

EPSILON SIGMA PHI

Alpha Rho Chapter

BOARD MEETING

November 19, 2004

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The Board meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Marie Blythe, president. Roll call was taken by site. Those present were: Stacey Warner, Donna Martinson, Fred DeLano, Roger Terry, Kathy Wright, Les Frazier, Marie Blythe, Carla Morrical-Fredering, Anna Muir, Jan Stephens, Bev Duning, Bob Neier, Eric Otte, Carl Garten, Mary Lou Odle, Gary Gold, Vicky Overley, Susie Latta, Michael Vogt, Laurie Chandler, Crystal Coffman.

Marie asked members to review the agenda; discussion of a bylaw change adding metro counties was added. The minutes were reviewed and Susie moved to accept them. The motion was seconded and passed.

Officer Reports:

President - Marie reported that Susie Latta is serving as NE area counselor by appointment and Laurie Chandler is completing Alan Ladd's unexpired term on the Endowment Fund Board.

– She also reported that in the future ESP may want to consider making the photos of past Extension Directors that hang in Umberger 11"x14" size.

– Ruth Wells has donated a print of a pencil drawing for the ESP silent auction which will be saved for Annual Conference.

Secretary - Jan reported that the Annual Meeting minutes are on the Web.

Treasurer - Stacey reported that 65 members have paid annual dues, compared to 107 at the end of last year. Nine associate members have paid dues. Area counselors will be receiving a list of those who need to be contacted. The treasurer's report was faxed to sites.

Fred moved, it was seconded that the June Board minutes be approved. The motion passed.

Kathy moved to approved the treasurer's report, it was seconded and carried.

Editor - Donna reviewed the newsletter process. Costs have increased; because of bylaws changes, everyone received a hard copy.

Council Members - No reports from Metro, NE, NW, SE, SW, or KSU. Fred reported on plans for the retirees luncheon and reception at Annual Conference.

Memorial - Eric suggested that after the Exten-o-gram notice of a death, that ESP send a sympathy card.

Public Issues - Michael reported the bylaw changes were approved at Annual Meeting.

Recruitment - Anna reported on the seven new members that had joined.

Resource management - It was noted that these items will be discussed in New Business.

Retiree Action - Les reported planning a lunch with 15 minute program in the middle of the week of Annual Conference.

Professional Development - Bob discussed the ESP Endowment Fund Grant to help first time attendees go to National meeting in Colorado.

Mentoring and Global Relations - Marie said chairs of these committees are yet to be filled.

Old Business:

It was announced that United Associations Conference will be in Wichita on March 3 - 4, 2005.

New Business:

Stacey moved to recommend that when the next Extension Director photo is purchased for Umberger Hall, that the photos be 11"x14". The motion was seconded and passed.

Stacey reported that Chapter Alpha Rho had received the Chapter Merit Award from National and Carl was thanked for submitting the required forms. No action was taken.

Roger recommended three considerations from the Resource Management committee.

1. The profit from United Associations Conference (usually \$1000-\$1500) be put in the checking account or endowment account. Discussion of where the funds should be placed followed. The general recommendation was \$500 to the checking account with the remaining amount to the endowment fund.
2. Loan program consideration. Stacey suggested the funds be a scholarship instead of a loan. Discussion was the possibility of it being part of the endowment award.
3. Travel Grants. Discussion included the possibility of funds to in-service trainings. Stacey suggested that Marie appoint a committee to consider these 3 items. Marie will appoint a committee to proceed with these considerations.

The procedure for selecting awardees of the ESP Endowment Fund Grant for first-time attendees to National Meeting was discussed. The Professional Development committee will do this with Stacey.

Discussion about the recent bylaws change included the consideration of having 4 or 5 areas.

Carl reported numbers of possible members/staff for each alternative:

4 Areas: SW-64; SE-82; NE-89; NW-51 = 286

5 Areas: SW-64; SE-58; NE-50; NW-51; Metro-63 = 286

Marie requested that board members keep in touch with members about this issue and it will be discussed at the next board meeting.

It was noted that pictures of award winners may have been missed at annual meeting and this needs to be considered for the future.

The next board meeting will be at United Associations Conference with possible polycom/phone connections. Marie will appoint a Resource management recommendation committee.

It was moved to adjourn, the motion was seconded and passed.