

ALPHA KAPPA CHAPTER BOARD MEETING

Monday, September 16, 2019

2:00 p.m. Eastern

SKYPE or Face to Face

128 Erikson Hall – Lexington

The Alpha Kappa Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Phi board meeting was called to order by President Sally Mineer. Sally Mineer welcomed everyone and told the committee that we didn't have any new people or guest. Those present were Sally Mineer, Tyrone Gentry, Mindy McCulley, Curtis Dame, Paula Jerrell, Nellie Buchanan, Sheila Fawbush, Crystal Osborne, Elizabeth Coots, Erika Wood, Peggy Powell, Jennifer Bridge, Amanda Hardy, Linda Combs, Lyndall Harned, Natasha Lucas, Lynnette Allen, Ray Tackett, Sarah Brandel, Steven Musen and Vicki Wynn. Minutes were read by Amanda Hardy- no additions to minutes Nelly made motion Mindy seconded. Motion carried. Treasurer's Report Tyrone Gentry – online forms and doc. LEADS. 17 at \$400 total \$6800.00. No current information on JR Bryant endowment. Treasurer's report filed for audit.

Professional Development Sara Talbott was not present. She is currently working with Ken Jones on speaker for in-service. Scholarship, Grants & Recognition- Mindy McCulley reported that the board voted last meeting to eliminate the Report to the People award. 2020 Friend of Extension award should come from Quicksand, Licking Trail and Green River areas. Area contacts will talk at staff on Wednesday on this. Marketing- Curtis Dame reported he looked into blue tooth speakers \$9-\$30 and same for umbrellas. Sally will send out a survey to decide what people want. Resource Development- Donna Fryman reported that if you want to continue to have silent auction and each area provide an item and individuals, area contacts will need to secure an item. Every area should be represented. Funds are supposed to support a charitable cause by the board. Paula reminded the board that the money in the past went to help individuals to help come to the state meeting. Retirees Peggy Powell reported that she conducted a survey to see if retirees wanted another get together this year. She was reminded that round up was another event that they could attend. She didn't do the fall meeting because of their recommendation. She contacted Theresa Wood about the scholarship and asked for a copy of the scholarship. The information is up to date and we are ready to offer it this year. She needed a contact and it can be the president, treasurer, retiree chair or associate director of extension. Currently the contact is Martha Thompson. Mindy made a motion that the treasurer be named as the retiree scholarship contact. Jennifer Bridge seconded. Motion carried. Membership Recruitment Lynnette Allen thanked individuals for helping get list updated. She reported that the membership drive at national was announced and invoices will be sent to member Oct. 1, 2019. Local dues will not change from last year. Annual chapter dues \$30 new \$35 and lifetime \$20. She will be reaching out to those who haven't been members in a while to try to get them to join. Paula suggested reaching out to all area contacts. Public Issues- Paula Jerrell reported the date for PILD April 5-8 2020 in Arlington VA. The conference theme is "Moving Knowledge into Solutions". She encourages people to attend this conference. Chapter Relations Clint Hardy- not present, no report. Sally reported that the historical records have been updated. If you are an area contact the ESP website contains your district and we would like for you to work on updating the list. Send to Clint the updated list. Global Relations Steve Musen- reported on ECO conference coming up in November. Great conference to network and met others about the same issues that we have. He isn't going this year but mentioned last meeting that he could send out information. The information and registration link to the ECHO International Agriculture Conference, November 19-21, 2019 at Crowne Plaza Hotel, Fort Myers, FL - <https://www.echonet.org/events/echo-international-agriculture-conference>

Newsletter-Nellie Buchanan has taken over for Kelli Bonifer. Nellie would like for newsletter information to be to her by November 1, 2019 to publish November 15, 2019.

Reports from All Area Contacts

Administration- Natasha Lucas- reported Dr. Jones wanted me to announce that the first ESP Cohort is up and running. He is excited about this new leadership program and encourages everyone to apply in the future. He also wanted to remind us that ESP Leads will be helpful when applying for career level 4 or 5.

