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**Nebraska Educational Office Professionals Association
General Meeting Minutes
Friday, March 31, 2006
East Union
University of Nebraska Lincoln**

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Meeting was called to order by President Deb Ryan at 4:20 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

- 27 Lincoln Public Schools Association of Office Professionals
- 3 Omaha Educational Office Personnel Association
- 22 University of Nebraska Office Personnel Association
- 6 Wayne Educational Office Professionals Association
- 3 Nonaffiliated Professionals

These numbers (included in their association count) are broken down:

- 5 NEOPA Past Presidents
- 3 Retirees

A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES -Linda Luedtke, CEOE, UNOPA

A motion was made by Dee Oltman and seconded by Pam Lindholm to approve the minutes of the Oct. 15, 2005 General Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT -Jorena Larson, LPSAOP

President Ryan reported that the Treasurer's report was in the handout packet. As of February 28, 2006 the checking account has a balance of \$807.26. Receipts since the last report were \$1,141.03 and disbursements were \$644.72. The Certificate of Deposit balance as of December 31, 2005 is \$5,173.82. The operating savings balance is \$3,167.13 and the scholarship savings is \$888.16. This report will be placed on file for audit.

REPORTS FROM DIRECTORS

Membership – Carol Bom, CEOE, NE Department of Education

Carol reported a total of 190 members: 157 active members, 10 active retired members, 3 associate members, 6 retired members, and 14 honorary members. NEOPA welcomes 30 new members.

A drawing for free NEOPA memberships was held with Gail Rosenthal winning a 1 year membership from the NEOP A organization and Jean Pyle winning on a 1 year membership from the conference organizers (UNOPA).

Awards – Mary Guest, CEOE, UNOPA

A drawing was held for scholarships to attend a conference with Nicholette Smith (UNOPA) winning a \$100 award, Cindy Tyrell (LPSAOP) winning \$75, Sandy Riggs (LPSAOP) winning \$50 and LaVay Rinehart (non affiliated) winning \$50. These awards may be used from now through national conference in 2007.

Bylaws – Dee Oltman, CEOE, LPSAOP

Ballots for proposed changes to the Bylaws and Standing Rules were sent via mail in February with a return of 103 ballots. All proposed bylaw changes were approved by the necessary two-thirds vote; all Standing Rule changes were approved by the required majority vote.

Finance – Judy Rastede

The Executive Board voted to approve the proposed budget for the coming 2006-2007 year. A copy of this budget can be found in the handouts.

NAEOP Liaison – Lola Young, CEOE, UNOPA

Lola was congratulated on becoming the new Central Area Director for NAEOP. Lola had everyone stand that was planning on attending the national conference in Dallas, Texas, July 17-21, 2006. If you have questions regarding the conference please see Lola or Carol Born.

Newsletter (NEON) – Judy Anderson, UNOPA

Judy will prepare the annual report which will include final committee reports, a report on the Spring Conference (and pictures) as well as include a synopsis of each workshop and conference. She will need final reports from all directors by May 1st.

PSP – Kathy Janda, CEOE, LPSAOP

Kathy presented engraved Nebraska shaped acrylic paperweights to the new PSP recipients. They were Joyce Ahlberg, Susan Bartlett, Mary Guest, Linda Hendrix, Louise Kolle, Rhonda Meyer, Michelle Lemke, Gretchen Walker, Margy Wagner, Connie Shafer and Angela Rushman.

Publicity – Chris Cary, CEOE, UNOPA

Chris reported that a new membership brochure was working and administrators across the state are sending their people to our conferences and workshops.

Scholarship – Virginia Backstrom, WEOPA

The 2006 NEOPA Student Scholarship winner, Laura Hays of Omaha and Millard Public Schools, will attend the evening banquet and be recognized. She plans to double major in Art and Business at UNO.

Ways and Means – Lisa Morehouse, CEOE, LPSAOP

Lisa reported that the auction was a great success raising a total of \$2400. There were 66 live auction items and 8 silent raffle items donated. She thanked Nancy Harter, her right hand in this fund raiser, and all the other members of her committee for all their hard work collecting items, setting them up for the auction and helping during the auction.

OLD BUSINESS

President Deb Ryan thanked everyone for making this conference a success and she thanked her board for all they had accomplished during her presidency.

NEW BUSINESS

The Central Area Conference will be held in Indianapolis, IN, April 20-22, 2006. Lola Young, Lisa Morehouse, Deb Ryan, Debbie Hendricks, and Diane Wasser will be attending.

The NAEOP National Conference will be held in Dallas, TX, July 17-21, 2006.

WEOPA will be hosting the fall conference at Wayne State in Oct. 2006.


A state basket of goodies will be needed for Central Area and National Conferences. Please take items you wish to donate to Deb.


Membership renewals will be sent out in July. The membership year currently runs from July 1- June 30.

ADJOURNMENT

Diane Wasser moved that the meeting be adjourned and Sandy Watmore seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Respectively Submitted,


Linda Luedtke, CEOE
Secretary


Deb Ryan CEOE
2005-2006 President