

Oklahoma State Council of ESA  
State Council Meeting  
June 8, 2013

The Oklahoma State Council meeting was called to order at 10:52 a.m. by State President Tina Davenport McKamie. Tina led members in the opening ritual. Hope for Heroes Coordinator Peggie Sprinkle led members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chaplain Nellrita Barrick gave the devotional for the day which was a short story taken from the book "Joy for a Woman's Soul" written by Kathy Troccoli, one of the leaders of the Women of Faith. The title was "The Joy of a Good Attitude." Nellrita also read a verse from the Bible, John 8:12 and said the blessing over today's lunch.

President Tina Davenport McKamie welcomed members to the meeting. She made the following introductions:  
Rosalie Griffith - ESA Membership Corp. President, Past IC President, "The Energizer" and Sooner Seniorette;  
Deb Hughes - IC Senior State President's Chairman, IC Workshop Coordinator Candidate, Social Media Chairman and Sooner Seniorette;  
Cathy Holsted - ESA Foundation Director, Past IC President, Past ESA Foundation Chairman, 2012 IC Convention Chairman and Sooner Seniorette;  
Ramona Paine - IC Bylaws Committee, Outstanding Chapter Chairman and Senior Seniorette;  
Vivian Gibson - Past ESA Foundation Director, ESA Foundation Counselor and Sooner Seniorette;  
Jeanne Meyer - Past ESA Foundation Director, Contest Chairman and Sooner Seniorette;  
Dixie Palmer Founder, Ms. Billie Fritch and last but not least - the beautiful, unbelievably amazing Sooner Senioresses.

Tina recognized first time State Council meeting attendees - four as well as DESA's - one, Pledges - two and guests - one. She reminded everyone to be sure to have signed in for the attendance would be taken from the registration.

The members of the committee to read the minutes of this meeting are Chairman Cathy Holsted, Linda Voss and Linda Leveridge.

The members of the committee to read the minutes of the 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Oklahoma State Convention were Kay Brader, Chairman, Sharon McGuire and Peggy Pate. They could not be at the meeting but did submit their report to Tina and it was corrected as printed.

#### **Officer Reports and Presentations:**

**First Vice-President/Nominating Chairman, Linda Southerland** presented Educational Award not presented at Convention - The Gold Seal. 3<sup>rd</sup> Place went to Robbin Brown, Zeta Gamma

#4253, Shawnee. 2<sup>nd</sup> Place went to Kay Brader, Beta Rho #1270, Del City. 1<sup>st</sup> Place was Peggy Sprinkle, Beta Gamma #391, Tulsa.

**Corresponding Secretary, Jennifer Stewart** read regrets and other correspondence received.

**Petticoat Journal Editor, Lori Few** reported that chapter Presidents could email her a list of members that want to receive the PJ via regular mail and mail the payments to her. First deadline for submissions in the PJ is July 5<sup>th</sup>. She said the PJ will be done a little differently in that she is going to do an E-Newsletter. This should make things easier to access everything you need.

**Secret Sister Coordinator, Linda Jones** asked that those board members that are participating in the program and have not drawn a name yet to please see her before she leaves at noon.

**Second Vice President/Education Director, Billye Peterson** taught us how to make homemade bath salts and packaged them as gifts, one for yourself and a sister that couldn't be at the meeting in relation to her theme "Take an Idea home...Pay it Forward". She also showed us a sample of the next "Take an Idea home...Pay it Forward" we will do at August leadership. Spoons and jewels will be involved. What a fun thing to look forward to.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:04 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1:05.

**Recording Secretary, Nancy Baucom** reported that we had a total of 51 in attendance today. There were 14 officers, 22 board members, 13 members, 1 DESA and 1 guest.

**ESA Foundation Counselor, Vivian Gibson** requested that foundation members who have not signed their Foundation IC Credentials get with her to do so today. She also asked that a representative of chapters that belong to the foundation make sure that the Chapter President or a representative has signed for the chapter. Vivian asked the members to donate "Made in Oklahoma" items to help with the Oklahoma Basket for the Foundation's auction or they could donate the money to buy the items. She reported that the Foundation has two fundraisers per year which are the Fantasy Ball and the auction at IC Convention. Any donations are sent directly to the Foundation at 323 W. Drake Road, Ft. Collins, CO 80526.

