Oklahoma State Council of ESA Executive/General Board Meeting Minutes November 3, 2012 Minutes

The meeting of the Executive and General Board of the Oklahoma State Council of ESA was called to order by President, Joyce Gibson at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 3, 2012, at the Holiday Inn , Norman, Oklahoma.

President Joyce Gibson introduced Aletha Bolt, Webmaster and Sooner Seniorette, who led a discussion on the Blue Book. Although some find the Blue Book helpful others expressed concerns regarding inaccuracies or lack of information contained in sections for their position. Aletha asked everyone to read the section for their position, the convention section and the contest section several times and recommend any changes they feel, need to be made. Bounce ideas off of others. Some of the ideas discussed were setting up a calendar format for some positions with timing issues, setting up spreadsheets on line for some positions, the need for a hard copy for all offices, timing of revisions and the position responsible for the revisions. She emphasized that each officer and chairman should be responsible for their position. Gwynn Nell Swanson, Junior Past President and Sooner Seniorette, is working on the revisions this year. Joyce Whitewing Slate stated that she, Gladys Murphy and Carolyn Slate put together the first Blue Book shortly before Joyce served as Oklahoma State President.

Dr. Billye Peterson, Treasurer, read a letter she received from Sue Cole at Oklahoma School for the Deaf regarding a student that needs assistance. His name is Andy Lobaugh and he is taking college classes while he is attending OSD and needs assistance with his college tuition and books. Sue asked, in her letter, if anyone had a resource that might be able to help. Billye is going to get specific information on the amount he needs and will put out a general email to all the chapters and get the information in the next PJ.

Dr. Billye Peterson stated that a friend who is a retired VP at the University of Central Oklahoma has written a book. She loves ESA and all that it does for others and has offered to donate to ESA all of her royalties on the hard copies that are sold by members of ESA. Her friend is Evelyn Wilson but writes under her maiden name which Billye doesn't know. Billye will get her pen name. The title of the book is Missing Emily and is the story about a young girl that goes missing. The author recommends selling the book for \$15.00, \$11.00 of which is her cost and the remaining \$4.00 would go back to ESA.

Mary Johnson made the motion and seconded that we accept the offer from Evelyn Wilson to help sell her book <u>Missing Emily</u> and receive the \$4.00 profit per hard copy book sold. Motion carried. It was determined that proceeds would go into an earmarked fund and the use of the funds would be determined later.

Linda Southerland, Second Vice President, asked if we are bonded. Billye Peterson confirmed that we are covered by a \$10,000 Blanket Bond. There was some concern that the company would not honor the three year term that was paid for last year. Billye has received verbal confirmation that the company will honor the three year term.

President Joyce announced that the Oklahoma State Council meeting would begin after a short break and declared the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Mary Adams State Recording Secretary 2012-13