

South Dakota ESA Fall Council
Saturday, September 15th, 2018
“Build Every Single Asset”
Hosted by Alpha Alpha
Pizza Ranch, Sioux Falls, SD

President Kim Berven called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Barb Campbell, via Jan Jones, gave the inspirational message.

Opening Ritual was recited.

Kay Nordlie welcomed everyone.

Attendance sheet was distributed with 25 people present.

Minute Review Committee was assigned: Ashley Augspurger, Trudy Anthofer and Janice Hight.

Reports/ Encouragement:

Parliamentarian: Ron High Rock says he has been studying the rules. He wants to encourage everyone to follow them.

Membership: Ashley Augspurger, via Shelley Huber, read an article about membership. Volunteer groups in general have issues with membership. She encourages everyone to ‘promote’ through social media, etc. Maybe plan a free event or luncheon at no cost, and bring a non member along.

Treasurer: Joanne Tieman: Luann Ouellette made a motion to approve the budget with correction. Patty Rarick seconded. Motion passed.

Disaster Fund: Ashley Augspurger encouraged everyone to come up with projects for “Hope for Heroes”. Reports should be sent to Ashley by January 1st, 2019.

Youth Awards: As of now the youth award is \$75. The consensus was that this is not enough. We discussed the possibility of switching or scratching the project or adjusting requirements. As of now the requirements are to have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, supply a certified transcript and have 3 letters of recommendation. The budget is very short this year. Barb Campbell suggested we go back to one award for all of Middle and High Schools. Luann Ouellette suggested changing it to \$50 for Middle School and \$100 for High School. Julie Heine would like 3 proposals from each chapter and then it would be put out for a vote.

Education Director (Lori Morris) President Kim read an article from the IC website about the history of ESA. Talked about how having monthly educational is so important. Each chapter should submit their reports by the end of the year. “The purpose of learning is growth!”

ESA Foundation: No report

Philanthropic- Ashley Augspurger: Michele Mueller pointed out that the form on the website has the word 'project' misspelled. Let Sheba Schlaikjer or Jericha Phelps know so it can be corrected.

Quills: No report

State Project/Domestic Violence: Sandie Sullivan and Luann Ouellette gave a very interesting talk with handouts. 1 in 4 are victims. How can we make a difference? Learn about it, donate, volunteer, host a drive, share info, etc. Send your event info, etc. to webmasters Sheba Schlaikjer or Jericha Phelps.

Unfinished Business: Motion to approve the 2018 State Convention Minutes from Ron High Rock. Brenda Chatham seconded and the motion carried. Also, the 2018 Summer Board meeting minutes were approved by a motion from Michele Mueller and seconded by Ashley Augspurger.

2019 State Convention-Ruth Creasey: May 3-4 in Mitchell at the "Overtime" in downtown Mitchell. Discussion was had. Janice Hight would like to see it go back to 2 days Tarah Eliason checked Hotel accommodations in Mitchell. Approximately \$106.00 at the Hampton Inn. Hotels.com indicated that there are several hotels w/rooms available. Barb Campbell(Theta Omega) motioned to have a social Friday night (May 3), apart from the cost of Saturday (May 4). Room reservations for Friday would be "on your own". Luann Ouellette seconded and the motion passed.

IC Report: none

MARC 2018 Conference: October 12-13 at the downtown Hilton Garden Inn, Sioux Falls.SD.

Kim and Tarah provided a tentative agenda. They will be meeting at the Downtown Hilton Garden Inn within the next week to finalize plans. The agenda is set based on full rate.

Barb Campbell and Luann Ouellette will be doing registration signups.

Kim sent a signup sheet around for help with a variety of things like photo booth, etc.

Tarah Eliason is making up booklets (adds are coming in). Ashley Augspurgers chapter has volunteered to put them together.

Hospitality Room will be in Kim and Tarah's suite. Sandy Grismer will be in charge of the room.

Friday night State Dinner will be away from Hotel.

Sandie Sullivan – Domestic Violence- bringing life size cutouts to display at Convention.

Hotel is providing all decorations except Kim is collecting bottles to paint blue.

Sioux Falls Visitor Center is providing bags for registration info.

Market Place: Ron High Rock is working with Kim and Tarah and they proposed advancing \$500.00 for supplies to set up the market booth. Items such as t-shirts, koozies, canvas totes and flour sack towels would be purchased as blank and printed as requested at the event and could be purchased within 45 days free of charge. Ron High Rock made a motion for Treasurer Joanne Tieman to make a check up for \$500.00 so that these items could be purchased in advance. Patty Rarick seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Plastic bag collection award went to Ron High Rock with 9000 bags!

New Business:

Budget Committee: Kim Berven, Joanne Tieman, Julie Heine, Shelley Huber.

IC Leadership will be February 28-March 3, 2019 in Denver, Colorado.

One day Leadership March 23, 2019 from 9:00am – 4pm. St. Louis, MO.

Meeting adjourned: Barb Campbell, via Chaplain Jan Jones read “One” (be that one today).