**Treasurer, Margaret Kramer** presented the financial report: Balance transferred from 2012-2013 was \$4,859.99, income \$2,009.71, expenses \$0.00, leaving a balance as of June 8, 2013, of \$6,869.70. The Speakers Fund \$1,171.96, IC Campaign Fund \$219.36, Doer's Fund \$172.25 and 2012 IC Convention deposit of \$5,515.14. Certificate of Deposit balance is \$4,002.07. The Treasurer's report will be filed as corrected. Margaret presented the proposed 2013-2014 Budget. Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, Margaret moved the 2013-2014 proposed budget be approved. Coming from a committee, no second was required. Motion carried.

**Project Director, Darlene Cushenberry** was unable to be at the meeting so Barbara Childers gave the report. Barbara reported the balance in the account was \$3,050.00. The OSD wish list was for small pool tables for their recreation room. Donna Shook and Cathy Holsted volunteered to donate the pool tables. Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, Barbara moved that small pool tables be donated by Donna Shook and Cathy Holsted. Coming from a committee no second was required. Motion carried.

Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, Barbara moved the funds of \$1,794.00 to be sent to the OSD to use at their discretion. Coming from a committee no second was required. Motion carried.

The OSB wish list was for two Dell desktop computers. Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, Barbara moved that the funds in the amount of \$1,256.00 be used to purchase two Dell computers for the Oklahoma School for the Blind. Coming from a committee no second was required. Motion carried.

She announced that February 22, 2014 will be the tour for the Oklahoma School for the Blind and October 5, 2013 will be the tour for the Oklahoma School for the Deaf.

**Contest Chairman, Jeanne Meyer** reported that upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, she moved to allow members to enter up to two (2) items per category in the Association of the Arts. Coming from a committee no second was required. Motion carried.

Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, Jeanne moved to make the following change to the Outstanding Chapter Official Judging Sheet: Category Publicity, Section B "An article submitted for any publication". Change the point value from 10 to 5. Coming from a committee no second was required. Motion carried.

Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, Jeanne moved to make the following change to the Outstanding Chapter Official Judging Sheet: Category Participation, Section J "Publicity materials for one (1) page in the State Publicity Book". Change the point value from 10 to 5. Coming from a committee no second was required. Motion carried.

Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, Jeanne moved to make the following change to the Outstanding Chapter Official Judging Sheet: Category Participation. Add Section K, "Hope for Heroes". Award 10 points for participation in a "Hope for Heroes" event. Coming from a committee no second was required. Motion carried.

**2013 Convention Chairman, Cathy Holsted** reported that it was very successful. The income was \$16,827.84. Expenses were \$13,235.77. Total profit was \$3,592.07. The state council was refunded their room because it ended up being in the comp block. State council part of the profit was \$1,380.71. Chapter profit was \$2,211.36 and was divided between five chapters. Four chapters received \$442.27 and one chapter got \$442.28. Final profit did not come from registration but from \$1,232.21 - the hotel's generosity of not charging sales tax; \$1,600.00 in ad sales;

\$295.00 Hospitality room profit; \$300.00 50/50 jar; \$467.00 chances; \$689.00 sales at the shopping on the mall in November and \$430.00 in other sales.

**2014 Convention Chairman, June Miller** was traveling in Italy so Margaret Kramer gave the report. Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, Margaret moved that the registration for the 2014 Convention be increased to \$100 for members. Coming from a committee no second was required. Motion carried.

**ESA for St. Jude, Donna Shook:** Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, Donna moved that a new Standing Rule be approved: No. 9: ESA members working at a State Council sponsored philanthropic event in lieu of attending a state council or district meeting will be counted as attending that meeting. Coming from a committee no second was required. Motion carried.

**Speakers Fund:** Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, Tina moved the \$250 from the Speakers Fund be used for a guest speaker at the August State Council Leadership. Coming from a committee, no second was required. Motion carried.

**Jr. Past President/Disaster Fund Chairman, Joyce Gibson** handed out information that explained what the Disaster Fund is for and who is eligible and her mailing address. She has labeled three jars. Each jar has an activity listed on the front of it. .Baton, Hula Hoop and Impersonation. All we have to do is place our loose change, etc or vote in the one we want to see President Tina do the most and whichever has raised the most money or votes between now and March is the activity she will perform for us at the March meeting.

**Sr. Past President/Workshop Coordinator, Gwynn Nell Swanson** asked for suggestions that everyone would like to have as workshops at convention.

2014 State Convention skit was performed. The 2014 State Convention will be April 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at the Double Tree Warren Place in Tulsa. Please be there, we will have a ball.

