



The Rho Chi Society

Minutes of the Executive Council Meeting
Saturday, July 10, 2010 – Seattle Sheraton Hotel, Seattle, WA

The meeting was called to order by President Robert McCarthy at 3:42 PM.

Members present: Robert McCarthy-President, Jack Reynolds-President Elect, Paul Jungnickel-Secretary, J. Douglas Bricker-Historian, A. Wayne Pittman-Executive Vice President, Gail Moriarty-National Office Administrative Assistant, Karen Rascati-Immediate Past President (via telephone).

Regional Councilors present: Gina Garrison (I), Susan Meyer (II), Melody Ryan (IV), Bob Soltis (V), Beth Resman-Targoff (VI), Karen Gunning (VII), Kimberly Cauthon (VIII)

The Minutes of the March 2010 Annual and Executive Council meetings held in Washington, DC were approved.

Historian Doug Bricker presented nominees for the 2011 Rho Chi Lecture award. The Executive Council selected John Grabenstein to receive the 2011 Rho Chi Lecture Award.

Executive Vice-President Wayne Pittman discussed the First-Year Graduate Scholarship Award (FYGS). He reported that Robert Bachman of AFPE is supportive of a second FYGS with Rho Chi initially providing funding. AFPE is currently having difficulty in obtaining funding for even the first award. Wayne Pittman reported that Rho Chi has the money to fund a second award if we want to do this. It was moved, seconded, and passed to give the Rho Chi Graduate Scholarship Committee the authority to name and fund a second scholarship in cases where there are two highly qualified applicants.

Past-President Karen Rascati, Chair of the Nominations Committee, reported that the Committee is accepting nominations for Secretary, Historian and Councilors for the odd numbered regions. Executive Council members were encouraged to submit recommendations for nominations.

Councilors Beth Resman-Targoff and Karen Gunning presented a draft of the Annual Chapter Report Form. The Executive Council considered revisions to the form to shorten it, to focus it on reporting of chapter activities that advance the mission of Rho Chi, and to make it more user-friendly. Beth and Karen will make additional revisions to the draft and provide it to the Executive Council.

Councilors Gina Garrison and Beth Resman-Targoff provided a Position Overview for Rho Chi Society Regional Councilors. This provides an expanded overview of expectations beyond those contained in the Bylaws. Suggested changes will be incorporated into the document and it will be used by the Nominations Committee in soliciting nominees.

Councilors Melody Ryan and Kimberly Cauthon discussed the New Faculty Advisor Orientation and Advisor Reception to be held on Sunday evening July 11, including a schedule of planned events.

President McCarthy presented an updated committee list including chairpersons (see below).

Credentials (To be named – members from Region VII)
Auditing (S. William Zito)
Chapter Awards (John R. “Jack” Reynolds)
Lecture Award (J. Douglas Bricker)
Nominating (Karen L. Rascati)
Faculty Advisor Award (KarenBeth Bohan)
First-Year Graduate Scholarship (Karen L. Rascati)
Rho Chi Clinical Research Scholarship (Milap C. Nahata)
Bylaws Revision (Michael C. Wincor)
Service Recognition (J. Douglas Bricker)
Web Site (Wallace Marsh)
New Faculty Advisor Orientation (Melody H. Ryan)

Secretary Paul Jungnickel led a discussion of issues as follow up to Bylaws discussions and delegate actions at the 2010 Annual Meeting. Much of the discussion centered on the mission of Rho Chi and how this relates to membership eligibility criteria and appropriate chapter activities. It was decided that Rho Chi address these issues in a number of ways.

- Develop a White Paper on the Mission of Rho Chi and how the Rho Chi Mission should be implemented by chapters. Paul Jungnickel, Gina Garrison, Karen Gunning and Beth Resman-Targoff agreed to develop the initial draft of the White Paper. Bob McCarthy will contact Joseph DiPiro regarding publication of the White Paper in the American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education.
- On an ongoing basis, Rho Chi needs to communicate to its members their responsibilities as scholars and intellectual leaders.
- Consider the creation of a fellow category of membership in Rho Chi. A committee of Melody Ryan (Chair), Wayne Pittman, and Doug Bricker will investigate this possibility.
- Hold a Rho Chi Poster Session as part of the Annual Meeting, with presentations of posters being required of regional award winners.

The Executive Council discussed the issue of holding a special 90th Anniversary celebration and decided against doing this.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:26 PM.

The next Executive Council Meeting is scheduled for March 28, 2011, in Seattle, Washington.

Respectfully Submitted,
Paul W. Jungnickel
National Secretary