

Epsilon Sigma Alpha International  
80<sup>th</sup> Annual Oklahoma State Convention  
“ESA...The Stars Come Out”  
Tulsa Marriott Southern Hills, Tulsa, OK  
Second General Assembly  
April 29, 2023

Chaplain Peggie Sprinkle conducted a beautiful Celebration of Life service.

President Linda Jones called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m. She thanked the board and members for supporting her during her year. She reminded chapters to give their roll call attendance sheets to Recording Secretary Darla Barton.

Linda introduced the head table: IC Representative, Margaret Kramer; MARC Representative, Brenda Fields; Vice President, Patty Heer; Parliamentarian, Robbin Brown; Corresponding Secretary, Eileen Wiley; Recording Secretary, Darla Barton and Treasurer, Jennifer Sparkman.

Recording Secretary Darla Barton reported on the First General Assembly Minutes. She moved to dispense with the reading of the 1<sup>st</sup> General Assembly minutes of this convention. Judi York, Beta Gamma Tulsa seconded. A vote was taken. Motion carried.

Credentials Chair Mara Wheeler reported the number of ESA chapters in Oklahoma was 25; chapters in attendance were 16; total votes for IC Convention were 32; eligible votes for election were 22.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President/President Elect Patty Heer presented her 2023-2024 Executive Board slate of officers:

Western District Coordinator – Jennifer Sparkman  
Easter District Coordinator – Dawn Haley  
Jr. Past President/Disaster Fund Chair – Linda Jones  
Corresponding Secretary – Peggy Campbell  
Parliamentarian – Jacque Cantrel  
State Project Director – Margaret Kramer  
Petticoat Journal Editor – Gwynn Nell Swanson  
Treasurer – Tammy Ramirez

Recording Secretary – Robbin Brown  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President/Nominating Committee Chair – Darla Barton  
President – Patty Heer

According to the Bylaws, notice of intent to nominate from the floor must have been submitted to Patty 10 days prior to this convention. None were received; therefore, nominations are closed. Patty moved the Slate of Officers to be elected by acclamation. Billye Putnam, Gamma Zeta Edmond seconded. With no objections, the Slate of Officers was approved as presented.

President Elect Patty Heer presented her proposed bid for the 2024 State Convention. The proposed date will be April 26-28, 2024. The proposed location will be the Delta Marriott Hotel Reed Conference Center in Midwest City. Proposed registration \$150.00; proposed room rate \$120 + tax for a king or double queen room. Patty moved to accept the proposal bid. The bid will be approved.

President Linda announced, Darla Barton, as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, will chair the Nominating Committee. Linda Jones, as Jr. Past President, will serve as a member. Four more members needed to be nominated; two from the Eastern District and two from the Western District. Linda opened the floor for nominations for the 2024-2025 Nominating Committee. Nominees were Judi York and Rosalie Griffith from Eastern District; Jacci Gantz and Aletha Bolt from Western District. Billye Putnam, Gamma Zeta Edmond moved that the nominations cease, and the slate of nominees be accepted by acclamation. Peggie Sprinkle, Beta Gamma Tulsa seconded. The Nominating Committee will be approved as presented.

Auditor Leslie Farabee reported that several books were audited prior to the Convention. Additional books will be audited. The final report would be presented at the June State Council meeting.

Educational Chair Jacque Cantrel for 2022-2023 thanked members for sending in educationals based on her theme: Rt 66 Diners/Drive Ins East to West Coast.

Educational Chair Peggie Sprinkle for 2023-2024 introduced her theme; Enjoy the Little Things in Life. She will reference the Peanuts Gang in her educationals. She

considers the “little things” in life to be walking or baking; something to make a person happy and to learn things along the way.

Sooner Seniorette President Margaret Kramer announced the new Sooner Seniorette officers; President, Linda Leveridge; Secretary/Treasurer, Sandy Lackey; Historian, Linda Jones.

President Linda asked for a show of hands of those planning to attend IC Convention in Grapevine, TX.

Sooner Senioresses inducted Linda Jones as their newest member.

MARC Rep, Brenda Fields gave her closing remarks.

Photographer Jerry Hymer announced that pictures from this Convention would be on his website Sunday evening for members to purchase.

IC Rep, Margaret Kramer presented a workshop “Did You Know This or That About ESA?”

President Linda recessed the OK State Council 2<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly at 10:19 a.m. She informed attendees they would reconvene after the Awards Ceremony and luncheon, which would begin at 12:00 p.m.

The “Celebrating ESA Rock Stars” Awards Luncheon was held. Winners were recognized.

President Linda reconvened the 2<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly at 2:34 p.m.

IC Rep Margaret Kramer gave her closing remarks.

Gifts were presented to the outgoing President Linda Jones.

Linda gave her 2022-2023 State President’s farewell address.

The raising and lowering of the gavels, of the incoming and outgoing Presidents began.

Outgoing President Linda presented Incoming President Patty Heer with the President's Gavel.

2023-2024 President Patty Heer gave her acceptance speech and presented her Board.

Sooner Seniorette Aletha Bolt retired the flags.

Linda declared, the 2<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the 80th Annual Convention meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m. Members recited the Closing Ritual.

Submitted by  
Darla Barton/Recording Secretary