

Alpha Rho Chapter - Epsilon Sigma Phi Council Meeting
Wednesday, August 9, 2017 - 1:15 pm
Zoom Meeting
www.ksre.ksu.edu/esp-AlphaRho

Call to Order

Roll Call- Those present were Nadine Sigle, John Forshee, Linda Beech, Stacey Warner, Laurie Chandler, Bruce Chladny, Jim Lindquist, Gayle Price, Nozella Brown, Sandra Wick

Minutes from May 10, 2017 board meeting are posted on the ESP state website at:
<http://www.ksre.k-state.edu/esp-alpharho/minutes/>

Chapter Officer Reports

President - Nadine Sigle- Nadine reported a thank you had been received from Daryl Buchholz for the gift of ESP life membership in recognition of his retirement from K-State Research and Extension.

President Elect - John Forshee- John reported he was honored to represent ESP at Daryl's retirement reception and to present our retirement gift to him.

Secretary - Linda Beech- The minutes of the May meeting were reviewed by the president and president-elect and submitted for posting on our chapter website.

Treasurer - Jennifer Wilson- was unable to attend the meeting but sent the financial statement and Endowment Fund statement to board members via email ahead of time. Nadine reviewed the treasurer's statements and asked if there were questions. With no questions, the report was approved as presented.

Annalist/Historian - Doug Jardine- Unable to participate, but submitted this report: "No historian's report except I hope everyone is reading my articles in the newsletter."

Editor - Sandra Wick- Nadine complimented the most recent newsletter and thanked Sandra for stepping into this position vacancy. Sandra expressed appreciation for those who submitted articles in a timely fashion.

Past President/Endowment Chair - Nozella Brown- August 15th is the deadline for Innovative Grants applications. Only one has been received to date.

Council Directors Reports

NW Director - David Dunn- unable to participate, no report

NE Director - Rhonda Gordon- unable to participate, no report

SW Director - Andrea Burns- unable to participate, no report

SE Director - Chuckie Hessong- unable to participate, no report

State Director - Sandy Procter- unable to participate, no report

Retirees - Marie Blythe- unable to participate, no report

Extension Administration - Gregg Hadley- Nadine will communicate with Gregg about this position and welcome him to join us when available.

Standing Committee Reports

Annual Recognition Event - Bruce Chladny- Recognition event will be on Tuesday of

Annual Conference which is Halloween. Bruce does not know how this will affect attendance. Some changes at the KSU Union will move the poster session to the newly-remodeled courtyard area, then our ESP celebration will be held in the Bluemont Room of the Union. Changes at the Union have also given new catering options. Debbie Hagenmeier and Bruce have communicated about details for our event. Cost has been set for \$15; Bruce asked for input about menu for the recognition event; members confirmed that light desserts and light finger foods are likely expected and will still work for this fall.

Budget and Audit - John Forshee- no report at this time of year. Committee will prepare a budget report for Annual Conference business meeting, and will soon set up a financial review of the treasurer's records.

Constitution and Bylaws - Carl Garten- Unable to participate, no report.

Endowment Auction Committee - Candis Meerpohl- unable to participate. Nadine will remind her to begin working with her committee on this to get the word out with other Annual Conference communications.

Global Relations - Debra Bolton- unable to participate, no report

Membership Recruitment & Retention - Gayle Price- Received list from Stacey's office of new staff and potential new members. Gayle's committee will be communicating with potential members to invite them to join ESP. Gayle asked who will compile program information as her committee recruits new members. Sandra reported that she works with Communications staff to create that, information is usually due in early September. Stacey said Melissa in her office will post all documents for business meeting on our website, and will need information a couple of weeks head of time. For returning members, Gayle will send email invoice with link or information on sending check or online credit card payment with membership renewal.

Memorial - Amy Lorenzen- unable to participate, no report.

Nominations - Nozella Brown- No report yet; has communicated with committee to begin this process.

Professionalism -Vacant, no report.

Recognition - Sharon Erickson-Fryback- unable to participate, but submitted this report in advance: Please remember that nominations are due August 15th. We all are doing great work, please consider nominating yourself or a colleague for the outstanding efforts being done across the state. As of the time of this report I have only received 4 nominations. Note that there are fifteen categories of awards to recognize members for outstanding accomplishments. To be eligible for recognition, individuals must be current ESP members and meet the guidelines for the recognition category. Only Epsilon Sigma Phi members can make a nomination or complete an application. For details on how to make a nomination, visit our Alpha Rho Chapter ESP Recognition webpage at: <http://www.ksre.k-state.edu/esp-alpharho/recognition/>

Retiree - Jim Lindquist- has drafted general letter to retirees, waiting on the final Annual Conference schedule to finalize retiree events. The committee is planning opportunities for retirees to participate together, hear from Gregg Hadley in his new position and participate in some Annual Conference events if interested.

