

**Epsilon Sigma Phi  
Oregon Gamma Chapter  
Annual Meeting, 2012  
October 29, 2012  
Minutes**

**Attending:** Janice Gregg, Nancy Kershaw, Nellie Oehler, Derek Godwin, Doug Hart, Steve Renquist, Ross Penhallegon, Gabriel Boliut (spelling?), Deborah Maddy, Carole Smith, Duane Johnson, Jim Reeb, John Williams, Joy Jones, Mike Knutz, Lynette Black, Robin Galloway, Barbara Brody, Marilyn Lesmeister, Maureen Hosty, Tammy Skubinna, Janice Smiley, Patty Skinkis

**Minutes:**

- Annual meeting 2011 Minutes, reviewed and approved (Carole Smith, Jim Reeb)
- Board meeting September 2012 minutes, revised and approved (Mike Knutz, Derek Godwin)

**Committee Reports:**

International/Global Relations - no report

Membership (Jim Reeb)

There are 54 annual members and 66 life members.

Last year four new members dues were gifted, one member dues gifted (contest)

**Motion: Continue to offer free memberships for the first three new members**  
(Debbie Maddie, John Hart; motion passed)

**Suggestion:** we need to track how many of these new members renew their memberships if it is continued another year.

**FYI:** All extension employees are qualified to join ESP (unclassified included).

Resource Development and Management (Janice Smiley) - postponed to next board meeting.

Retiree Issues (Nellie Oehler) - We need to know who the retirees are

Newsletter (Patricia Dawson) - Thanks

Historian (Duane Johnson) - history will have a place for the documents by end of 2013

Scholarships, Grants and Recognition - Mike Knutz is new chairman.

**Old Business:**

National Conference

- Lynette and Mike reporting: Plan to attend, it is a smaller conference (250), better to meet others and share what is happening.
- 2012 Annual Meeting our Friend to Extension Award winner, John Nyberg, attended all parts of the conference and enjoyed participating. He was one of three who received the award and fit in very well. He is very active with Extension in Yamhill County.
- National Award Winners: Patricia Dawson, poster; Deb Schreiber, mid career; Marilyn Lesmeister, DSA; Maureen Quinn, Diversity
- Patricia Dawson is the Western Regional Vice President
- Don't forget that there are first timer scholarships \$500

- Future National Meetings
  - 2013 Galaxy, Pittsburg
  - 2014, Indianapolis, Indiana
  - 2015 Western Region (Coeur d'alene, Idaho)

On going work

Lillian is continuing to work on the by-laws and getting the non-profit status

Other

National ESP is looking for JOE liaison—they do pay expenses.

**New Business**

Review of the financial books is completed, need volunteers for Budget Committee

Election:

Nominations: President Elect – Deb Schreiber

Secretary – Janice Gregg

**Motion: A unanimous ballot was cast for the election of the above officers (Duane Johnson, Mike Knutz)**

**Scholarships, Grants and Recognition Celebration (thanks John Williams and Mike Knutz)**

Twenty five year members:

Suzie Busler

Maureen Quinn

Meritorious Service Award

Mary Vanetta, Umatilla County

Continued Service Award

Nancy Kershaw

Distinguished Service Award

John Williams

Mid-Career Service Award

Carole Smith

Visionary Leadership Award

Janice Smiley

Team Recognition Award

4-H Urban/Rural Exchange Team—Deb Schreiber, Shawna Withee, John

Williams, Maureen Hosty, Jed Smith, Gary Delany

Diversity Recognition Award

Mike Knutz

Meeting Adjourned,

Janice Gregg, Secretary