link will be emailed to committee members and a meeting held during annual conference.

Announcement(s):

Next Chapter Council Meeting: Wednesday, October 21, 2015 – 7:15 am, K-State Student Union State Room

Adjourn: Chuck Otte moved, meeting adjourned.

Upcoming Dates:

Alpha Rho Chapter:

October 20 – ESP Annual Business Meeting, Auction and Recognition Event

October 21 – ESP Council Meeting at 7:00 am

National:

October 4-7 – National ESP Conference in Coeur d'Alene ID