

BUSINESS CONDUCTED VIA E-MAIL - August 5, 2010

President, Jacque Edwards proposed a \$75.00 donation from the monies earned in interest from the CD be contributed to Marilyn Harmon's charity, Sole Mates. Her cause is to help purchase school shoes for under-privileged children. Marilyn Harmon is the Guest Speaker for the Leadership Seminar to be held on August 21, 2010.

A motion was made by Gwynn Nell Swanson, seconded by Dr. Billye Peterson to contribute \$75 to Sole Mates to purchase school shoes for under-privileged children. President, Jacque Edwards called for a vote on the motion.

MOTION CARRIED.

**Linda Southerland
State Recording Secretary
2010-2011**

**Epsilon Sigma Alpha International
August Leadership Seminar
Executive/General Board Meeting
August 21, 2010**

The Executive and General Board Meeting was called to order at 9:41 am by President Jacque Edwards, who requested that all cell phones be turned off or set to vibrate.

State President Jacque Edwards asked those present to stand and join her in the Opening Ritual. Chaplain Vivian Gibson led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jacque introduced Guthrie Mayor Chuck Burtcher who welcomed ESA to Guthrie. On November 16, 1907, Oklahoma was declared a state by then President Theodore Roosevelt with Guthrie as the First State Capital. It was to remain the capital until June 11, 1910 when Governor Haskell called for an early statewide election, and by a majority vote, Oklahoma City was selected as the capital. Mr. Burtcher gave a very informative welcome.

Chaplain Vivian Gibson gave the devotional for the day "Nails in the Fence".

President Jacque announced that today's agenda, forms, information concerning the Hope for Hero's program that will continue in November, information on the ESA IDOL talent and the 2011 IC Convention will be in the Leadership folders provided to registrants.

First time Leadership Seminar attendees were requested to stand and introduce themselves. Six first time attendees were acknowledged by President Jacque Edwards. One DESA was also in attendance. Jacque then announced that attendance will be taken from the registration sign in and be attached to the minutes.

The committee to read the minutes of today's meeting is Lora Thompson, Chairman, Connie Johnson and Peggie Sprinkle.

The committee to read the June 19, 2010 Executive and General Board meeting and the State Council meeting was Chairman June Miller, Amber Alexander and Margaret Kramer. June Miller reported that the minutes were correct as printed.

First Vice-President Gwynn Nell Swanson reported on the nominating committee and asked that anyone interested in running for a State Office or to be on the General Board contact members of the nomination committee and that there is a nomination form on page 37 in the July/August Petticoat Journal and on the Oklahoma ESA website. She also pleaded with members to attend their District meetings. Date of meetings are also in the PJ and on the website.,

Second Vice-President Joyce Gibson gave a mini-educational covering "Advanced Directives".

Robbin Brown, Outstanding Chapter contest chair, passed out a new judging sheet for the contest.

State Project Director, Charlene Law gave a report on the OSD Tour. She stated that the tour would be on October 2, 2010, but it is not the homecoming football game.

Corresponding Secretary, Shelly Labus was absent but a list of regrets were placed on tables for informative purposes (list attached).

Treasurer, Tina Davenport-McKamie, gave the treasurer report as of August 21, 2010. This report will be placed on file with the minutes of the meeting.

Petticoat Journal editor, Mary Adams, reminded everyone that the articles for the next publication should be submitted by September 5. She also stated that the articles should not be longer than ½ page and that due to rising cost of making copies and postage, the board might have to look into raising the cost of a hard copy PJ for next year.

President Jacque reported that incorrect information concerning the IC Outstanding Youth contests was given during the June Council meeting. Oklahoma now has two options if we want to comply with IC. 1) vote to rescind all the changes we proposed in June concerning the State Jr. and Sr. High Outstanding Youth contests or 2) vote to leave it as we voted in June and risk having to possibly make two separate entries if we want our entries to adhere to IC Guidelines and be considered for IC judging. Contest Chairman, Billye Peterson, stated, "I move we rescind all the changes to the State Jr. and Sr. High Outstanding Youth contests and follow the IC Youth contest guidelines. Motion was seconded by Linda Southerland, Beta Psi Clinton, and a vote was called. MOTION CARRIED.