Tenure Recognition - Sarah Keatley- unable to participate, no report.

2018 National Conference Planning - Jennifer Wilson and Stacey Warner- The Alpha Rho Chapter will be hosting the 2018 National Conference September 30-October 3, 2018 in Manhattan. The chapter steering committee is continuing to make preliminary plans. The theme

"Vast Prairies - Endless Possibilities" has been selected. The logo design is being drafted and will be shared at the ESP business meeting at Annual Conference. Keynote speakers have been contacted. They are Dr. JoAnne Owens-Nauslar, Clifton Taulbert and Jim Richardson. Pledges of approximately \$8000 have been received to help with the budget. There will be chapter scholarships available for members to apply for to pay for registration. There is a webpage on the chapter website to see progress regarding the meeting planning. Some chapter members have already volunteered to serve on committees. There will be additional opportunities for members to assist.

Remember that early bird registration for the 2017 ESP National Conference in Wilmington NC closes August 21. Gayle reminded us to let Stacey and Jennifer know if chapter members are attending ESP national conference this year so they will have a list of Kansas members who will be there.

Alpha Rho ESP National Committee Members

Membership Recruitment & Retention - Doug Jardine- unable to participate, no report
Chapter Relations - Doug Jardine- unable to participate, No report other than to encourage everyone who has never been to a national ESP meeting to attend this year so they know what to expect when we host next year.

Scholarships, Grants and Recognition - Laurie Chandler- This committee does their work early in the calendar year, so haven't been active lately. Laurie encouraged members to join a national committee-- a stipend is available to attend national conference for committee members.

Public Issues - Debra Bolton- unable to participate, no report

Old Business

2018 National Conference - Report from Jennifer Wilson and Stacey Warner has covered all the important details.

Annual Conference- The possibility of having a table about the 2018 National Conference near registration area on Union second floor was mentioned. Nadine asked about a promotion video-- Stacey reported Dave Dunn is working on that with the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce for video clips of Manhattan area which could be included. A postcard also being developed for this year's national conference registration packets to promote the 2018 meeting in Kansas. Gayle mentioned the free membership drawing- we did not do this last year, but will need to revisit this before business meeting. There were comments that members missed this drawing opportunity. Jennifer needs to give insights into how this drawing would work best, since the online system created some difficulties with timely lists of those who have paid membership dues. Stacey suggested honor system to enter a drawing.

Administrative Meeting- Nadine, John and Jennifer attended. Formation of Kansas JCEP chapter was referred to Kansas Extension Agents Association to work out details; discussion of state budget situation; agent turnover clarified; new performance review system for agents and Culture of Health discussed.

New Business

United Association Conference report and representatives- Our check from United Association conference has not yet been received from last year's conference attendance by chapter members. The new state planning committee is forming-- our ESP representatives have

typically been president, professionalism committee chair and co-chair. Nadine referred the question to John Forshee, indicating much of the conference has focused on FCS, but Nadine has offered to present Community Vitality break-out session. John asked about the time frame for filling the Professionalism committee leadership slots. Nadine will start to work on this.

Voting delegates for 2017 national meeting- Nadine and John will be our official voting delegates. Nadine also polled the board to know who was already planning to attend. Nadine volunteered to plan a states night out event for those who attend.

Annual Report- Linda asked for a deadline of October 2 for information from officers and committee chairmen for this report.

New Agent Orientation- Nadine will represent ESP at next orientation meeting for new agents.

Zoom call with Dr. Hadley- for association leaders is coming up soon. Nadine and John are planning to participate.

Announcements

Next Chapter Council Call - September 13, 2017, 1:15 pm

Deadline for Innovative Programming Grants - August 15

August 21 is early-bird deadline for National ESP Conference registration

2017 ESP National Conference - October 8-12, 2017, Wilmington, North Carolina

KSRE Annual Conference - October 30 - November 2, 2017

With no further business, Nadine adjourned the call and thanked all for their participation.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Beech
Alpha Rho Chapter Secretary