

Alpha Rho Chapter – ESP Council Meeting
April 23, 2014 – 1:15 p.m.
Minutes
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Call to order- Chuck Otte called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Roll Call- Members participating in the conference call were Chuck Otte, Stacey Warner, Nadine Sigle, Jennifer Wilson, Doug Jardine, Sandra Wick, Gayle Price, Jeanne Falk Jones, John Forshee, Susie Latta, Andrea Burns, and Sheryl Carson

Minutes of February 19, 2013 Conference Call – Posted on the website – With no additions or corrections to the minutes as posted on the website, Chuck declared the minutes approved as posted.

Chapter Officer Reports

President – Chuck Otte – It was brought to our attention that the associate members are not receiving the newsletters from national. Chuck has checked on this and they can easily be added to the mailing list. We encourage associate members to become full members.

President Elect – Stacey Warner – In reviewing the responsibilities of the President Elect, Stacey was reminded she needed to touch base with all committees. She will follow up with this and also start recruiting for chair elects for next year's committees.

Secretary – Nadine Sigle – Two thank you cards were received and shared with the Council members. One from Gayle Price for the support received this past year as president, and the other from Carolyn Harms for the Friend of Extension Award.

Treasurer – Jennifer Wilson – the financial reports were emailed to the council and posted to the website. It was noted that the travel expenses for PILD were not coded correctly and this will be changed. Our expenditures are running about average to a little below normal this year. Part of this is due to the scholarships and reimbursements officers received for PILD.

Annalist/Historian – Doug Jardine – No Report

Editor – Sandra Wick – The Nov/Dec Newsletter is online. Another newsletter is scheduled for mid-year. Normally it comes out in August but she will attempt to have it out by mid-July so that members can review the information for scholarship and award deadlines in a timely manner.

Past President/Endowment Chair – Gayle Price – An article was placed in the Tuesday letter about scholarships available. The grant application deadline is August 1. She continues her work with the foundation to update the marketing brochure.

Council Directors Reports

NW Director – Jeanne Falk Jones – There are 3 new agents in North West and she has visited with two of them about joining ESP. They are considering membership. Jeanne asked for clarification if new agents are given information about the various extension associations at agent training. It was explained that they are and the next time will be at the August 20th training. Stacey Warner follows up with each association president and gives them the names of the new agents.

NE Director – John Forshee – There are 3 new hires in NE.

SW Director – John Beckman – Not Present

SE Director – Jan McMahan – Not Present

State Director – Gary Gerhard – Not Present

Retirees – Ann Domsch – Not Present

Extension Administration – Daryl Buchholz – Not Present

Standing Committee's Reports

Annual Recognition Reception – Chelsea Richmond – Not Present

Budget and Audit – Susie Latta – No Report

Constitution and Bylaws – Carl Garten – No Report

Global Relations – Denise Dias – Not Present

Membership Recruitment and Retention – Andrea Burns – She has been working with Martha Monihen to develop a new letter and recruitment brochure. It will soon be posted to the website. Stacey will be getting a list to Andrea of prospective members.

Memorial – Ann Ludlum – Not Present

Nomination – Gayle Price – No Report

Professionalism – Ginny Barnard – Not Present

Recognition – Sheryl Carson – Six award applications were submitted to national: Friend of Extension – Mr & Mrs. Steve Irsik; Mid Career – DeAnn Presley; Visionary leadership – Barbara Stone; Diversity/Multicultural

Individual – Liz Brunscheen-Cartegena; Diversity/Multicultural Team – Ruddy Yanez, Alejandra Romero, Bertha Mendoza, Debra Bolton, and Rod Buchele. No awards were submitted for Administrative Leadership, Distinguished Service and Distinguished Team.

Retiree – Fred DeLano – Not Present

Tenure Recognition – Jeanne Falk Jones – She will be visiting with Stacey about this.

Alpha Rho ESP National Committee Members

Stacey Warner- Membership Recruitment and Retention – Everyone was given a reminder the scholarship deadline for attendance at National meeting is June 1st. Kansas normally has good attendance and it is a great opportunity to network with agents across the county. The website for registration is not open yet. The 2015 ESP National Meeting will be held in Coeur d’Alene, ID.

Marie Blythe-Professional Development – Not Present

Doug Jardine- Marketing – A conference call was held in March. They reviewed the results of the survey taken at last year’s Galaxy meeting. Continue to work on the national brochure. Discussion was held on how to attract newer, younger members. They are considering setting up exhibits at each of the association’s national meetings if it is not cost prohibitive.

Sandra Wick- Marketing – She was not able to participate in the March conference call.

Old Business

UAC Conference Update – There was good attendance with good topics and keynote speakers. Gayle was able to complete the evaluation through Qualtrix. Participants were pleased with the electronic evaluation. The program saved a great deal of time in compiling results.

New Business

PILD Report – Jennifer Wilson – This was a great experience and thanked the council for allowing her to attend. A lot of the discussion at the business meeting was centered about the 100 year anniversary of extension. The National President’s Theme is “Growing the Extension Professional – the next 100 years.” Local chapters can compete for a \$500 cash award by reporting creative and innovative chapter activities in a two-minute video and one page summary. This year will be ESP’s first year for electronic voting in advance of our national conference. Delegates will vote in May. The goal is to help future board members engage and become oriented to their roles in advance of coming on the board, which officially begins at the post board meeting at national conference. Jennifer also stated she picked up some good advocacy skills and appreciated be able to directly apply them when making hill visits.

Chapter Award applications, Chapter of Merit and Achievement in Membership – Chuck will be completing these soon as they are due May 1st. He may be in contact with members as the need arises.

Annual Conference – Ken Odde, Department Head of Animal Science and Industry, is the chair of annual conference this year. His observation is that the majority in attendance at annual conference are KSRE staff and that the conference needs to be geared to meet their needs. One of the focuses will be the centennial of extension. The time of the ESP annual meeting was discussed. By consensus it was decided to leave the meeting the first noon hour of conference with the silent auction and recognition event to happen that evening.

Announcement(s):

Next Chapter Council Conference Call: Wednesday, June 18, 2014

Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nadine Sigle