

ESA Oklahoma State Council Executive/General Board Meeting

March 11, 2023

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church – Edmond

The OK State Council Executive Board Meeting was called to order by President, Linda Jones, at approximately 10:20 a.m.

The committee to read the minutes for the September State Council Leadership Meeting was Chair, Gwynn Nell Swanson, Dawn Haley and Barbara Childers. Gwynn Nell reported the minutes were correct as printed. Report will be placed on file.

The committee to read the minutes for today's meeting was Chair, Brenda Yates, Lana Rubio and Mona Johnston.

President, Linda reminded members that attendance would be taken from the sign in sheets. She asked that everyone be sure to sign in.

Treasurer, Jennifer Sparkman reported that the budget listed \$130.00 for the state President's Convention registration. The price had increased to \$135.00. This had not been reflected in the current budget. The Executive Board had previously voted to approve the \$5.00 increase. It would need to be brought before the council for a vote. Billye Putnam then made a motion to approve the \$5.00 increase. Jacque Cantrel seconded the motion. A vote was taken. Motion passed.

Mona Johnston reported that the Treasurer's security bond had been cancelled. She stated that she had contacted a new insurance agent to write a new policy for the bond. The premium would be \$110.00 for a term, from March to March. After a lengthy discussion, Margaret Kramer made the motion to pay the premium. Judi York seconded the motion. A vote was taken. Motion passed.

Treasurer, Jennifer reported Balance as of March 11, 2023 was \$5,343.16; year to date income was \$6,924.50; expenses were \$4,776.44. The Speakers Fund balance was \$693.52; IC Campaign Fund balance \$225.11; 2012 IC Convention \$5,420.23. The Certificate of Deposit remains at \$4,000.00 and will renew 2/5/24.

Educational Chair, Jacque Cantrel shared about the Sycamore Inn in Cucamonga, CA. She also shared about Mel's Diner in Santa Monica, California. She reminded members that each chapter that turns in six educational reports will receive a Gold Link award. She suggested members consult the website for requirements for the Gold Seal award.

Directory Chair, Gina Wozencraft reported that she had printed 80 directories and to date had sold 71 at \$8.00 each. The account balance on hand was \$1,208. Margaret Kramer made a motion to raise the preprinted price of directories to \$20.00 plus postage of \$5.00 for a total price for directories of \$25.00 to have the directories mailed. Brenda Yates seconded. A vote was taken. Motion failed.

A new motion was made by Aletha Bolt that the price of directories be raised to \$15.00 plus postage of \$5.00 for a total price of \$20.00 to have the directories mailed. Linda Leveridge seconded. A vote was taken. Motion passed.

President, Linda stood in for Petticoat Journal Editor, Charlene Law. Linda reported that Charlene mailed out only two PJ's. The postage was \$60. There was a significant surplus in the PJ Editor fund from year to year. It was currently \$829.17. Linda suggested the council may want to consider repurposing the funds.

State Project Director, Liz King reminded members that at a previous meeting discussion was had to possibly start a Pen Pal program with the students of the School for the Deaf and the School for the Blind. She asked if members were still wanting to do that. A lengthy discussion was held. Margaret Kramer suggested the discussion be tabled until the June State Council meeting. All agreed.

Liz reported that that her budget had a beginning balance of \$49.35. After income and disbursements, Balance on hand was \$1,851.05.

ESA Foundation Counselor, Vivian Gibson reported that that the Foundation had changed their fiscal year to January 1st to December 31 for Foundation awards. She suggested that the OK State Council change their awards date to match the Foundation. Discussion was held. Judi York made a motion to keep the

Foundation contests dates the way they are. Aletha Bold seconded. A vote was taken. Motion passed.

With no further business to come before the Executive/General Board, meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Submitted by:

Darla Barton, Recording Secretary