



Georgia State Council
Seventy-Third Annual Convention
May 19-21, 2023
Little Ocmulgee State Park
Helena, Georgia
May 20, 2023
“First General Assembly”
CORRECTED MINUTES

The Georgia State Council Convention was held in Helena, Georgia at Little Ocmulgee State Park on May 19 through May 21, 2023.

First Vice President, Susan Garner called all to seating, and welcomed all to the meeting. Chaplain, Kaye Genovese gave the invocation. Pat Griffin conducted the Opening Ceremony with the “Presentation of the Flags.”

First Vice President, Susan Garner then presented the 2022-2023 Georgia State Council President, Wanda Price. President Wanda then welcomed the members, declaring the 73rd GSC Annual Convention in session at 9:00 am. Chaplain, Kaye Genovese gave the Opening Thought from Richard Branson, “There is no greater thing you can do with your life and your work than follow your passions in a way that serves the world.” President Wanda asked all in attendance to join in the Opening Ritual.

President Wanda introduced Susan Knudson, General Convention Chair, and asked the members of Delta Iota, hosting chapter to stand. Susan Knudson welcomed all to the convention.

President Wanda then proceeded with introductions and presentations. First, President Wanda introduced the IC and SERC Representatives, Brenda Myers 2022-2023 IC First Vice President/President Elect from Fairborn, Ohio and Theda Hall 2022-2023 SERC President from Springdale, Arkansas.

President Wanda then presented the Executive Board, Appointed Board, and the Gavelettes. Recording Secretary, Ruth Ann Edge took roll as they were introduced.

Executive Board	Present/Absent
President, Wanda Price	P
First Vice President, Susan Garner	P
Second Vice President, Susan Knudson	P
Recording Secretary, Ruth Ann Edge	P
Corresponding Secretary, Romanda Talley	P
Treasurer, Sharon Smoot	P
Parliamentarian, Sherrie Bordeaux	P
Jr. Past President, Vicki Warren	P

Appointed Board	Present/Absent
Administrative Assistant, Monette Horton	P

Administrative Assistant, Mary Wynn	P
Advisor, Frances Lanier	P
Archives/ Historian, Gail Marchant	P
Association of the Arts Chair, Venetia Lewallen	P
Auditor, Angela Coleman	A
Awards Chairman, Gail Marchant	P
Chaplain, Kaye Genovese	P
Contracts Chairman, Gennie Gilvin	P
Contracts Committee, Susan Knudson	P
Contracts Committee, Karen Smith	P
Credentials Chairman, Linda Long	P
Disaster Fund Chairman, Vicki Warren	P
Easterseals Chairman, Sherry Presley	P
Educational Chairman, Shirley Humphries	P
Finance Chairman, Janie Kozal	P
Flag Ceremony, Pat Griffin	P
Foundation State Counselor, Frances Jennings	P
Gavelette President, Frances Jennings	P
Hope for Heroes Chairman, Debbie Lamp'l	P
Installing Officer, Gail Marchant	P
Leadership Coordinator, Wanda Price	P
Newsletter, Gennie Gilvin	P
Philanthropic Chairman, Connie Presley	P
Photographer, Sherry Presley	P
Scrapbook Editor, Sherry Presley	P
Scrapbook Editor, Gennie Gilvin	P
SERC Coordinator, Kim New	P
Social Co-Chairman, Shirley Humphries	P
Social Co-Chairman, Marsha Stroud	P
St. Jude Coordinator, Connie Presley	P
Web Master, Gennie Gilvin	P
Yearbook Chairman, Karen Smith	P
2023 Local Convention Chairman, Susan Knudson	P

Committees Present/Absent

Budget Chairman, Sharon Smoot	P
Budget Committee, Susan Garner	P
Budget Committee, Connie Presley	P
Bylaws Chairman, Sherrie Bordeaux	P
Bylaws Committee, Frances Lanier	P
Bylaws Committee, Angela Coleman	A
Membership, Susan Garner	P
Membership, Susan Knudson	P
Minutes Chairman, Ruth Ann Edge	P

