

**EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA INTERNATIONAL
OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE/GENERAL BOARD MEETING
JUNE 11, 2016
MINUTES**

The Executive and General Board of Oklahoma State Council of ESA meeting was called to order by President Nancy Baucom at 10:08 am., Saturday, June 11, 2016 at Goodrich United Methodist Church, Norman, OK.

Nancy asked us to silence our cell phones. She reminded us that this is a board meeting and to be respectful and not talk while others are making a presentation.

Nancy also welcomed anyone who is not a board member, but reminded everyone that only board members may vote at the Board meeting. A quorum was present.

President Nancy asked if everyone had confirmed lunch reservations and if not, to meet with Jenny Lizama.

Because of the full agenda, Nancy stated she would make introductions at the General meeting. Those giving reports will be introduced at that time.

Nancy asked that anyone giving a report or making a motion, please speak loud enough to be heard as we do not have a mike in this room and make sure to give a copy of the information to Recording Secretary, Synovia Lemmings.

The committee to read the minutes of the 73rd Oklahoma State Convention was Maxine Wheelan, chair, Jakki Gatzke, and Joyce James. The minutes were correct and will be placed on file as printed. Nancy thanked the committee members

The committee to read today's minutes is Aletha Bolt. Chair, Vivian Gibson and Linda Jones.

Treasurer - Jenny Lizama presented the proposed budget of 2016-2017. Upon recommendation of the budget committee, Jenny moved the proposed budget be presented for approval by the membership at the State Council meeting later this morning. Coming from a committee, no second was required. Motion carried.

Parliamentarian - Carrie Willingham presented two proposed additions to the standing rules.

Add new Standing Rule #10 which reads:

All monies raised during the State Convention Auction to benefit St. Jude, Easter Seals and the ESA Foundation will be divided equally between the three projects. After all funds are collected the Foundation Counselor will send the entire monetary amount and the paperwork to ESA Foundations Headquarters. Eligible donations will be sent through the Turn-Around-Fund.

The ESA Foundation Registered Agent will send the appropriate distribution of the donation allotment, for St Jude, to the ESA for St Jude Office at ESA Headquarters.

A check will be sent to the State Easter Seals Chairman from the Foundation Turn-Around-Fund and the State Easter Seal Chairman will send that check to Easter Seals of Oklahoma.

The Foundation's portion of the funds will be placed in the Foundation area designated by the Oklahoma ESA Foundation Counselor. This will be a direct donation of the designated funds because donations by ESA entities to the ESA Foundation cannot be sent through the Turn-Around-Fund.

How a designated area for the Foundation donation is chosen:

First the counselor will make sure the Endowments under the supervision of the Oklahoma State Council have enough funds to give scholarships. If not the monies will be divided between those Endowments. If the endowments are viable then the funds may be contributed to other fund raising areas of the Foundation such as the Fantasy Event, the General Fund, the Art Spark Grant, that honors BJ Clark, or sponsored events held during the Foundation Fund Fest at IC Convention.

Carrie moved that this addition be presented for approval by the membership at the State Council meeting later today. Lora Thompson, Zeta Gamma, Shawnee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Add new Standing Rule #1 subsection C) which reads:

An officer or board member may be automatically removed from office and vacancy filled by the Executive Board for dereliction of duties after being duly warned.

- If a member is guilty of such an offense, and knows that other members are in possession of the facts, he/she may wish to submit his/her resignation from office. When the good of the organization appears to demand the separation of an offending member, it is usually best for all concerned to offer the member the opportunity to resign quietly before the facts are publicly displayed. A member has the right that allegations against her/his good name shall not be made except by charged brought on reasonable grounds and has the right to due process.

Carrie moved that this addition be presented for approval by the membership at the State Council meeting later today. Jo Rott, Gamma Zeta Edmond, seconded the motion. Motion failed.

Add reworded new Standing Rule #1 subsection C) which reads:

An officer or board member may be automatically removed from office and vacancy filled by the Executive Board for failure to perform duties after being duly warned.

