



## MINUTES

### Chi Epsilon Sigma Gamma Chapter

#### Business Meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting April 16-17, 2009

The U.K. Chi Epsilon Sigma Gamma Chapter (hereafter referred to as “CES”) Business Meeting was held on Thursday, April 16, 2009, at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Prestonsburg, Ky. The Business Meeting began at 4:45 P.M. Highlights of the Chi Epsilon Sigma 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting follows the minutes of this Business Meeting and made a part hereof.

The meeting was called to order by President, Charolette Arnett. Board Members, Directors and U.K. Administration personnel present were as follows:

**Officers:** Charolette Arnett, President, Mammoth Cave Area  
Lillie Thompson, President-Elect, Green River Area  
Kym Pope, Vice-President, Fort Harrod Area  
Kathy Ballard, Treasurer, Lincoln Trail Area  
Donna Browne, Annalist, Louisville Area  
Sally Tanner, Past President, Purchase Area

**Directors:** Evonne Blackburn, Bluegrass Area  
Kathy Clark, Fort Harrod Area  
Julie Stallings, Green River Area  
Allison Taylor, Lake Cumberland Area  
Genevieve Roso, Lincoln Trail Area  
Donna Knebel, Louisville Area  
Sherry Taylor, Mammoth Cave Area  
Gail Rice, Northeast Area  
Marilyn Lauer, Northern Kentucky Area  
Kitty Simpson, Pennyryle Area  
Deena Myatt, Purchase Area  
Vacant, Quicksand Area  
Velma Mullins Wilderness Trail Area  
Brenda Saylor, Wilderness Trail Area  
Marie Bechstein, U.K. Campus  
Marilyn Hooks, U.K. Campus

## **Introduction of Guests**

Charolette Arnett, President, introduced Dr. Martha Nall who gave greetings from Administration. Dr. Jimmy Henning and Dr. Paul Warner were unable to attend due to schedule conflicts. Dr. Nall also congratulated Chi Epsilon Sigma on their 10 years success as an organization.

## **Minutes**

Sally Tanner, Past President, presented the minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Chi Epsilon Sigma, April 17, 2008, on behalf of Teresa Bright, Secretary. Minutes had been distributed prior to the beginning of the business meeting. There was one correction to the minutes: the dates on the last page of annual meeting highlights should read 2008 instead of 2007. A motion was made by Joyce Cardenas, Marion County, to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Kaye Johnting, Pendleton County. Motion carried.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Kathy Ballard, CES Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's Report with a balance of \$13,056.64 as of April 8, 2009. There being no corrections or additions, a motion was made by Carolyn Morris, Taylor County, and seconded by Debra Litteral, Greenup County, to accept the Treasurer's Report as reported. Motion carried. A copy of the Treasurer's Report is filed for Audit and a copy is made a part of these minutes.

Kathy reported that we have a total of 157 members which includes 25 new members.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Community Service Project & Policy Procedure Manual**

Allison Taylor, Pulaski County, reported on our Community Service Project, the Center for Courageous Kids®, a medical camp for children living with medical challenges. Through membership donation we had a total of \$482. At the annual meeting, an additional \$243 was collected from a raffle on a filled basket donated by Greenup County for a total donation of \$725.

## **Awards and Recognition**

Marilyn Lauer and Lillie Thompson presented the following awards:

### **Distinguished Service Award:**

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Mary McAdoo, Pulaski County
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Gail Rice, Greenup County
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Linda Tapp, Webster County

**County Website Award:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Debra Litteral, Greenup County
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Brenda Gregory, Simpson County
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Nelda Snead, Todd County

**Media Award:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Penny Hughes, Warren County
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Eileen Kopp, Laurel County
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Kriste Bryson, Simpson County

**New Achiever's Award:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Olivia Coleman, Lyon County
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Lori Whitlow, Daviess County
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Kriste Bryson, Simpson County

**Good Friend Award:**

Brenda Williamson, Pulaski County

**Jovial Award:**

Amanda Francis, Todd County

**Years of Service**

Lille Thompson asked for those that had worked for Extension 5 years, 10 years, and 15 years to stand and be recognized.

Lillie and Marilyn Lauer then presented Years of Service certificates to the following:

Velma Mullins	20 years
Mary McAdoo	20 years
Alice Craft	20 years
Billie Richardson	22 years
Jessica Lawrence	23 years
Brenda Bevins	24 years
Carolyn Morris	27 years
Cindy Myers	29 years
Linda Childress	29 years
Debbie Dunn	30 years
Kaye Johnting	30 years
Jeanne Adkins	30 years
Venita Wood	31 years
Marilyn Hooks	35 years
Melody Mays	38 years
Kitty Simpson	44 years

Lillie also asked that past presidents of Chi Epsilon Sigma as well as 2009 outgoing directors stand and be recognized.

