

**Executive Committee Meeting February 11, 2011, 2:00 pm CST by conference call.**

The executive committee met by conference call at 2:00 pm CST. President Don Roush welcomed everyone. By way of roll call those present were President Don Roush, Past Presidents Gary Wolgamott, Larry Koehler, and Ted Michaud, Vice Presidents Paul Yokley, Fred Brenner, Sister Rose Bast, Felix Velazquez-Soto, Crosby Jones, and Tony Schountz, BIOS Editor Lori Kelman, National Secretary/Treasurer Kathy Roush.

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The first item of business was the national convention 2012 report.  
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Felix sent a power point for the web page. Verdanza Hotel is the hotel choice. It is close to the airport and they have shuttles to and from the airport. The executive committee meeting will be held on campus of University of Puerto Rico, Cayey. Poster and Oral presentation can be held at the Univ of Puerto Rico/Carolina. Wednesday evening will be a dinner and speaker, Thursday; Friday will be the field trips. Trips will possibly be the rainforest. The field trips will be all day. One field trip may be a tour of the island. They will be back to the hotel by 6:00 or 7:00pm. Students can set up posters and load oral presentations at 4:00 and later. Banquet will be around 6:30pm. The national convention 2012 will be held May 14 -20, 2012.

Tentative schedule

- Monday May 14, 2012 -- Executive committee arrives
- Tuesday May 15, 2012 -- Executive committee will meet at the University of Puerto Rico/Cayey campus. Executive committee may have lunch with the chancellor.
- Wednesday May 16, 2012 -- Students Arrive
- Thursday and Friday May 17, 18, 2012 Field trips, tentative field trips are listed on a power Point on the web page [www.tribeta.org](http://www.tribeta.org) under conventions.
- Saturday May 19, 2012 Oral presentations and poster presentations will be held on the University of Puerto Rico/Carolina campus. Posters will be put up on Friday. Students should bring their oral presentations on a jump drive to be transferred to computers on Friday.
- Sunday May 20, 2012 – depart.

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The second item of business was the approval of the minutes of May 18, 2010.  
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**Paul Yokley moved and Sister Rose Bast seconded the minutes be accepted.  
Motion Passed**

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The third item of business was the vice presidents reports.  
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Tony Schountz reported for the Western Region. The regional conventions were scheduled. W-2 is April 9<sup>th</sup> hosted by Azusa Pacific University, Epsilon Gamma Chapter. W-1 was scheduled for April 12 hosted by Western State College, Gamma Chapter.

Montana tech had recalled themselves. Tony was going to work with the inactive chapters in the western region.

Fred Brenner reported for the Northeast Region. All district conventions had been scheduled. NE1 will be held April 9 and hosted by Manhattan College, Chi Theta Chapter. NE2 will be held March 26 and hosted by Lincoln University, Rho Psi Chapter. NE3 will be held March 26 and hosted by Westminster College, Alpha Sigma Chapter. NE4 will be held April 9 and hosted by Ohio University, Xi Phi Chapter.

He will contact District Directors to check on inactive chapters. George Boone is retiring from TriBeta. Fred is looking for a District Director for NE-2.

Paul Yokley reported for the Southeast region. The SE-1 and SE-2 District Convention will be held in Huntsville, AL. Steve Coggin the SE-1 District Director will organize the regional convention. The District Directors will contact the inactive chapters.

Felix reported for the Caribbean. Their regional convention is scheduled for March 18-20. Pontifical Catholic University will host the convention.

Sister Rose Bast reported for the NorthCentral Region. The District Conventions are scheduled. NC-1 will be held April 16 and hosted by St Xavier University, Omega Delta Chapter. NC-2 will be held April 2 and hosted by William Jewell College, Lambda Chapter. NC-3 will be held April 29-30 and hosted by Wartburg College, Gamma Lambda Chapter.

She will work with the inactive chapters. University of Wisconsin/Platteville wanted to dissolve. They had two years of inactivity. She wanted to wait. Something may change.

Crosby reported for the Southcentral region. The regional convention was scheduled for April 1-3 at the Oklahoma Biological Field Station. Sam Houston State University, Delta Tau Chapter will host. The new District Director for SC-2 is Dr. Ali Azghani. He wanted to send letters to Northeast State University Psi Alpha, and Trinity University. University of Texas A&M/College Station should be recalled.

**Crosby Jones moved and Gary Wolgamott seconded to recall Texas A&M/College Station Motion Passed.**

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The fourth item of business was the committee reports.  
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Crosby reported for the research grant committee. He wanted everyone to submit questions they get about the grant. He wanted to discuss common questions at the national meeting. He wanted frequently asked questions. Example: If two authors on a research grant win an award, can both receive travel grants. There were 106 research grants were awarded for 2010-2011. Total amount awarded was \$55,003 ranging from \$100- \$1200.

The McClung Award was announced by the national office  
Boylan, James, Florybeth La Valle, and Yourha Kang, "Determination of genetic relationships among populations of *Asclepias tuberosa* (Asclepiadaceae) based on ISSR polymorphisms." BIOS 80(1):25-34, 2009. ..

Fred reported for the Bertholf Award 2009-2010.  
1<sup>st</sup> place was Angelo State University Epsilon Sigma  
2<sup>nd</sup> place was Gannon University Theta Omega  
Outstanding Chapter was College of New Jersey Chi Upsilon

Paul Yokley reported for the Yokley Award. He requested nominations.

Kathy Roush reported for the National Office.

There were 9 universities requesting approval for new chapters.

- Millikin University
- University of Dallas
- Georgia Gwinnett College
- University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
- University of St Francis
- University of Findlay
- Oakwood University
- Houston Baptist University
- South Carolina State University

We now have 560 chapters.

**Ted Michaud moved and Fred Brenner seconded that the nine universities be granted a charter of Beta Beta Beta Biology Honor Society.  
Motion Passed.**

Kathy presented the 2010 convention expenses and suggestions for saving money on the next convention.

Lori Kelman reported for BIOS. There is a new submission procedure for BIOS articles. The new procedure will be posted on the web page. As of January 1, 2011 all article submissions will be through Allen Press' PeerTrack system at bios.edmgr.com.

Lori reported that BIOS needs more reviewers. All reviewers will register as "authors" at bios.edmgr.com (they will be designated reviewers by Lori).

She is preparing an application for inclusion in PubMed. There is no fee. She also has a bid from Allen Press for composition and printing of BIOS.

**Gary Wolgamott moved and Sister Rose Bast seconded to pursue moving BIOS to Allen Press.  
Motion Passed.**

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The fifth item of business was Old/New Business.  
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Gary Wolgamott revised the wording concerning alcohol policy in the TriBeta Student/Faculty Guide. It is on the web page now.

Gary Wolgamott moved we adjourn.  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Roush