**Easter Seals Chairman, Judy Craven** reported that at each meeting she will try to have something handmade to sell for the benefit of Easter Seals. She also encouraged the members to do a fundraiser with their chapters for Easter Seals.

Linda Leveridge announced that Easter Seals will have their big Tri-Athlon Bike-a-thon on September 21, "2013 in Oklahoma City. It will start at 7:30 am and end at 2 pm. If there are any chapters that can volunteer, you can contact Lilah or Paula from Easter Seals in OKC for further details.

**Chaplain, Nellrita Barrick** sent "Thinking of You" cards to B.J. Clark, Hdqs. Loveland, CO and Jane Thomas, Delt Lambda, Muskogee; "Get Well" cards to Jo Ann Rott Gamma Zeta, Edmond; Joyce Lacey Kenney, Beta Psi, Clinton; Joy Agan, Beta Psi, Clinton and "Sympathy" cards to Judy

Garland, Beta Mu, Lawton; Mary Rohr, Delta Kappa, Norman; Judy White, Epsilon Kappa, Hominy and Aletha Bolt, Beta Zeta, OKC.

**Membership Chairman, Rita Hains** reported this year's IC's recruitment theme is "Friends are Life's Desserts. . .ESA Makes Life Sweeter". She and her team passed on ideas for membership: To go along with President Tina's theme - have a Kick up your Heels recruitment event. Remember new members bring new ideas, new resources and new life to your chapter and to your state.

President Tina challenged each chapter to bring in one new member by the state meeting in November. For the August State Council Leadership, President Tina wants to have an event. So there will be a membership event "Sock it to Me". She asked everyone to invite a guest to leadership and bring a pair of socks. The socks will be donated to the kids at OSB and OSD. The chapter that brings the most guests to the August Leadership will get a prize.

**Outstanding Chapter Chairman's correct email is [childers9@cox.net](mailto:childers9@cox.net).**

**District III Coordinator, Mary Johnson** invited everyone to the District III Leadership which will be Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> in Cleveland. Registration starts 9:00 am. Further information will come. Her theme this year is "Serving the World through ESA". She will have three district projects starting with "Showers of Blessings" in August.

**District V Coordinator, Brenda Beed** invited everyone to the District V Leadership meeting which will be Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at the Pittsburg County Extension Office in McAlester, OK. Registration starts at 9:00 am. Meeting will begin at 9:30 am.

**District IV Coordinator, Robbin Brown** invited everyone to the District IV Leadership meeting. It will be Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at the 1<sup>st</sup> Christian Church in Shawnee, OK. Registration starts at 9:30 am. Meeting will begin at 10:00 am.

**In the absence of District II Coordinator, Jo Ann Rott, Billye Peterson reported that the District II Leadership meeting will be in Edmond on September 7<sup>th</sup> at Jo Ann's church. Further information will come.**

**Unfinished Business - none**

**New Business – none**

**Announcements:**

- Billye Peterson gave away door prizes to Robbin Brown, Byrdie Emanuel, Gwynn Nell Swanson and Billie Fritch.

- Peggie Sprinkle invited everyone to the Tulsa Area Council's Bunco Bash on July 26<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$15.00 or \$10.00 if you bring an item from the wish list for DVIS.
- Peggie Sprinkle gave away raffle prizes to Billye Peterson, Linda Voss. She announced that she will have a raffle at each meeting for Hope for Heroes.
- President Tina announced that we will have Shopping at the Mall at the August State Council Leadership.

**Reminders:**

- Tina asked Vivian Gibson if she got everything she needed for credentials. Vivian replied that she thought so. If anyone has a question, problem or needs information about the Foundation, please contact her as soon as possible.
- Deb Hughes is selling Directory for \$8.00 each
- President/Convention Charms are available for \$8.00 each
- Subscriptions for mailed PJ's are available from Lori Few for \$15.00

President Tina will be giving out a "Crystal Slipper" Award at each meeting for someone who has been nominated by their chapter or by another ESA member for an outstanding deed, for someone who has gone above and beyond. So please send her nominations.

If you are going to IC Convention, President Tina will email you to make plans and coordinate some events at IC Convention.

Tina presented plants to the Sooner Senioresses.

Bunnie Sullins reported some sad news about two of our ESA Sisters. Joyce Whitewing-Slate has lung cancer and Donna LaMascus has lung cancer as well. Send them your love, cards and your prayers.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m. and members recited the closing ritual.

Submitted by:  
Nancy Baucom  
State Recording Secretary  
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