



Present: Lynette Black, Jean Brandt, Janice Cowan, Patricia Dawson, Lyla Houglum, Duane Johnson, Nancy Kershaw, Mike Knutz

The meeting was called to order by Lynette Black, Gamma Chapter President. Minutes from the April 10, 2013 meeting were reviewed as presented. Motion to accept by Jean Brandt, second by Duane Johnson. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report was presented by Nancy Kershaw. There were no significant changes in the report. Future potential fundraisers such as Conference Silent Auctions would be of great benefit for the funds for national winners to travel to conference, etc.

Global Relations – Lillian and Jean conducted a training on “International Extension Opportunities at Spring Conference. There seems to be a lot of interest in International work. The committee has permission from Missouri Extension to use their survey on International work which they hope to send out to OSU staff this fall. Duane suggested we contact Life Members to assist with International work/trainings. Tammy Skubinna has done some International work since retirement. Another source would be Dan McGrath, current Outreach & Engagement Staff Contact for Extension.

Membership Committee – No report.

Member Scholarship, Grants & Recognition – Mike shared that we had several individuals that were selected for National Recognition:

Friend of Extension – Ray Van Blaricom

Visionary Leadership – Janice Smiley

Distinguished Team – 4-H Urban/Rural Exchange Program

Duane moved that we allocate \$400 to our Friend of Extension Award to assist with travel to Galaxy. Mike seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Mike indicated that the Western Region tends to have a small turnout for many of the awards and encouraged all to nominate colleagues. He also stressed the importance of reading the guidelines for the award and scholarship applications to ensure that all criteria are met.

Resource Development Committee

Janice shared that OSU will have a 2014 Conference September 29 - October 3. She proposed that we have some type of Silent Auction. Lynette will visit with the OSUEA Board to request a slot.

Professional Development – No Report.

Retiree Issues – No Report.

Newsletter Committee – Patricia indicated that a newsletter would be published after Galaxy.

Historian – Duane had not had any time to focus on archive records due to health issues.

Website – Lillian has been working with Crystal to fine tune the Gamma Chapter website. It has great framework but some sections need updates.

Galaxy – Lynette shared updates regarding the upcoming Galaxy Conference. State's Night Out will be Tuesday evening – the same time as a Major Baseball Game open to all Galaxy delegates. It was suggested that ESP host a dinner open to all Oregonians not attending the Baseball Game. Lynette will send out email details prior to Galaxy. Those planning to attend Galaxy include: Mike Knutz, Janice Cowan, Deb Maddy, Patricia Dawson, Lynette Black, Lyla Houglum, Nancy Kershaw, Joy Jones and Debra Schreiber.

Debra Schreiber will serve as Oregon's official voting delegate as Lynette has schedule conflicts during the National Business Meeting.

National ESP Update – Patricia shared updated Galaxy details that impact ESP. Due to multiple overlaps in the schedule it was necessary for ESP to condense the time allocation for the Regional Meetings as well as the General Business Meeting. Patricia encouraged the group to recruit individuals to represent the West on the various committees. Currently Mike Knutz, Deb Maddy and Patricia serve on National Committees.

2015 Conference

Idaho is hosting the 2015 National ESP Conference. Oregon volunteered to organize the speakers for the event. We will need to form a Subgroup Committee to begin to identify potential speakers as generally the main speakers are shared in promotional packets a year in advance. Past members on the committee when we assisted Wyoming included: Deb Maddy, Lillian Larwood, Jim Reeb and Patricia Dawson.

Motion to Adjourn by Mike Knutz. Motion passed.