

**73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Oklahoma State Convention**  
**"America the Beautiful"**  
**Sunday May 1, 2016**  
**Second General Assembly Minutes**

The Celebration of Life "Remember Our Heroes" was conducted by Peggy Hughes, Chaplain.

The Convention second general assembly was called to seating by Billye Peterson, President. Peggy Hughes, Chaplain offered the Brunch Invocation.

Dr. Peterson declared the Second General Assembly of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Oklahoma State Convention in session. The meeting was reconvened at 10:08 a.m.

Billye acknowledged and thanked the 2015-2016 Board members for their hard work.

Margaret Kramer, Recording Secretary, moved to dispense with the reading of the 1<sup>st</sup> General Assembly minutes of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual OK State Convention, the motion was seconded, there were no objections, the motion carried. The minutes will be distributed and posted on the Oklahoma ESA website.

Tammy Bowman, Auditor, reported that the State Project, Directory, PJ, and Easter Seals books were audited and were found to be correct and in good order. The State Convention Treasurer's books were not completed and the final audit will be performed at the close of the 2016 State Convention. The State Treasurer's audit through March 31, 2016 was found to be acceptable; a final audit will be completed on receipt of the April 2016 bank statement. The pending final audits will be reported at a future State meeting.

Margaret Kramer announced the 2016-2017 State Educational Theme - "Indulge in Happiness".

2018 OK State Convention - Peggy Sprinkle, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Date: April 27, 28, 29, 2018

Theme: Diamonds in the Garden of ESA

Hotel: Crown Plaza, Tulsa, Room Rate \$99.00 per night

Ramona Paine announced the 2016-2017 Sooner Seniorette officers:

President - Tina Davenport McKamie  
Secretary/Treasurer - Linda Southerland  
Historian - Dr. Billye Peterson

Rosalie Griffith, ESA Membership Corporation President, welcomed Chip Shaffer to Oklahoma by presenting him with a headband and feather. Sherry Day was given 3 feathers to add to her headband she had previously received since she has visited Oklahoma 3 times.

Sherry Day, IC Rep., gave a farewell message and thanked the members for a fun and memorable weekend. Ms. Day invited all to attend the IC Convention in Loveland, Co., July 10 thru 17, 2016.

Chip Shaffer, MARC Rep., invited all to attend the MARC Conference, October 7-9, 2016 in Minnesota. He gave highlights of the events and fundraisers that were being planned for the weekend. Mr. Shaffer informed the attendees that MARC awards a monetary scholarship to the child of a Purple Heart Recipient.

Dr. Billye Peterson was presented with a life membership to the ESA Foundation from her board by Nancy Baucom. Pattie Heer presented Dr. Peterson with a book containing copies of the published Petticoat Journals. Susan Patterson then presented a Publicity scrapbook to Billye.

President Peterson presented her Gamma Zeta chapter members with the President's Trophy and expressed her sincere thanks for all their help and support during her Star Spangled year.

Dr. Peterson gave her farewell address.

Maxine Wheelan lowered Dr. Peterson's gavel.  
Vivan Gibson and Lora Thompson raised Nancy Baucom's Gavel.

Dr. Peterson presented Nancy Baucom the President's Gavel.

Nancy Baucom, 2016-2017 OK State Council President, addressed the assembly.  
President Baucom introduced the 2016-2017 Executive and General Board members.

Drawing for free convention registration, 50/50 and Quilt were drawn.

Announcements were made

Lola Jaegers retired the flags.

The Chair, Nancy Baucom, declared the adjournment of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Oklahoma State Convention at 11:38 a.m.

The membership joined in the Closing Ritual.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Margaret Kramer  
Recording Secretary 2015-2016