A special plaque was presented to Martha Nall in appreciation of her continued support of Chi Epsilon Sigma. An appreciation plaque will be presented to Dr. Paul Warner and Dr. John Mowbray at a later date.

### **Professional/Personal Improvement Scholarship**

Two scholarships presented this year. Gail Rice presented the awards to Becky Filiatreau, Nelson County, and Debra Litteral, Greenup County. Each recipient received \$100.00.

### **Higher Education Scholarships**

Several applications were received but due to application criteria not being followed the scholarship was not awarded.

### **Child/Grandchild Scholarship**

This award has been presented to Sara and Cameron Edwards, children of Sharon Edwards, Webster County. Sharon read a note to the group expressing her appreciation for this award to her children as well as CES being supportive of her educational and professional endeavors.

### **Nominating**

Sally Tanner, Past President, presented the following slate of officers:

#### **Officers**

President	Lillie Thompson	Daviess County
President Elect	Kym Pope	Woodford County
Vice President	Amy Hogan	Metcalfe County
Secretary	Teresa Bright	Adair County
Treasurer	Kathy Ballard	Nelson County
Annalist	Sally Tanner	Ballard County
Past President	Charolette Arnett	Monroe County

#### **Directors**

Bluegrass Area  
Lincoln Trail  
Mammoth Cave  
Northeast  
Northern Kentucky  
Pennyrile  
UK Campus

#### **Serving New Terms**

Evonne Blackburn  
Genevieve Roso  
Sherry Taylor  
Gail Rice  
Marilyn Lauer  
Olivia Coleman  
Marilyn Hooks

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Harrison County  
LaRue County  
Warren County  
Greenup County  
Campbell County  
Lyon County  
UK Research Center, Princeton

<u>Directors</u>	<u>Finishing Term</u>	<u>April 2010</u>
Quicksand	Jackie Allen	Robinson Station

<u>Directors</u>	<u>Serving Second Terms</u>	<u>April 2010</u>
Fort Harrod	Kathy Clark	Mercer County
Green River	Julie Stallings	Daviess County
Lake Cumberland	Allison Taylor	Pulaski County
Licking River	Jan Law Stevens	Rowan County
Louisville	Donna Knebel	Jefferson County
Purchase Area	Deena Myatt	Ballard County
Wilderness Trail	Brenda Saylor	Rockcastle County
	Velma Mullins	Laurel County
UK Campus	Marie Bechstein	Campus

### **Annual Meeting Recognition**

Charolette Arnett thanked all those that helped to make this year's Annual Meeting a success. A copy of the program has been made part of these minutes.

### **New Business**

Sally Tanner updated the group on forming a National Chi Epsilon Sigma association. Sally and Lillie Thompson were able to attend the Southern Regional Extension and Research Support Staff Association (SRERSSA) meeting held in Nashville in November. This group has been formed from some of the southern states of which CES chapters has been invited to join.

Along with the other CES Chapters (Ohio, Arkansas, Kentucky, West Virginia, Louisiana), the group was presented with the idea to join with CES since we already were a "national" organization and not limited to the southern region. Discussion and questions were held but no decision was made at this time. However, SRERSSA members will take this idea back to their respective states for discussion.

During a January satellite conference of SRERSSA board members, Sally informed the group that the CES chapters had previously voted not to become members of SRERSSA due to the fact that we were already a National organization; just needed more state chapters. Most comments from the other board members were that their state groups were not ready to ask their administration to support a move to a new association so soon after organizing their own. Other discussion was held on the annual meeting. It was decided to forego the meeting this year due to budget cuts.

Updates on this subject will be brought to the membership via email from Sally.

### **Installation of Officers**

Charolette Arnett, President, asked for nominations from the floor. There were none. A motion was made by Donna Browne, Jefferson County, and seconded by Linda Tapp,

Webster County, to accept the slate of nominees as presented by the Nominating Committee. Motion carried.

