**Epsilon Sigma Alpha**

**Colorado State Council**

**Fall Board Meeting**

**Mountain View Presbyterian Church - Loveland Colorado**

**September 17, 2016**

**President Kathy Ellingson** called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Opening Ritual.

Kathy introduced the 2016-2017 Board and Patty Lavendar and Lauren Anderson who were attending for the first time.

**Chaplain, Anita Miller:**

* Thought for the day.

**Parliamentarian, Chris Dostal:**

* Gave the rules to keep the meeting moving.
* New Standing Rule submitted at the September 12, CSC Fall Meeting. A motion was made by Gertie Chapin, Beta Epsilon #357, Fort Morgan, seconded by Sandy Alexander, Alpha Phi #327, Golden, to add a standing rule to read as follows: “The Corresponding Secretary shall be responsible for the purchase of a Colorado State Flag which has been flown at the Colorado State Capital for the presiding CSC President.”

Following discussion Gertie Chapin made a motion, seconded by Vickie Martinez, Zeta Rho #1774, Aurora, to amend the proposed Standing Rule to add the expense of the flag shall be paid by the CSC Treasurer. Motion carried.

The President called for the vote on the proposed Standing Rule as amended. Motion carried.

The Standing Rule shall read: “The Corresponding Secretary shall be responsible for the purchase of a Colorado State Flag which has been flown at the Colorado State Capital for the presiding CSC President, the expense shall be paid by the CSC Treasurer.”

**Educational, Kerry Date:**

* President Kathy Ellingson presented an educational on our Opening and Closing Rituals. Keeping true to the “Be Inspired” theme of this year, we looked at what these mean to us individually.

**Corresponding Secretary, Phyllis Minch:**

* Regrets were read from Billy Jean Farnham, Cathy Westlake and Pat Burnhardt. Judy Barker sent well wishes to all.

**Recording Secretary, Kelli DeCoronado:**

* Kelli made a motion to accept the minutes as approved by the Minutes Review Committee. This needs no second coming from committee. Motion passed.

**Treasurer, Loydette Knight:**

* Loydette reported that the balance in the check book as of August 31 is $7711.00.
* The proposed budget was presented and reviewed. There was a question regarding the line items for Secretary of State of Colorado and the General Fund.
* Every non-profit organization has to register with the Secretary of State. The beginning fee is $25.00 and $10.00 each year thereafter. This is a new law stemming from 9/11 and usually comes into play when you open a new account. All chapters need to register and they can’t use the state Tax ID number, they must have their own Tax ID number.
* If you are incorporated in the state of Colorado you must register with the Secretary of State. ESA is a corporation so must register and pay the fee.
* The Tax Fax form you complete each year should be where your Federal Tax ID# is located. If it is the Colorado State Council Tax ID# the chapter must apply for their own.
* Vickie Martinez, Zeta Rho #1774, Aurora, proposed an amendment to the proposed budget to add a line item for the purchase of the State Flag. Motion tabled for discussion.
* Motion was made to accept the amended proposed budget by Patty Ehrlick, Sigma Rho #5014, Loveland, the motion was seconded by Kathy Garrison, Epsilon Epsilon #1896, Denver.
* Motion passed.

**Hope for Heroes Presentation:**

* Ken Curry is a Vietnam Vet who was shot down during the war and was able to bring his plane and all his crew safely back to base. They incurred over 40 shots to the plane and it was a miracle that it made it back at all. Ken gave his presentation at IC Convention in July and it was so inspiring Kathy and Phyllis decided to have him present it again.

**Philanthropic, Judy Kendzora:**

* Judy has made a copy of the philanthropic guidelines for each chapter. She encouraged members to keep good records and get their report in on time.

**Scrapbook, Pam McGee:**

* Pam requested that chapters send digital photos only.

**President Elect, Kathy Garrison:**

* Kathy reported that there are still openings for officers for the 2017-2018 year and the nomination form is on the website. If you need a form and don’t use a computer, please let her know and she will see that you receive one. She encouraged members to take a chance and run for an office or take an appointed office for experience. She said that we have many talented members and they can make a difference by serving.