Mia Farrell wanted to let everyone know that the Intercultural Awareness Day will be held at the ES Goodbarn on October 22nd from 8:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The theme will be "Thriving in Your Multigenerational Community". Lunch Included. We are so very excited about Mrs. Ann Porter receiving the National Friend of Extension Award. Mrs. Porter will be attending the ESP National Conference in Colorado Springs, CO to receive her award. Mrs. Porter is currently the State Extension Council President, Licking River Area Homemaker President, Mason County Extension Homemaker President just to name a few. She also served on the recent Extension Director Search Committee and Community Assessment Steering Committee. We hope that everyone can attend District Staff Meeting on Wednesday, September 18th. We look forward to our first discussion of the upcoming transition that will be taking place and hope that everyone will remain positive as we go through this process.

Licking River Nellie Buchanan- reported that there have been no staff changes. Several will be attending the national meeting.

Blue Grass- Ray Tackett- reported additions Patten Slusher- Bourbon County ANR, Sarah Redmon Scott 4-H, Paighton Lewis-Estill 4-H, Beau Neal- Fayette, Ben Conner Scott ANR.

Fort Harrod -Elizabeth Coots will send in report

Green River -Lisa Adkins- reported Henderson has a 4-H position posted, ANR is still vacant. McLean, Ohio, Union and Daviess still have vacancies- only 1 of our 7 counties are fully staffed—several are attending the National Meeting.

Kentucky State University Dr. Allison Young reported that Lou Rivers retired this summer. She mentioned a few other changes in staff.

Lake Cumberland Tony Rose not present and no report.

Lincoln Trail Jennifer Bridge reported that Hardin Co has a new office. Washington Co has a new 4-H Agent, Melissa Scheeck. Babies and weddings, so families are growing. Extension families that are growing include Luke Fries is getting married in October and Dayna Fentress is having a baby in October.

Louisville Shelia Fawbush reported Chris Duncan, Oldham County FCS Agent retired this summer.

Corinne Belton, Shelby Co Ag Agent is in the new ESP Leads program.

Mammoth Cave Julie Brown not present and no report.

Northern Kentucky Judy Hetterman- gave a report.

Northeast Lyndall Harned- reported that Eugenia Wilson resigned as FCS agent in Boyd Co and Myron Evans retired July 31. Andrea Slone, Floyd FCS, had a beautiful baby girl in early September.

Stephanie Richards, Pike Fine Arts, has recently transferred to the Fine Arts position that will serve in between the College of Fine Arts and the Cooperative Extension Service. We are very excited about Stephanie serving in this role.

Pennyrile Erika Wood- didn't have anything to report.

Purchase Vicki Wynn reported that Denise Wooley has transferred from McCracken FCS to Graves FCS.

Quicksand Crystal Osborne reported Brian Good was hired as 4-H Agent in Bell County for Wilderness Trail.

Specialists Sarah Brandl reported that NEP has a new Area Agent for District 4 – Jennifer Robinson.

KASEP will hold their fall meeting on November 1 at the First Vineyard in Nicholasville Wilderness Trail

Matti Cornelius- not present and no report.

Unfinished Business

TR Bryant Account Tyrone Gentry & Paula Jerrell- Tyrone reported on what information he had. Sally will be sending the information she has to Tyrone.

ESP Leads Jennifer Bridge reported 13 applicants not including those on the committee which makes it 17. First training will be next week in Lexington at the Stock Yards. We received an ESP Rita T Wood \$1200 scholarship. to offset some of the money. We received the max funding. We need recommendations on individuals to come and meet at the LEADS program.

Other- Sally reported county judges breakfast this Friday and in the afternoon reception with Dr. Stephenson in Scott County.

New Business

National Endowment Donation from Chapter Sally Mineer- in the past we have donated to the endowment over the years we have donated around \$13000.00. we have been recognized as a platinum chapter. Jennifer Bridge made a motion that we donate \$200 to national endowment and second by Lyndall Harned Motion Carried.

Epsilon Sigma Phi Scholarship Mindy McCulley reported that the scholarship is due November 1 and you can find it on the website.

2019 National ESP Meeting Oct 14-17 Sally Mineer- Reported that 23 registered from Kentucky.

Banquet-No State's Night Out, there will be a Silent Auction but a meal at the awards banquet.

Sally will be collecting items for bag or international Basket donation.

**Reminders: 2020 National ESP Meeting, October 5-8, Rochester, New York
2021 National ESP Meeting, October 25-28, Savannah, Georgia**

Motion to Adjourn by Jennifer Bridge and seconded by Steve Musum

Minutes by: Amanda Hardy, Secretary