Executive Committee Meeting June 30, 2011, 2:30 pm CST by conference call.

The executive committee met by conference call at 2:30 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.

The first item of business was the national convention 2012 report.

Felix sent an updated power point for the National Convention 2012. Verdana Hotel is the hotel choice. It is close to the airport and they have shuttles to and from the airport. Monday the executive committee arrives. Tuesday the executive committee meeting will be held on campus of University of Puerto Rico, Cayey, and lunch with the Chancellor and a tour of University Puerto Rico Cayey campus and dinner. Wednesday students arrive. Oral presentations can be down loaded Wednesday when the students arrive. Poster and Oral presentation can be held at the Univ of Puerto Rico/Carolina. Wednesday evening will be a dinner and speaker. Thursday and Friday will be the field trips. The field trips will be all day. One field trip may be a tour of the island. The bioluminescent field trip will be late after dark return. Meals will be while they are on the field trip. Other field trips will be back to the hotel by 6:00 or 7:00pm. They are working on transportation from the hotel to University of Puerto Rico/Carolina on Saturday. This is about 12 miles or ten minutes on a main highway.

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
       Dry Forest then move to village marine station and bioluminescent bay after 7:00pm
       Wildlife preserve
       Reserve Bioluminescent bay and visitor center kayak after 7:00pm
       Walking field trip or walking trail
       Botanical Garden
       Tour of Old San Juan
   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 or sooner.
       Students should bring their oral presentations on a jump drive to be transferred to
       computers on Wed.
   Sunday May 20, 2012 – depart.

The second item of business was the approval of the minutes of February 11, 2011.

Lori requested a change in the BIOS report in the minutes. The change was “The web site for manuscript submission is bios.edmgr.com” The change was incorporated.
Paul Yokley moved and Sister Rose Bast seconded the minutes be accepted.  
Motion Passed

The third item of business was the vice presidents reports.

Fred Brenner reported for the Northeastern Region.  All district conventions were held. He attended the NE-3 convention.  It was the best attended in many years.  George Boone district director for NE-2 is retiring.  Dr. David Royer from Lincoln University will be the district director for NE-2.

Paul Yokley reported for the Southeastern Region.  SE-1 and SE-2 met jointly in Huntsville, AL. Dr. Steve Coggin district director for SE-1 was the organizer. There were 26 chapters represented and 150 students in attendance. There were 3 oral sessions with 25 oral presentations. There were two poster sessions with 41 poster presentations. The field trip was to the Botanical Gardens. The speaker talked about the Deep Water Horizon oil spill. Next year the meeting will be held in Atlanta, GA.

Felix Velaquez-Soto reported for the Caribbean. The regional convention was held in March. There were 180 delegates in attendance. There were 4 oral sessions and 1 poster session. The Lugo Lugo award to outstanding faculty was presented.

Tony Schountz reported for the Western Region. Western State College hosted the district convention for W-1. There were 35 oral presentations. The Air Force Academy will host next year. W-2 district convention was hosted by Azusa Pacific University. There were 50 presentations. California State University at Monterey Bay will host the district convention next year. The University of Colorado at Denver is inactive. And the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs is inactive.

Sister Rose Bast reported for the NorthCentral region. All regions held a district convention. St Xavier University hosted the NC-1 district convention. There were 60 student delegates in attendance. There was one oral session and two poster sessions.

Crosby Jones reported for the SouthCentral region. SouthCentral 1 and SouthCentral 2 met together for a regional convention. Sam Houston State University Delta Tau organized the regional meeting. There were 151 delegates in attendance. There were 25 papers and 43 posters. Southwestern Oklahoma State University will organize the next meeting. There were three new chapters in the SouthCentral region.

The fourth item of business was the committee reports.

Crosby Jones reported for the research grant committee. He is working on Frequently Asked Questions about the research grant.

Paul Yokley reported for the Yokley Award. Nominated for the Yokley Outstanding Faculty Award was Dr. Christi Magrath from Troy University for 2012.

**Gary Wolgamott moved and Paul Yokley seconded that Christi Magrath be nominated for Yokley Outstanding Faculty Advisor for 2011.**

**Motion Passes**

Nominated for the Yokley Outstanding Service Award for 2011 was Dr. Donald Lovett from College of New Jersey Chi Upsilon Chapter, Dr. Charles Biles from East Central University Psi Delta Chapter, Dr. Debra Martin from St Mary’s University/MN Gamma Epsilon Chapter and Dr. Glorivee Rosario-Perez from University of Puerto Rico /Cayey Zeta Epsilon Chapter.

**Gary Wolgamott moved and Sister Rose Bast seconded that Donald Lovett, Charles Biles, Debra Martin, and Glorivee Rosario-Perez be nominated for the Yokley Outstanding Service Award.**

**Motion Passes.**

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The fifth item of business was the budget.

Sister Rose Bast reported for the budget committee. The items considered were Research Grant funding would remain the same $55,000. The limit of three research grants per research advisor and six research grants per chapter would remain the same. District Convention Host Grant would remain the same $400. All other items of the recommended budget would remain the same. Travel grants for the Brooks and Johnson winners from the west attending the National Convention would be given consideration on the travel cost. A $300 registration fee for the National Convention was proposed. There would be a fee for the field trips.

**Sister Rose Bast moved we approve the budget as presented.**

**Motion Passed.**

Larry Koehler reported for the nominations committee. Larry requested that anyone who plans to resign please let the nominations committee know so they can find a replacement.

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The sixth item of business was the report from the national office.

Kathy Roush reported for the national office. There were two new chapters to be approved

- Gordon College
- Union University

**Larry Koehler moved and Ted Michaud seconded that Union University and Gordon College be granted a charter of Beta Beta Beta Biology Honor Society.**

**Motion Passed.**

Kathy reported that nine new chapters had been installed. There were two universities for the district directors to visit. There are now 566 chapters with University of Colorado/Colorado Springs and University of Akron requesting to dissolve.
The last national convention left the national office with a large deficit. That deficit has been made up. The national office is in good shape for the fall. Interest rates are very low. Office staff is one full time assistant and one part time student.

The seventh item of business was the BIOS report.

Lori Kelman reported for BIOS. Thirteen papers were published last year. She combined 2 issues BIOS 81(3/4). There are still issues with Dartmouth/Sheridan Press. She is considering moving the publishing of BIOS to Allen Press for the March issue. Lori will get a quote from Allen Press. Manuscripts are now submitted by the Allen Track website BIOS Editorial Manager (bios.edmgr.com). Twenty eight manuscripts have been submitted. Lori wants to revamp the editorial board and give people a term to serve. Lori wanted future discussion concerning reducing the number of journals printed, going on line with the journal, and a charge for submitting or publishing a paper in BIOS.

The eighth item of business was new business.

Don Roush wanted everyone to look at the committee members and decide if there need to be changes made.

Paul Yokley moved we adjourn.

Adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Roush