

**Alpha Rho Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Phi: Council Meeting
Wednesday, May 8, 2019**

Called to Order: 1:05 pm

Present: Lisa Martin, Stacy Warner, Erin Yelland, Nancy Daniels, Beth Hinshaw, Elizabeth Kiss, Sandra Wick, Deb Andres, John Forshee

Reading and Disposal of Unapproved Minutes

- Minutes from the March Council Meeting were approved.

Reports of Officers and Committee

Chapter Officers

- **President** – Erin Yelland: Erin reported that she attended the National Extension Leadership Conference and learned ideas to help enhance our state organization.
- **President-Elect** – Jennifer Wilson reported through email: I will not be able to attend the ESP Zoom this week as I will be at the Art of Extension training. As for my report, I attended the PILD conference in Washington, D.C. last month. It was a great conference. We heard a lot about innovation in Extension which was very thought provoking. Best quote from speaker Paul Hill— “Everyone wants innovation; no one wants change.” Congress was on recess for Easter so we did not get to meet with our Congressional delegation, but did have great meetings with their staffers.
- **Secretary** – Lisa Martin reported that she will get the previous minutes updated on the website.
- **Treasurer** – Deb Wood reported that we have \$19186.78 in the general account, \$5718.64 in CDs and \$153275.65 in the endowment. Erin will send out the financial statement.
- **Annalist/Historian** – Doug Jardine: No report
- **Editor** – Denise Dias sent a request through email for newsletter articles that are due June 1, 2019. See her email.
- **Past President/Endowment Chair** – John Forshee reported that he sent out the request for applications for professional development scholarships. The deadline was extended from May to May 15, 2019. The committee will meet on May 20, 2019 to review applications. A question was raised about using the funds for an advanced degree at K-State or for other national conference. Stacy Warner stated that this was appropriate.

Council Directors

- **NW Director** – vacant
- **NE Director** – Candis Meerpohl: No report
- **SW Director** – Sharon Erickson-Fryback: No Report.
- **SE Director** – Beth Hinshaw: No report.
- **State Director** – Stacey Warner reported that she is not aware of any new people on campus.
- **Retirees** – Doug Beech: No report.
- **Extension Administration** – Gregg Hadley: No report

Standing Committees

- **Annual Recognition Reception** – Megan Dougherty: No report
- **Constitution and Bylaws** – Elizabeth Kiss met with Erin on Monday and is waiting for information on the change in dues. The vote will take place at Annual Conference.

- **Endowment Auction Committee** – John Forshee: No report
- **Global Relations** – Sara Sawyer sent her report through email: I contacted Peggy Compton, National Global Relations Chair, and she gave me some information regarding what the National Committee is doing. I am waiting to hear back if they have the webinar done for state committees providing ideas on activities to work on.
Additionally, I have reviewed the minutes clear back through 2012 on the website to see what the committee has previously done. We are meeting via Zoom on May 24th from 9 am – 10 am to discuss previous activity and brainstorm goals.
- **Membership Recruitment & Retention** – Nancy Daniels reported that she is working on a new member recognition. Lisa suggested providing new members with a Get to Know You Zoom meeting and offered to help Nancy with developing one.
- **Memorial** – John Beckman: No Report
- **Nomination** – Rhonda Gordon: No report
- **Professional Development** – Sandra Wick: The committee will meet.
- **Recognition** – Chelsea Richmond: No report
- **Resource Development:** Deb reported that her committee will meet to discuss dues increase and will send the increase out for a vote.
- **Retiree** – Marie Blythe: No report
- **Tenure Recognition** – Patsy Maddy: No report

Unfinished Business

Unpaid loan: the recipient was contacted again and did not respond so the loan will be written off.

New Business

1. Nancy Daniels will look into webinars for members and will discuss with her committee.
2. Reaching out to 1992 schools was also discussed and Nancy will visit with Marlin Bates in regards to Haskell.
3. Increase in dues: Elizabeth and John will visit about the increase in National Dues and will send a vote out to membership through Qualtrics and will ratify at Annual Conference. The increase will \$5 and dues will increase to \$85.00 for 2020. There was also discussion on JCEP dues included in fee. This will also require a change in bylaws.

Announcements

Adjournment