Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of September 7, 2007
By Conference Call 2:00pm CST

The executive committee convened by conference call at 2:00pm CST. President Gary Wolgamott welcomed everyone. By way of roll call those present were President Gary Wolgamott, Vice Presidents Jack Seilheimer, Sister Rose Bast, Crosby Jones, Felix Velazquez-Soto, Past Presidents Ted Michaud, Larry Koehler, District Directors Don Roush, Tony Schountz, Advisor Miriam Kannan, BIOS Editor Lori Kelman, and National Sec/Treasurer Kathy Roush.

The first item of business was the 2008 National Convention Report given by Miriam Kannan.

Miriam Kannan reported on the national convention. Registration forms have been sent to all advisors. The hotel for the executive committee will be the Drawbridge Inn. They will provide free transportation to the campus and the airport. The Riverboat has been booked for the Saturday night banquet. The field trips are arranged. The career fair is arranged.

- May 28 – Students arrive, late registration
- May 29 - Social and career fair in the evening
- May 30 -- Morning are paper presentation, afternoon field trips
- May 31 – Morning posters, afternoon field trips, evening Banquet
- June 1 – Depart

Registration is $240 total includes food and dorm. Field trips are extra.

The second item of business was the approval of the executive committee meeting minutes of January 27, 2007

Larry Koehler moved and Jack Seilheimer seconded the minutes of January 27, 2007 be accepted. Motion Passed.

The third item of business was the vice presidents report.

Don Roush reported for Paul Yokley for the Southeast Region. The SE1 and SE2 district convention will be held in Spartanburg, SC April 16-18, 2008. Host will be Furman University and Wofford University. They will continue to work with inactive chapters giving extra consideration to the chapters in New Orleans.
Felix Velazquez-Soto reported for Puerto Rico. He is still working with inactive chapters. Zeta Gamma is active. The district convention will be in February.

Jack Seilheimer reported for the Western Region. The district convention for W-1 will be at Colorado State University/Pueblo April 4-6. Tony Schountz reported for W-1. They installed a new chapter Montana Tech. They are adding a chapter at the University of Colorado Health and Science Center/Denver. They are seeing some growth in the western region.

Sister Rose Bast reported for the Northcentral Region. The district conventions are set but she did not have the dates or locations. She will get that later. Mike Woller from the University of Wisconsin/Whitewater is the new district director for NC-1.

Crosby Jones reported for the Southcentral Region. The district convention had a web page competition. Some students said their university would not allow a web page. The district convention for 2008 will by April 4-6 and hosted by Angelo State University and University of the Ozarks.

The fourth item of business was the committee reports.

Crosby Jones reported for the Research Grant Committee. Sister Rose reported that some projects were presented at other meetings. They did mention the funding was from TriBeta and that was good exposure at other meetings. But, she hoped this would be the exception and most projects would be presented at the district convention. It was also mentioned that a good paper be put on the web page as an example. Crosby Jones said he would work on that. He also emphasized the allotment of the Research Grants was based on the number of papers submitted. Also, if a student does not present there would be no grants for one year for that chapter. The vice presidents would make the decision if a chapter would be penalized. Everyone agreed that one year was enough punishment for not presenting.

Jack Seilheimer reported for the McClung Award Committee. The criteria for the McClung seem to help. The committee seemed to be in agreement with the ranking of the papers. He felt the quality of papers was improving.

The Yokley Awards was discussed. Several nominations were made.

Rafael Rivera, Interamerican University/San German, Zeta Beta chapter, has been an advisor since 1972 and was nominated for the Yokley Advisor Award for 2007.

Miriam Kannan, Northern Kentucky University, Mu Iota chapter, has been an advisor since 1994, active in district conventions and national conventions was nominated for the Yokley Service Award for 2007.
Felix Velazquez-Soto and Sister Rose Bast were nominated for the Yokley Leadership Award for 2007.
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Sister Rose Bast reported for the budget committee. Gary asked what the final figures were for the Florida Convention. It was determined to be $117,000. The inclusion of the honor cord with the membership materials was discussed. With the increase in the membership fee it was decided to include the honor cord with the membership materials. The regular members currently receive a life membership, a large certificate with a national number, membership card, two decals, a key chain, and two years of BIOS Journal. In addition to these materials they will now receive an honor cord. Associate members will receive a small certificate, membership card, two decals, and one year of BIOS Journal. The research grant funding would remain the same $35,000. All other items remained the same.

**Sister Rose Bast moved and Felix Velazquez-Soto seconded that the budget be accepted. Motion Passed.**

Larry Koehler reported for the nominations committee. He asked that if anyone did not want to continue as an officer to let him know.

The fifth item of business was a report from the National Office.

Kathy Roush reported for the national office. There are five schools for the executive committee to consider for Beta Beta Beta chapters. They are
- Minnesota State University/Mankato
- Montana Tech of the University of Montana
- Blue Mountain College
- William Woods University
- Jarvis Christian College

**Ted Michaud moved and Sister Rose Bast seconded that new chapters were to be formed at all five schools. Motion Passed.**

Seven chapters were installed.
- Drexel University
- Texas A&M International University
- New Jersey Institute of Technology
- University of Colorado Health Science Center/Denver
- Louisiana State University/Shreveport
- Chowan University
- Clemson University
Four schools that have applied for a chapter and need a visit from the district director
  Simmons College  
  Wabash College  
  Sacred Heart University  
  North Greenville University

The constitution needed to be reprinted. Gary wanted the executive committee to discuss the use of the word tribeta or tri-beta and be consistent in the use of this word in the constitution. It was agreed that the abbreviation for Beta Beta Beta when used would be TriBeta.

**Don moved and Jack seconded that in the revision of the national constitution we use the format TriBeta as an abbreviation of Beta Beta Beta. Motion Passed.**

The sixth item of business was BIOS report.

Lori Kelman reported for BIOS Journal. Lori wanted old issues of BIOS for archives online by JStore. This online service might need the bound copies from the national office and that the bound copies of Bios would be returned. All abstracts are on BIO ONE.org. To get all the text you must subscribe. She needs reviewers. She mentioned software for manuscripts that would help with her work. She might be interested in purchasing this software at a future time.

The seventh item of business was old business.

Ted wanted the list of past national conventions corrected. He said that the 1996 and 1998 national conventions were incorrect on the web page.

Gary wanted letters, certificates and plaques for the National Emeriti Members. And that they should be listed in the constitution. He also suggested that the National Emeriti Members and National Honorary Members be listed in BIOS Journal.

**Don Roush moved and Ted Michaud seconded that the meeting adjourn.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Roush