Gavelettes Present/Absent

1979-80	Angela Coleman	A
1980-81	Romanda Talley	P
1984-85	Kaye Genovese	P

1985-86	Pat Griffin	P
1986-87	Marsha Stroud	P
1994-95	Linda Long	P
1995-96	Susan Knudson	P
2000-01	Shirley Humphries	P
2003-04	Joy Lynn Tynes	P
2005-06	Gail Gilvin	P
2006-07	Karen Smith	P
2008-09	Connie Presley	P
2009-10	Susan McVey	P
2010-11	Gennie Gilvin	P
2011-12	Donna Moore	A
2012-13	Sherrie Bordeaux	P
2013-14	Gail Marchant	P
2014-15	Sherry Presley	P
2015-16	Frances Lanier	P
2016-17	Stormy Bowie	P
2017-18	Frances Jennings	P
2019-20	Kim New	P
2020-21	Kim New	P
2021-22	Vicki Warren	P

Invitational Past State Presidents Present/Absent

1981-82	Luanne Langmo (MI)	P
2001-02	Ruth Ann Edge (AL)	P

President Wanda, then recognized Past IC Presidents, Pat Griffin and Kaye Genovese. Next President Wanda recognized Past SERC Presidents from Georgia, Romanda Talley and Joy Lynn Tynes. President Wanda then recognized the SERC Appointed Officers: Kim New, Association of the Arts and Bylaws Committee, Susan Garner, Association of the Arts; Joy Lynn Tynes, Hotel Contracts Committee, Romanda Talley and Susan Knudson 2023 SERC Conference Co-Chairs.

President Wanda then recognized the Georgia State Council Special Members for 2022-2023:

- “Woman of the Year” Janie Kozel
- “Pledge of the Year” Payton Lewallen
- “Chapter of the Year” Delta Iota

President Wanda continued with recognition of Pledges in attendance, those attending a State Convention for the first time, MALs and guests in attendance. There were no pledges in attendance; IC Representative Brenda Myers and SERC Representative Theda Hall attending a GSC Convention for the first time; no MALs were in attendance, and IC Representative Brenda Myers and SERC Representative Theda Hall were the only guests in attendance.

The first order of business was the Rules Governing a Georgia State Council Meeting. Parliamentarian, Sherrie Bordeaux dispensed with the reading of the Rules of a Georgia State Council Meeting stating that they were printed on page 19 of the Convention Program. The Rules Governing State Council Meetings were then read.

1. Obtaining the floor:

Before a member can make a motion or address the assembly in debate, it is necessary that he/she obtain the floor, that is, they must rise after the floor has been yielded, and address the presiding officer by official title, state his/her name and chapter prior to addressing the assembly.

2. Motions and Resolutions:

After obtaining the floor a motion is made by saying: "I move..." and then state the proposed action. If a motion is lengthy, it must be written and handed to the President/Chair.

3. Second Motions:

A second to a motion must come from a member of a chapter other than that which proposed the motion. To second a motion, the member must rise; state your name and chapter and say, "I second the motion."

4. Stating the Question:

When a motion has been made and seconded, it is the duty of the President/Chair, unless the motion has been ruled out of order, to immediately state the question that is before the assembly for its consideration and action.

5. Debate:

A delegate is limited to speaking twice on one motion, the second speech being in the nature of a rebuttal or new information on the motion. Delegate's first speech will be limited to two minutes, debate to ten minutes.

6. Time:

All Reports and speeches will be limited to three (3) minutes unless previously cleared with the Chair.

The next order of business was the Chapter Roll Call by Recording Secretary, Ruth Ann Edge.

