

Alpha Rho Chapter - Epsilon Sigma Phi Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 8, 2017 - 1:30 pm
Zoom Web Conference

Call to Order- President John called the web conference to order at 1:30 pm.

Roll Call- John Forshee, Nadine Sigle, Jennifer Wilson, Linda Beech, Doug Beech, Jeannie Falk Jones, Chuckie Hessong, Marie Blythe

Minutes from September 13, 2017, board meeting were reviewed by officers and posted on our website at: <http://www.ksre.k-state.edu/esp-alpharho/minutes>. Nadine moved to approve the minutes as published, Chuckie seconded. Motion passed.

CHAPTER OFFICER REPORTS

President - John Forshee- Completed chapter committee list and distributed to members. Visited with some committee chairs at Annual Conference with ideas for their committees.

President Elect - Erin Yelland- not able to attend

Secretary - Linda Beech- minutes of annual business meeting are in first draft and will soon be posted on the website.

Treasurer - Jennifer Wilson- collected a good number of dues at Annual Conference; we now have about 96 members, several who were new this year. The ability for boards to pay professional dues has been an advantage to increased membership. Jennifer said if there are any unpaid bills, those should be submitted to her soon.

Annalist/Historian - Doug Jardine- not able to attend

Editor - Sarah Maass- not able to attend

Past President/Endowment Chair - Nadine Sigle- Thank you for the gift given to her at the recognition reception at Annual Conference

COUNCIL DIRECTORS REPORTS

NW Director - Wayne Moore- not able to attend

NE Director - Rhonda Gordon- not able to attend

SW Director - Sharon Erickson-Fryback- not able to attend

SE Director - Chuckie Hessong- no report at this time

State Director - Stacey Warner- not able to attend

Retirees - Marie Blythe- no report at this time

Extension Administration - Gregg Hadley- not able to attend

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Annual Recognition Event - Jennifer Carr- not able to attend

Budget and Audit - Gina Aurand- not able to attend

Constitution and Bylaws - Jill Martinson- not able to attend, but submitted a report to John in advance: Her committee will work on the addition of membership fees to Kansas JCEP and our associate member policy since it was changed at the national level this year removing all

tenure requirements for ESP membership. Nadine added that our representation at United Associations Conference in the bylaws should be reviewed this year as well.

Endowment Auction Committee - Jodi Besthorn- not able to attend. Jennifer reported the Silent Auction raised \$607 this year, which included \$150 of personal donations. This is down about half from 3-4 years ago, partly due to the event being held on Halloween with a number of agents gone.

Global Relations - Charlotte Shoup-Olsen- not able to attend

Membership Recruitment & Retention - Stacey Warner- not able to attend

Memorial - Jeanne Falk Jones- asked about the duties of this committee. John and Nadine said the committee sends sympathy cards when deaths occur throughout the year and the memorial listing at the end of the year is prepared with assistance from Stacey Warner's office. John indicated cost for cards could be turned in to the treasurer.

Nominations - Nadine Sigle- she plans to start talking soon to a few people who may be good candidates for president-elect.

Professionalism - Susie Latta- Sandra Wick, chair elect, participated in a conference call with the national professional development committee. John also had some suggestions from national ESP meeting to pass along to that committee

Recognition - Elizabeth Brunscheen-Cartagena- not able to attend

Retiree - Doug Beech- Nine retirees attended the retirees session at Annual Conference. As part of the event, Gregg Hadley conducted a "listening session" about internal and external factors affecting Extension and positive and negative factors. This was very successful and the retirees appreciated Gregg's attentive listening.

Tenure Recognition - Aliesa Woods- not able to attend

2018 National Conference Planning - Jennifer Wilson and Stacey Warner- Jennifer has nothing new to report since Annual Conference. She wants to be sure everyone is aware of the change of dates– the new dates are October 1-4, 2018. Stacey and Jennifer are looking for someone who would head up the opening evening event at the Flint Hills Discovery Center.

ALPHA RHO ESP NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Membership Recruitment & Retention - Doug Jardine- not able to attend

Chapter Relations - Doug Jardine- not able to attend

Scholarships, Grants and Recognition - Laurie Chandler- not able to attend

Public Issues - Debra Bolton- not able to attend

Professional Development- Susie Latta- not able to attend

OLD BUSINESS

1. **2018 National Conference - Report from Jennifer Wilson and Stacey Warner -** nothing to add from committee report. How to involve all membership and other professional associations will be discussed by the steering committee and chapter board at future meetings.

2. **Update on newly formed Kansas JCEP Chapter-** this was discussed and referred to the Constitution and Bylaws committee for further review.

3. **United Associations Conference -**this was discussed briefly and referred to the Constitution and Bylaws committee for review.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Review and Set Council Meeting Dates - the proposed schedule of Council meeting dates, see below, was adopted by consensus of the group.
2. Set Goals for 2017-18: John reviewed these suggested goals:
 - Reaching out to younger colleagues to get involved in ESP- explore how we can be relevant to younger colleagues and meet their needs.
 - Increase number of associate members in first three years of profession as a way to get young colleagues involved early. Review Associate membership in light of new national guidelines for immediate eligibility.
 - Reach out to increase membership among specialists
 - ESP membership mentoring process for new colleagues- Nadine suggested this might be a good role for the Area Counselors
 - Kansas award applicants in all recognition categoriesOther goals? John added goal of increased professional development opportunities led by the professionalism committee. This goal list will be revisited at the January council meeting for further discussion.
3. Review of deadlines for travel and endowment scholarships and award applications- national award applications are due March 1, local travel & endowment scholarships are due in June and August. These are the same dates as last year.
4. Reminder of article for winter newsletter- Sarah will notify the membership to submit articles.
5. Thoughts on annual conference- Kudos to the reception committee for a wonderful and professional evening. Scheduling over Halloween was unfortunate, but the Annual Conference sessions were well done. Nadine asked if Barry Flinchbaugh's address was recorded and could be posted on the ESP website. (Good comments were heard from new agents about Barry's presentation.)
6. Other new business- none

Announcements

- 2018 ESP National Meeting, October 1-4, 2018, Manhattan, KS
- JCEP Leadership Conference - February 14-15, 2018, Orlando, Florida- Linda Beech has been asked to represent our chapter since John has attended before. Doug Jardine will be there as national officer.
- PILD Leadership Conference - April 8-11, 2018, Arlington, VA- Erin Yelland will attend representing ESP
- United Associations Conference- March 1-2 in Wichita
- Deadline to submit award applications to national - March 1. Sharon Erickson-Fryback will follow-up with our award winners to encourage them to submit a national award application
- KSRE Annual Conference - 2018 dates are tentative at this time-- Oct 16-19, 2018
- 2019 ESP National Conference - October 14-17, 2019, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Jeannie asked about professional development opportunities in ESP that are an incentive and reason for members to join ESP. Further discussion will be held at future council meetings.

President John declared the meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda Beech
Alpha Rho chapter secretary

2017-2018 Council Meeting Dates -
To be held via Zoom web conference

Organizational Meeting	Wednesday, November 8th, 2017	1:30 p.m.
Council Meeting	Wednesday, January 10th, 2018	1:30 p.m.
Council Meeting	Wednesday, March 14th, 2018	1:30 p.m.
Council Meeting	Wednesday, May 9th, 2018	1:30 p.m.
Council Meeting	Wednesday, August 9th, 2018	1:30 p.m.
Council Meeting	Wednesday, September 12th, 2018	1:30 p.m.