

Alpha Rho Chapter – Epsilon Sigma Phi Council Meeting
Wednesday, December 17, 2014 – 1:15 pm
Conference Call Minutes

Call to Order –President Stacey Warner called the meeting to order by conference call at 1:15 pm.

Those on the call were Stacey Warner, Nadine Sigle, Jennifer Wilson, Doug Jardine, Chuck Otte, Gayle Price, Deb Wood, Laurie Chandler, and Debra Bolton.

Minutes from the annual meeting on October 21 and the council meeting on October 22, 2014 were posted on the web at <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/esp-alpha rho/p.aspx?tabid=21>. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes as posted. Minutes were declared approved.

Chapter Officer Reports

President – Stacey Warner - Future council conference calls are scheduled for Feb 25, April 15, June 24, August 19 and September 23. All calls will be at 1:15 pm.

A packet of information was either given to each officer and committee chair during the annual conference meeting or was mailed. The packet contains a list of committee members, the responsibilities of each committee as well as the conference call number for use by committees.

Stacey challenged each committee to have a conference call soon to review responsibilities. As much as possible chairs are encouraged to involve committee members in the work of the organization.

The chapter website is a great resource for current and historical information about the chapter. The address is <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/esp-AlphaRho/>.

Nozella Brown, president elect and Stacey will represent our chapter at the Joint Council of Extension Professionals meeting in February. Representatives from the other extension professional associations will be attending.

President Elect – Nozella Brown – Not present

Secretary – Nadine Sigle – Minutes were submitted for posting to the web.

Treasurer – Jennifer Wilson – The treasurer’s report was emailed to council members and has been posted to the web. The report does not reflect dues which have been collected. Dues are to be submitted by February 1 to nationals. State deadline is January 12.

Annalist/Historian – Doug Jardine – No report

Editor – Sandra Wick - Thanks to those that submitted information for our ESP winter newsletter. Sandra is working on compiling the information and hopes to have it published by December 31.

Past President/Endowment Chair – Chuck Otte – Chuck is reviewing deadlines for applications and will develop an awareness building campaign. Endowment board members

should be watching for an email from Chuck. He also submitted a short article for the upcoming newsletter.

Council Directors Reports

NW Director – Jeanne Falk Jones – Not present

NE Director – Jamie Hancock – Not present

SW Director – John Beckman – Not present

SE Director – Gayle Price – Gayle has had conversations with new agents in the area and has encouraged them to join. Jennifer has a spread sheet listing who has paid membership dues. She will be contacting area directors to follow up on those who have not paid dues.

State Director – Gary Gerhard – Not present

Retirees – Mary Lou Odle – Not present

Extension Administration – Daryl Buchholz – Not present

Standing Committee Reports

Annual Recognition Reception – Bertha Mendoza – Not present

Budget and Audit – Deb Wood – No report

Constitution and Bylaws – Laurie Chandler – A conference call meeting has been set-up for Friday, December 19, 2014 to review responsibilities. They will review the names of the various committees to see if they line up with nationals.

Endowment Auction - Ann Domsch – Approximately \$522 was collected from the silent auction.

Global Relations – Deryl Waldren – Not present

Membership Recruitment and Retention – Chuck Otte – Chuck has been waiting for the end of the year and will then coordinate with Jennifer to see how we are doing on retention and then get the tail crankers, aka council directors, working on it! He has had some informal discussion with some agents encouraging them to consider joining ESP. He has a short article in the upcoming newsletter.

Memorial – Gina Aurand – Not present

Nomination – Chuck Otte – Chuck has already started promoting the idea of serving as an officer or committee chair. He will have a short article in the upcoming newsletter.

Professionalism – Marie Blythe – Not present

Recognition – Margaret Phillips – Not present

Retiree – Ann Domsch – Not present

Tenure Recognition – Debra Bolton – No report

Alpha Rho National Committee Members

Marie Blythe – Professional Development – Not present

Doug Jardine – Marketing – The committee is working on a survey to send to chapters about marketing materials.

Sandra Wick – Marketing – Not present

Debra Bolton reported she has submitted an application to serve on a national committee. Those applications are due by April 1st.

Old Business

Update on forming a Kansas JCEP (Joint Council of Extension Professionals) – Chuck Otte
– Chuck has put together a paper explaining the reasons to form a JCEP Council instead of KEAA. Each of the respective agent associations have designated 2 or 3 agents to assist in writing bylaws and will have them ready for next annual conference. It is hoped JCEP could plan a 2 day professional development to take the place of spring action conference.

New Business

Review Chapter of Merit Application – Stacey sent out a copy of the chapter of merit application so all officers could see what we are working towards during the year. The application serves as a guideline for setting goals.

Announcements

Next Chapter Council Conference Call is scheduled for Wednesday, February 25, 2015 at 1:15 pm. Note this is a week later than normal.

Chuck moved to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Nadine Sigle, Secretary