- If a member is guilty of such an offense, and knows that other members are in possession of the facts, he/she may wish to submit his/her resignation from office. When the good of the organization appears to demand the separation of an offending member, it is usually best for all concerned to offer the member the opportunity to resign quietly before the facts are publicly displayed. A member has the right that allegations against her/his good name shall not be made except by charged brought on reasonable grounds and has the right to due process.

Carrie moved that this reworded addition be presented for approval by the membership at the State Council meeting later today. Peggy Hughes, Beta Gamma, Tulsa, seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Project Director - Linda Leveridge reported the State Project Fund balance was \$5,325.00. Linda explained that OSB has proposed to purchase 7 more disc golf targets and 2 packs of four each beeper discs for a total of \$1320.00 The rest of the money would be spent to purchase Braille books and large print books. OSD has proposed to use the money to purchase handicapped playground equipment and improve the playground.

Linda moved that the board recommend \$2,964.16 be given to OSD to use at their discretion. Billye Peterson, Gamma Zeta Edmond, seconded. Motion carried.

Linda moved that the board recommend \$2,360.84 be given to OSB to use at their discretion. Peggie Sprinkle, Beta Gamma Tulsa, seconded. Motion carried.

Nancy Baucom stated that these recommendations would be presented for approval by the membership at the State Council meeting later today.

Linda announced the tour dates: December 10, 2016 for OSD and February 18, 2017 for OSB.

2017 Convention Chair - Ramona Paine. Upon recommendation of the Convention Committee, Ramona moved that the Convention Registration fee of \$110 for members and the Banquet Registration of \$50 and Brunch of \$20 remain the same. Coming from a committee, no second was required. Motion carried.

Nancy Baucom stated that these recommendations would be presented for approval by the membership at the State Council meeting later today.

Contest Chair - Rita Hains reported on several housekeeping changes to the state contests:

- Blue Book - State Contests Policies and Procedures, 3B (page 6) changed to turn in contest judging sheets, composite sheets, etc. to Contest Chairman instead of Corresponding Secretary.
- Association of the Arts – entry form and judging sheet revised to add new Division X “State President’s Theme.”
- Gold Seal judging sheet will be revised to match the IC Gold Seal judging sheet.

Upon recommendation of the contest chairmen, Rita moved that the ESA Foundation Contest (Guidelines) be changed to add “Value of Monetary Donations and donations not sent directly to Foundation”. Coming from a committee, no second was required. Motion carried.

Upon recommendation of the contest chairmen, Rita moved that the ESA for St. Jude judging sheets be revised to designate either ALSAC or non ALSAC monies. Coming from a committee, no second was required. Motion carried.

Nancy Baucom stated that these recommendations would be presented for approval by the membership at the State Council meeting later today.

NEW BUSINESS

STATE COUNCIL FUNDRAISER: Treasurer Jenny Lizama provided details on a State Council Fundraiser proposed by the Budget Committee. Tickets in the amount of \$10 each would be sold for a 1 week vacation in Branson (donated) and a \$500 gift card. Each chapter would be asked to sell at least 10 tickets. The chapter that sells the most tickets would win \$100. The number of tickets would be limited. A chairman is needed for the fundraiser.

Upon recommendation of the Budget Committee, Jenny moved that this State Council Fundraiser be presented to the membership for approval at the State Council meeting this afternoon. Coming from a committee, no second was required. Motion carried.

Speaker’s Fund: At Nancy’s request, Jenny moved that a proposal for the use of money not to exceed \$150 from the speaker’s fund for the September State Council Leadership speaker be presented to the membership for approval at the State Council meeting this afternoon. Margaret Kramer, Beta Iota McAlester, seconded. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There are items on sale today:
- Directory orders - please see Gwynn Nell Swanson.
- President Convention charms are on sale at \$5 each - please see Doris Kemp.

- Petticoat Journal Subscription orders - please see Lori Few.
- Convention Fundraisers: 50/50 and Candy Basket Raffle.
- State Council Fundraisers: Raffle for a Made in Oklahoma Basket.
- Liz King - Re: Pampered Chef.
- See Vivian Gibson to sign you ESA Foundation credentials.

With no further business, the ESA State Council Executive and General Board Meeting was adjourned at 11a.m. by President Nancy Baucom.

Respectfully submitted,

Aletha Bolt, Chair
Committee to Read the Minutes