Reports were given on the health issues of Nellrita Barrick, Beta Psi Clinton, and Patsy Timmons, Nu Delta Muskogee.

Executive and General Board Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.

Submitted by:
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**Epsilon Sigma Alpha International
Oklahoma State Council
Leadership Seminar
August 21, 2010**

The Oklahoma State Council Leadership Seminar was called to order at 10:30 am by President Jacque Edwards, who requested that all cell phones be turned off or set to vibrate.

A report was given by Membership Chair, Mary Johnson. She reported that because increase in membership is so important, that she is selling TShirts that say "We Are" on the back and "ESA Proud" in the outline of the state of Oklahoma. Colors are Yellow shirts with Blue wording and Blue shirts with Yellow wording.

Nancy Buck, Music Entertainer Chair, gave a trivia quiz on music hits in the 1950's. It was a fun trivia game enjoyed by all.

President Jacque read a statement thanking the Oklahoma State Council for giving her the honor of representing Oklahoma at the IC Convention in Bloomington, MN in July where she attended the memorial service conducted by IC Chaplain, Judi York; she participated in an impressive Flag Ceremony carrying the Oklahoma Flag and conducted a portion of the Central States workshop. She also reported that Judi York was elected to the office of IC Parliamentarian.

A special IC Award (Dixie Palmer Award) was presented to Vivian Gibson by Cathy Holsted.

Jr. Past President, Deb Hughes presented Oklahoma IC Awards from her year as State President (list of awards attached to minutes).

Spirit Awards were presented to Judy Cravens; Sherry Green; Judi York and Vivian Gibson by President Jacque.

Vivian Gibson, State Chaplain gave an update on members in need of prayers.

The 2011 Convention report was given by Ramona Paine-Means, 2011 Convention Chairman.

Introductions were made by President Jacque.

The Sooner Seniorettes proudly nominate Judi York for the IC office of her Choice for 2011-2012. Bunnie Sullins moved she be elected. Coming from a committee, no second was needed. MOTION CARRIED.

Guest Speaker Tamra Gilkey gave an outstanding program covering the Ronald McDonald House in OKC. Following the program, President Jacque presented a box of pop top rings brought by Oklahoma ESA Members to Mrs. Gilkey and a small gift of appreciation.

Chaplain, Vivian Gibson gave the blessing and lunch was served. Following lunch, workshops on making tissue paper roses on a hot pink straws donated by Braums and a new team building exercise called Jenga was conducted by Rosalie Griffith.

A short skit involving contests was presented by chairman of contest categories and Dr. Billye Peterson, Contest Chair.

Contest Chairman, Dr. Billye Peterson made the following statement: "Upon recommendation of the Executive and General Board, I move that we rescind all the changes to the State Jr. and Sr. High Outstanding Youth contest and follow the IC Youth contest guidelines. Coming from a committee, no second is required. Vote was called, MOTION CARRIED.

Guest speaker, Marilyn Harmon of Blackwell, with Sole Mates gave a program on how the charity got started. President Jacque presented numerous pairs of shoes donated by ESA members and a cash donation from the Oklahoma State Council. A small gift of appreciation was also given.

Aletha Bolt, Webmaster spoke concerning the Website and stated that she would help anyone who was having trouble.

Circle of Life Chairman, Amber Alexander, reported that she has planned a St. Jude tour for October 21-23, 2010. She also reminded everyone about the Give Thanks Walk to be held in Tulsa and OKC on November 20, 2010.

She also gave information concerning the Memphis marathon and the January ESA Bunco Events. Contact Amber for further information.

Leadership Seminars for District II, III, IV, and V were announced.

Deb Hughes reported that over 10,000 lbs of food was given during the virtual food drive.

President Jacque Edwards announced that the November Council meeting will be on November 13, 2010 at Guthrie.

Door Prizes were provided by District II Chapters and passed out.

Raffle drawings were conducted and the meeting adjourned with members reciting the Closing Ritual at 2:32 pm.

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