

Executive Committee Meeting June 2017 by conference call

The executive committee met by conference call June, 2017, 2:00pm EST. By way of roll call those present were President Steve Ropski, Past Presidents Larry Koehler, Don Roush, Vice President Fred Brenner, Adam Ryburn, Amy Morris, Sister Rose Bast, BIOS editor Lori Kelman, and National Secretary/Treasurer Kathy Roush.

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The first item of business was the National Convention report.

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The tentative schedule was

Monday May 28, 2018 - Executive committee arrives
Tuesday May 29, 2018- Executive committee meeting
Wednesday May 30, 2018 Students arrive
Thursday May 31, 2018 All presentations
Friday June 1, 2018 Field trips
Saturday June 2, 2018 Field trips
Sunday June 3, 2018 Depart

Deposits were made for use of Asilomar State Park May 28- June 3, 2018. A payment schedule was set up with automatic payments made with a credit card. Cvent online registration program will be used again. It will be made available on the web page in October or November. Field trips will be scheduled when school starts in September when Aparna Sreenivasan returns from sabbatical..

The National Convention schedule is listed below

2018 National Convention -- California State University –Monterey Bay, Phi Beta Chapter, possible location Asilomar State Park.

2020 National Convention – Florida Institute of Technology, Sigma Psi Chapter

2022 National Convention – Oklahoma City University Chapter Alpha Chapter (100th anniversary of the honor society)

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The second item of business was approval of the minutes of February 2, 2017.

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**Fred Brenner moved and Larry Koehler seconded the minutes of February 2, 2017 be accepted.
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. All four districts held their district conventions. Steve said they did the outstanding District Award. He thought it went well.

Amy Morris reported for the Northcentral Region. All districts held their conventions. The District Award went to William Jewell College, Lambda Chapter.

Adam Ryburn reported for Southcentral Region. Two schools tied for the District Outstanding Chapter Award. They continued to use their criteria they have used for many years. They ordered an acrylic plaque with the TriBeta crest laser printed on it. Their regional convention was hosted at Angelo State University. There were 17 chapters present, 44 posters and 40 oral presentations.

Don Roush reported for the Southeast Region. The Regional/District Convention was held in Montgomery, AL hosted by Tau Gamma Chapter East Carolina University. It was well attended with 90 total oral and poster presentations. The Outstanding District Chapter for SE-1 was Florida Institute of Technology, Sigma Psi Chapter. The Outstanding District Chapter Award for SE-2 was Columbus State University, Mu Omicron Chapter. The Outstanding Chapter Advisor award was Award Heather Cathcart from Abraham Baldwin AG College, Tau Delta Kappa Chapter.

Felix emailed a visit report for a new chapter in Puerto Rico.

Tony sent a report by email for the Western Region. The W-1 was held at Western State Colorado University, Gamma Chapter. The W-1 district meeting had 40 attendees from 6 chapters. Las Positas College hosted the W-2 district meeting. W-2 had 40 attendees.

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The fourth item of business was a report from BIOS.
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Lori Kelman reported for BIOS. There have been over 18 articles submitted for publication. There are some issues with the printing of BIOS. There is a new manager for BIOS at Allen Press. BIOS is a little behind. She hopes to catch up soon.

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The fifth item of business was the committee reports.
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Adam reported for the research grant application. He would like to have a digital submission of grants. He is working on this and hoped to have it ready by August 1, 2017. He wanted to have the due date Sept 30, 2017 and everything digital.

Kathy Roush reported for the McClung Committee. The winner for the McClung Award Winner – **Amalia Olson and Teresa DeGolier. “Contractile activity of *Rubus idaeus* extract on isolated mouse uterine strips. B-47IOS 87(2):39-47, 2016**

Fred Brenner reported for the Bertholf Award Committee. The winners for the Bertholf Award are listed below.

Bertholf Award Winner –

1st place Theta Omega—Gannon University

2nd place Zeta Lambda University of PR/Aguadila

- 3rd place Pi Omicron Hastings College
Outstanding Chapter Award
- 4th place Zeta Beta Interamerican University Puerto Rico
- 5th place Chi Upsilon College of New Jersey

Don Roush reported for the Yokley Award. He was asking for nominations for approval at the next national convention.

Sister Rose Bast reported for the Budget Committee. She said quarterly audits were good. Budget for Oct 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018 was presented. Research grant funding was recommended to be increased from \$60,000 to \$65,000.

It was recommended that chapters that owe money not receive research grants or travel grants.

**Sister Rose Bast moved and Adam Ryburn seconded the motion to accept the October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018 budget be accepted.
Motion Passed.**

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The sixth item of business was a report from the national office.
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Kathy Roush reported for the national office. There are three new requests for a charter.

- St Francis College
- Southern Utah University
- University of Puerto Rico/ Arecibo

Steve recommended their review all three at the same time instead of reviewing one at a time. All agreed. Steve also wanted to review the guidelines for visiting a new chapter.

**Larry Koehler moved and Amy Morris seconded to grant a charter to all three universities.
Motion Passed.**

Steve asked if we could have jewelry items to view at the next national convention.

Don Roush moved to adjourn.

Adjourn.
Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Roush