

**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of March 5, 2009  
By Conference Call 2:00pm CST**

The executive committee convened by conference call at 2:00pm CST. President Don Roush welcomed everyone. By way of roll call those present were President Don Roush, Vice Presidents Jack Seilheimer, Sister Rose Bast, Crosby Jones, Paul Yokley, Fred Brenner, Past Presidents Ted Michaud, Larry Koehler, Gary Wolgamott, District Directors Tony Schountz, BIOS Editor Lori Kelman, and National Sec/Treasurer Kathy Roush.

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The first item of business was the 2010 National Convention Report given by Tony Schountz.  
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Tony wanted his website for the National Convention 2010 put on the tri-beta.org website. The Doubletree Hotel is for the faculty and the students stay in the dormitories. A shuttle will be available from the airport to the campus. Don asked if the committee wanted to visit Durango, CO in June. The committee did not think it necessary to meet in Durango in June. A phone conference call would do.

- Tony listed possible field trips
- Mesa Verde National Park \$45
  - Narrow Gauge Railroad to Silverton \$75
  - Mountain Ecology Field Trip \$20
  - Whitewater Rafting \$40
  - Ouray Hot Springs
  - Bachelor Mine Tour

He wanted to keep the same registration fee. Friday morning could be the poster sessions, and Saturday morning the oral presentations.

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The second item of business was the minutes of October 10, 2008.  
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**Sister Rose Bast moved and Larry Koehler seconded that the minutes be accepted with corrections. Motion Passed.**

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The third item of business was the vice presidents reports.  
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Fred Brenner reported for the Northeast Region. Eugene Burns is the new district director for NE-4. All the district conventions were scheduled. NE-1 will be hosted by St Joseph College Rho Zeta April 25. NE-2 will be hosted by Moravian College Rho Eta

March 14. NE-3 will be hosted by SUNY/Geneseo Lambda Kappa April 4. And NE-4 will be hosted by Shawnee State University April 25.

Paul Yokley reported for the Southeast Region. Christi Magrath is the new district director for SE-2. The regional convention will be held in Birmingham, AL April 1-4. Paul was aware that the Univ of Georgia did not have an advisor any more. They may become inactive.

Jack Seilheimer reported for the Western Region. The W-2 region will hold a district convention jointly with the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual West Coast Biological Sciences Undergraduate Research Conference April 18<sup>th</sup> 2009. This is the third time that the W-2 region has met jointly with WCBSURC. The W-1 district convention will be hosted by Fort Lewis College, Durango, CO April 3-5, 2009.

There are two universities in California, W-2 district, wanting chapters of Tribeta. They wanted a visit as soon as possible. There was no communication with Paul Chien district director from W-2. Jack said he would find someone to visit the California universities.

Sister Rose Bast reported for the Northcentral Region. All three district conventions are scheduled. NC-1 will be hosted by Lewis University March 28. NC-2 will be hosted by Southwestern College at Camp Horizon April 3-5. NC-3 will be hosted by Grand View College and will meet jointly with the Iowa Academy of Science April 17-18. Pat Ross district director for NC-2 is resigning as district director. He made several recommendations. Amy Morris from Hastings College has agreed to replace him as district director of NC-2. Sister Rose has been working with the inactive chapters in the NC Region. University of Missouri was inactive but will be registering new members. University of Illinois/Chicago is inactive and may need to be withdrawn. University of Wisconsin/Platteville is inactive but she is working with them. The records show they only missed one year of registering members. We usually wait three years of inactivity before considering withdrawing a charter.

Crosby Jones reported for the Southcentral Region. The regional convention will be held at the same location with University of the Ozarks hosting April 4-6. He is still looking for a district director to replace Ron Humphrey. He is working with inactive chapters.

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The fourth item of business was the committee reports.  
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There was no report from the budget committee or the nominations/personnel committee.

Jack Seilheimer did not have results from the McClung Award committee yet.

Fred Brenner reported for the Bertholf Committee. Angelo State University was the recipient for the Bertholf award. Hastings College was the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner. College of New Jersey was the 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner. The Outstanding Chapters were Interamerican University and Gannon University.

Crosby Jones reported for the Research Grant Committee. The total amount awarded in research grants was \$40,280.00. A total of 97 students received grants.

Paul Yokley requested nominations for the Yokley Awards. A list of qualified advisors would be sent to everyone.

Gary asked if Tribeta had felt an impact from the economic down turn. Kathy reported that almost all the investments were in Bank CDs. There were no losses from the foundation. Interest rates were going down as CDs renewed.

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The fifth item of business was a report from the national office.  
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There were thirteen new chapters for the executive committee to approve. There was no recommendation report for the University of Puerto Rico/Aquadilla. It was recommended that an email vote could be done when the recommendation report was received. The following universities are requesting a charter of Beta Beta Beta.

- Misericordia University
- Richard Stockton College
- Stevenson University
- Park University
- University of Iowa
- Southern Nazarene University
- Randolf College
- Bridgewater College
- Winston-Salem State University
- Converse College
- Tougaloo College
- Springhill College

**Ted Michaud moved and Gary Wolgamott seconded that all universities presented today be granted a charter of Beta Beta Beta. Motion Passed.**

Gary asked if the chapters listed had been installed. Pikeville will be installed soon. And Oklahoma State University/Stillwater was yet to be scheduled.

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The sixth item of business was a report from BIOS  
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Lori Kelman reported for BIOS. BIOS is at 64 pages per issue which is the maximum number of pages for the current binding. Lori had requested a software product for electronic submission of manuscripts. The executive committee agreed that this would be a good idea.

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The seventh item of business was old business.  
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Gary expressed concern about the District Director of W-2 and the lack of communication. Sister Rose noted that District Directors serve a two year appointment by the executive committee. The national office would make attempts to contact Paul Chien district director of W-2.

Crosby Jones asked if there had been any contacts made for the convention site for 2012. No attempts have been made toward a convention site for 2012.

Crosby requested permission for a new chapter to present at the regional convention and be eligible for awards even though they are not installed yet. The executive committee approved the request.

**Fred Brenner moved and Gary Wolgamott seconded the committee adjourn.  
Motion Passed.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Roush