**Rocky Mountain Roundup, Nancy Cameron:**

* Nancy gave a report on the IC Convention that was sponsored by Rocky Mountain Region. The convention came in well under budget and there were many compliments. She thanked all those who helped make the convention a great success and reported that the profit from the convention was $21,829.98 and that half of that $10,914.99 will go to the Rocky Mountain Region. There is no plans for the funds at this time. There were 379 registered for the convention, more than in the past couple of years.
* Next Rocky Mountain Roundup will be held in Utah.

**Easter Seals, Susie Morris:**

* Susie reported that she has cards for the benefit of Wings in Loveland Easter Seals. She also will be taking orders for Easter Seals Calendars.

**ESA for St. Jude, Chloe McClantoc, Rebekah Martinez, Vickie Martinez:**

* Chloe has formed a team to walk on the St. Jude Walk. The teams name is “Be Inspired”. You can support the team on the website.
* Vickie Martinez reported that the Denver Dream Home raised 1.3 million dollars. The next Denver Dream Home will begin in August. The Colorado Springs Dream Home raised $814, 00. Alice Robinson and Jenny Libowitz are the co-chairs for the Colorado Springs Dream Home and the next one will be in the spring of 2017.
* Colorado took 1st place in raising money for St. Jude this year with a total of $1,997,973.

**Disaster Fund, Vickie Martinez:**

* Vickie will have a report at Spring Board. There have been three claims this year. She explained for new members that this is a fund for ESA sisters for catastrophic events. The amounts available are $5,000.00 and they do not have to be repaid. This is why we raise funds each year for the Disaster Fund.

**Lamplighter Report, Candie Patino:**

* 15 lamplighters are in attendance, 13 attended the meeting. The Lamplighters will be helping with the IC Convention in St. Louis next year. She encouraged members to attend as Sandy Alexander will be installed as our new IC President. The renting of a van or bus was discussed for members who would like to attend.
* Candie is requesting photos and events for posting on the website.

**Convention Report, Joyce Fuller, Cindy Powers:**

* State Convention will be hosted by the Lamplighters at the Highland Camp & Retreat in Allenspark. Registrations are due by April 15th. This is early, but is needed to reserve the event center. There are 25 rooms with 104 beds and Cindy and Gertie are taking reservations for rooms now. Friday night will begin an hour earlier with a visit to the “Pink Light District.” There will be a fundraiser for Easter Seals and the theme for Friday night is “Pink White Christmas?” Registration is $140.00. Chapters are not able to sell items at the convention, only Easter Seals and St. Jude.

**Vice President, Leslie Stevens:**

* Leslie proposed a separate account for funds raised for assisting new members. This is in conjunction with a membership drive.
* Discussion followed and President Kathy Ellingson tabled the issue for a committee to discuss later and bring to the membership.

**Unfinished Business:**

* Georgia DeLong has changed her email to gmail not Hotmail. All the other information is correct.
* The 1st annual soup, salad and shopping in Canon City will be Saturday, October 22, 2016 at 11:45 a.m. with an auction at 1:00 p.m. Cost is $10.00.
* Epsilon Epsilon 7th annual Holiday Tea, Saturday, December 10, 2016 at the Manor House. Cost is $35.00
* Chi Kappa Chocolate Party, October 15, 2016 11a.m. -2 p.m. Cost is $10.00
* Zeta Rho Auction and Luncheon, November 5, 2016 $10.00
* Theta Eta Spaghetti dinner, Morrison, February 28, 2017.
* Northern Colorado Council Bunco Party, Saturday, October 1, 2016.
* Gamma Omega Treasurer is Annie Kuntz and the President is Kelly Chenoweth, 175 W. 7th Street, Akron, CO 80720. Home number is 970-345-2262. Cell is 970-554-0424. Email is Kelly.chenoweth@elive.com.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

**Chaplain, Anita Miller:**

* Closing thoughts.

**Closing Ritual**

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli DeCoronado

Colorado State Recording Secretary

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