

Executive Committee Meeting February 2, 2017 by conference call 2:00pm EST

The executive committee met by conference call February 2, 2017, 2:00pm EST. By way of roll call those present were President Steve Ropski, Past Presidents Larry Koehler, Don Roush, Vice Presidents Felix Velazquez, Fred Brenner, Adam Ryburn, Amy Morris, Tony Schountz, CSUMB faculty Dr. Nate Jue, and National Secretary/Treasurer Kathy Roush.

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The first item of business was the National Convention report.

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Dr. Nate Jue reported for the 2018 National Convention. The dorms at California State University Monterey Bay were not available late May or June. They would be available after July 4, 2018. If the convention date was May 28- June 3, 2018 or June 4- 10, 2018 , Asilomar State Park would be available. The executive committee decided July was to late in the summer. Sun. May 28- June 3, 2018 was decided would be the date of the national convention 2018. Asilomar State Park was the most desirable option. But the executive committee wanted to price hotels nearby.

There were many possible field trips such as the aquarium and research labs in the area. There were several possible speakers for Wed evening and other evenings. Airports in Monterey Bay , San Jose, and San Francisco are available. Taxi would need to be used for Monterey Bay, and a shuttle bus for San Jose and San Francisco.

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

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The second item of business was approval of the minutes of May 31, 2016 at Bethel University, Gamma Omega Chapter, Minnesota.

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Fred Brenner moved and Tony Schountz seconded the minutes of May 31, 2016 be accepted.

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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 districts have their conventions scheduled. Fred wanted letters sent to the inactive chapters. He is going to send a list of chapters that he wants to receive letters.

Don Roush reported for the Southeast region. The SE met jointly with the Association of Southeastern Biologist. The district director for SE1 Lee Sutton will organized the TriBeta meeting. They will try to work with the inactive chapters.

Felix Velazquez reported for the Caribbean region. They have their regional meeting scheduled. There are two new schools wanting a charter. He has one on the list this time for approval.

Tony reported for the Western Region. The district convention for W-1 will be hosted by Western State Colorado University, Gamma Chapter April 7-8, 2017. The district convention for W-2 will be hosted by Las Positas College, Omicron Lambda Club, April 22, 2017. He said he would work with the inactive chapters.

Amy reported for the Northcentral region. The district convention for NC -1 will be hosted by Bradley University April 22, 2017. The district convention for NC2 will be hosted by Hastings College, Pi Omicron Chapter March 31- April 2, 2107. NC-3 is not scheduled yet. She asked for letters to be sent to inactive chapters.

Adam Ryburn reported for the Southcentral region. The regional conference was hosted by Angelo State University at Mt Lebanon Retreat Center in Cedar Hill, TX March 31- April 2, 2017. He will work with the inactive chapters.

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The fourth item of business was the committee reports.
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Adam reported for the Research Grant Committee. He would like to revise the submission process for the grant proposals to a digital format.

Don reported for the Yokley Award Committee. He requested everyone to look at the list of eligible faculty advisor and submit nominations to him.

The National Convention Committee proposed National Convention locations 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 fifth item of business was the report from the National Office.
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Kathy reported for the national office. There are nine universities requesting a charter of Beta Beta Beta Biology Honor Society.

Mount Ida College
University of New Hampshire
Ferris State University
East Georgia State College
Arcadia University
Louisiana Tech University
University of North Texas
Western Kentucky University
Pontifical Catholic University/Mayaguez

Fred Brenner moved and Larry Koehler seconded that all nine universities requesting a charter of Beta Beta Beta Biology Honor Society be granted a charter. Motion Passed.

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The sixth item of business was old business.
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Guidelines for a district level outstanding chapter award were proposed. This award was patterned after an outstanding district chapter award in the southcentral region. This award will not replace the national Bertholf Outstanding Chapter Award. The guidelines will be posted on the web page and sent to each district director by email.

Don moved to adjourn.

Adjourn.
Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Roush