

EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA
OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 17, 2017
MINUTES

The Oklahoma State Council meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. at the Holiday Inn in Tulsa, Oklahoma by President Peggie Sprinkle. Peggie welcomed everyone, and reminded us to silence our cell phones.

Peggie led the group in the opening ritual.

Chaplain, Robbin Brown led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. In honor of Flag Day, which was June 14th, a short slide show was presented with the help of Judi York working the audio-visual.

Corresponding Secretary Leslie Farabee received 17 regrets.

Attendance of 49 members and 1 guest was taken from registration. Hope McKinley daughter of Jeanne Lifton was recognized. One first time attendee Carolyn Womack and quest speaker, Steve York were also recognized.

Peggie introduced the Executive/General Board, and she asked the great, wonderful, amazing and sparkling Sooner Seniorettes to stand.

A list of Contest Advisors and Mentors will be sent out next week. Peggie encouraged all to contact each other.

A committee comprised of June Miller, Chair, Leslie Farabee and Peggy Campbell read the minutes of the 74th Oklahoma State Convention. With minor corrections, they were approved.

The committee to read the minutes of the June State Council meeting is Deb Hughes, Chair, Charlene Law and Billye Peterson.

Peggie reminded everyone giving a report to give a copy of it to Recording Secretary Elise Jimson.

Treasurer - Mona Quaid presented the proposed budget for 2017-2018. Mona made a motion "on recommendation of the Executive/General Board to accept the proposed budget". Motion carried.

Second Vice President - Linda Leveridge announced the State Educational Theme is “WANTED DEAD OR ALIVE AMERICA’S NOTORIOUS BAD BOYS AND GIRLS”. She gave a presentation on Alphonse Gabriel Capone, aka Al Capone, aka Scarface.

State Project Director – Peggy Hughes reported on the distribution of \$4,038.01 to the schools from last year’s State Project funds. Peggy made a motion “on recommendation of the Executive/General Board to give OSB \$1,822.28 and OSD \$2,215.73, and allow them to proceed with their intentions of new playground equipment for OSB and remodeling their library for OSD”. Motion carried.

Peggy Hughes brought to board’s attention that at Oklahoma State Convention we failed to vote on our State Projects for the next 3 years. Peggy made a motion “on recommendation of the Executive/General Board to continue to support Oklahoma School for the Deaf in Sulphur, Ok and Oklahoma School for the Blind in Muskogee, Ok for the next 3 years”. Motion carried.

Margaret Kramer, First Vice President/Chair of the Nominating Committee did not have a report.

Sparkle Girl, Nancy Buck (meeting motivator) could not attend today, so Linda Leveridge stood in for her.

Guest Speaker, Steve York, member of Beta Gamma Chapter gave a speech on “ESA members make a difference”.

Judy York, 2018 Convention Chair announced the Chapters of Tulsa Area Council – Beta Gamma, Eta Mu, Gamma Delta, Kappa Alpha and Omega Pi – along with Alpha Rho, Broken Arrow and Sigma Chi, Inola, invited everyone to the 75h Annual Oklahoma State Council Convention “Diamonds In The Garden of ESA”. Convention will be held April 27, 28 & 29, 2018 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Tulsa, OK. Rooms are \$99.00 + tax. There are breakfast coupons for 2 per room and free parking. She arranged for late checkout to be 1:00 p.m. on Sunday for all attendees. Use code “ESA State Convention” when making reservations. If you register by January 1, 2018 your name will be in a drawing for a free registration. Registration Chair Rosalie Griffith has forms today.

After discussion, Judy made a motion on recommendation of the Executive/General Board “to raise the convention registration fee to \$120.00”. Reason for the increase is due to rising cost of hotel facilities and food, and the decreased number of members attending convention. Motion carried.

Aletha Bolt made a motion upon recommendation of the Executive Board to “**Add as Standing Rule #11:** Two signatures are required on all checks written on State Council bank accounts maintained by State Treasurer, State Project and State Petticoat Journal”. **Reason:** To insure adequate oversight of State Council monies and to meet the requirements of our Fidelity Bond. Motion carried.

Social Media/Webmaster - Aletha Bolt with the help of Judi York working the audio-visual taught the members how to use the Oklahoma ESA web page "oklaesa.org". Handouts were given to everyone with important information regarding the web page.

A craft program was presented by Billye Peterson. She taught everyone how to make bracelets with star beads.

MARC Rep – Deb Hughes reported MARC conference will be October 13-14, 2017 in Dearborn/Detroit, Michigan. Theme is "Motown in Motion". Flyer and Registration forms were handed out. Deb made a motion "to purchase a half page ad for the brochure in the amount of \$50.00". Motion carried.

Deb Hughes reported on the St. Jude Walk/Run to End Childhood Cancer taking place in Tulsa, OK on September 16, 2017 at OneOK Field and in Oklahoma City, OK on September 23, 2017 at Stars & Stripes Park. Team ESA Silver sponsor nationwide goal is \$85,000.

President Peggie Sprinkle recognized and presented two chapters, Alpha Rho, Broken Arrow & Gamma Zeta, Edmond with "Making a Difference" awards.

IC Convention/ESA Foundation – Rosalie Griffith reported on the IC Convention in St. Louis, MO in July. Help from attending members are needed to set up decorations at banquet.

Announcements: See Barbara Eck for Directories orders.

 See Linda Jones for Petticoat Journal subscriptions orders.

 Take advantage of the Convention fundraiser: 50/50 raffle.

 18 chapters were represented at this meeting.

 District Coordinators announced their leadership Meeting dates:

 District III – August 19, 2017

 District IV – August 26, 2017

 State Leadership – September 9 2017

 District II – September 16, 2017

 District V – September 30, 2017

Peggie Sprinkle thanked everyone for coming today and gave everyone a short phrase to think about. "To be a star you must shine your own light, follow your own path, and don't worry about the darkness, for that is when the stars shine the brightest." Remember to "Sparkle & Shine".

Peggie led the Closing Ritual and meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Submitted by,

Elise Jimson, Recording Secretary