**Officers:**

President	Lillie Thompson, Daviess County
President-Elect	Kym Pope, Woodford County
Vice-President	Amy Hogan, Metcalfe County
Secretary	Teresa Bright, Adair County
Treasurer	Kathy Ballard, Nelson County
Annalist	Sally Tanner, Ballard County
Past President	Charolette Arnett, Monroe County

**Directors:**

Bluegrass Area	Evonne Blackburn, Harrison County
Fort Harrod Area	Kathy Clark, Mercer County
Green River Area	Julie Stallings, Daviess County
Lake Cumberland Area	Allison Taylor, Pulaski County
Licking River Area	Jan Law-Stevens, Rowan County
Lincoln Trail Area	Genevieve Roso, LaRue County
Louisville Area	Donna Knebel, Jefferson County
Mammoth Cave	Sherry Taylor, Warren County
Northeast Area	Gail Rice, Greenup County
Northern Kentucky Area	Marilyn Lauer, Campbell County
Pennyrile Area	Olivia Coleman, Lyon County
Purchase Area	Deena Myatt, Ballard County
Quicksand Area	Jackie Allen, Robinson Substation
Wilderness Trail	Velma Mullins, Laurel County
U.K. Campus	Brenda Saylor, Rockcastle County
U.K. Campus	Marie Bechstein, UK Campus
	Marilyn Hooks, UK Research Center, Princeton

The Officers and Directors accepted their respective elected positions during the Installation ceremony by the lighting of candles.

**Recognition of Outgoing President**

Charolette Arnett was presented a crystal platter in honor of her year as CES President.

**Board Meeting**

The Board of Directors will have a short meeting on Friday, April 17, 2009, at 7:15 A.M.

**Adjourn**

There being no further items to address, the Business Meeting was adjourned for dinner at 6:00 P.M.

## **Highlights of Chi Epsilon Sigma 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting**

The 10<sup>th</sup> University of Kentucky Chi Epsilon Sigma Gamma Chapter Annual Meeting was held April 16-17, 2009, at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Prestonsburg, KY. The theme for the meeting was "Celebration: 10 Years of Success with CES!"

### **Thursday, April 16, 2009**

Registration was Thursday, April 16, 2009, from 9:00 A.M - 10:00 A.M.

A mini play on Little Women was presented through the Pike County Fine Arts Agent, Stephanie Richards.

Ms. Joyce Doyle, Grant County 4H Agent, was the opening speaker.

Breakout sessions were conducted and topics included: *(A copy of the program included with the minutes.)*

Generations at Work  
Digital Photography Boot Camp 101  
What Women Want  
Building Stronger Community Through Quality Arts  
True Colors  
Exploring Our Energy

Activities for the evening were a trip to "Hillbilly Days" Festival or hospitality/game room.

### **Friday, April 17, 2009**

Breakout sessions included:

Digital Photography Boot Camp 201  
Sharing for Success: Jazz Up Your Documents and Presentations  
What Kind of Tater Would You Be if the Hokey Pokey is  
    "What's It's All About"  
True Colors

Marie Bechstein introduced David Adams, District 1 Director, who welcomed the group to eastern Kentucky and congratulated Chi Epsilon Sigma on an excellent conference.

Mr. Rodger Bingham, Kentucky Department of Agriculture, was our closing speaker. Mr. Bingham brought greetings from Richie Farmer, Commissioner of Ag, as well as bringing us up to date on the Agriculture Economic Outlook. Mr. Bingham was also a guest speaker at our 2002 Annual Meeting, "Survivor: It's a Jungle Out There", and answered questions relating to his experience on the reality show, "Survivor."

Respectfully Submitted By:  
Sally Tanner, Past President  
Acting Chi Epsilon Sigma Secretary

### **Board Meeting – April 17, 2009 – 7:15 am**

- ▶ A Board meeting was held during breakfast to plan for the 2010 Annual Meeting. Amy Hogan, Vice President, had researched several state parks and found three possibilities: Barren River, Dale Hollow and Lake Cumberland. After discussion on returning to the Kentucky Leadership Center since it was just as close as Lake Cumberland and concerns about budget cuts, Amy contacted them to see if the dates were available for our meeting. She informed us that the Center was booked for three weeks in April therefore it was decided to hold the meeting at Lake Cumberland State Resort Park, April 15 – 16, 2010.
  
- ▶ Discussion was held on the possibility of naming Malinda Cooper an honorary member. Since Malinda has left UK employment, our By-Laws state only active or retired members are eligible for this honor.
  
- ▶ There was also discussion on making Joyce Doyle, Grant County 4-H Agent, an honorary member. A motion was made and seconded to make Joyce an honorary member of Chi Epsilon Sigma. Motion carried.
  
- ▶ President Lillie Thompson announced the next Board meeting will be held the first week of August. Meetings via satellite conference were discussed but decided the first meeting should be face to face. Actual date will be sent via email.

Sally Tanner, Annalist  
Acting Chi Epsilon Sigma Secretary