Chapter Roll Call

Chapter	President	Present/# On Absent	Total Roll	Voting Roll	Present	Delegates Present
Alpha Beta	Susan Garner	P	11	7	4	
Alpha Delta	Marisa Medlin	A	6	2	2	
Alpha Nu	Connie Presley	P	3	3	2	
Beta Kappa	Linda Long	P	3	2	2	
Beta Sigma	Kaye Kinnebrew	A	-	-	0	
Beta Zeta,	Joy Lynn Tynes	P	1	1	1	
Delta Iota	Susan Knudson	P	8	8	2	
Delta Nu	Mary Cooper	P	2	2	2	
Delta Omega	Sharon Smoot	P	3	2	2	
Gamma Omega	Theresa McGugan	P	5	2	2	
Gamma Sigma	Shirley Humphries	P	6	4	2	
Kappa Rho	Cathy Quick	A	8	6	2	
Sigma Chi	Sherry Pressley	P	3	2	2	

The next order of business was the Convention Registration report by Karen Smith Registration Chair. Karen reported 12 of 13 chapters represented, 41 members, 0 MALs, 3 men, 1 youth, 3 guests for a total of 48 with a total of 76 room nights and 28 rooms reserved.

The next order of business was the Credentials report by Linda Long, Credentials Chair. Linda reported 12 of 13 chapters represented for a total of 25 chapter votes, 21 Gavelette votes, and 1 State President's vote for a total of 47 votes.

The next order of business was the reading of the minutes by Ruth Ann Edge, Recording Secretary. Ruth Ann acknowledged the minutes from the Mid-year Council Meeting were reviewed and approved by the Minutes Committee, and posted on the Georgia State Council Website. Ruth Ann moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes. President Wanda stated the motion and called for a vote. The motion carried.

The next order of business was Correspondence by Romanda Talley, Corresponding Secretary. There was one letter from Denise Holdaway, IC President.

The next order of business was the Rules of Convention by Sherrie Bordeaux, Parliamentarian.

Sherrie stated that the Rules of Convention (Article XIII Section 1-12, Georgia State Council Bylaws) are printed on page 19 of the Convention Program.

Article XIII- Rules of Convention

Section 1. Each chapter in good financial standing shall receive two (2) votes for each ten (10) Jewel Pin members of the chapter, or fraction thereof, whose state dues have been paid.

Section 2. The official ballot will list not more than three (3) names for each elective office. The ballot shall be handed each Past State President and the Past State Director in attendance by the Credentials Committee, after Credentials have been cleared.

Section 3. Balloting may not start until the First General Assembly has been recessed for the purpose of voting. Ballot to be dropped into sealed ballot box, at the conclusion of the recess. The ballots are to be handed in by the Chapter President or representative.

Section 4. Three tellers shall be named by the President to count ballots. A statement of the election returns shall be turned over to the President immediately following final count and become a part of the records.

Section 5. All ballots must be filed with the Outgoing President for a period of ninety (90) days.

Section 6. Nominations will be received from the floor for elective offices; candidates so nominated must conform to Article VIII, Sections 2 and 3.

Section 7. Installation of officers shall take place at the Convention. The installing officer shall be chosen by the Incoming President, and she must be an active Past State President, or a current or past Southeastern Regional Council or International Council Officer.

Section 8. Elections shall be determined by a plurality of delegates or their alternative, if the voting delegates are not present.

Section 9. Voting on all business shall be done by voting delegates or their alternates, if the voting delegates are not present.

Section 10. Even though she cannot vote, any non-voting delegate present at a state meeting may make motions and enter discussion.

Section 11. The President of the Georgia State Council may cast the one (1) vote she is entitled to at the same time the balloting is going on. In the event of a tie, a second ballot shall be taken and balloting shall continue to such time as a decision is made.

Section 12. Each Past President of the Georgia State Council, who is in good financial standing and in attendance shall be given one (1) vote.

The next order of business was the report of the Nominating Committee by Committee Chair, Susan Garner. Susan reported that the Nominating Committee has reviewed and approved the candidates for the five (5) elective positions of the State Executive Board. There is only one candidate running in each elected position and the list of candidates and their qualifications were emailed to the Chapter Presidents on 4/18/23, so they could discuss the information provided within their chapter.

President Wanda asked each candidate to go to the front of the room as she called their name and proposed office. The ballot was as follows:

Susan Garner, Alpha Beta, President
Susan Knudson, Delta Iota, First Vice President
Ruth Ann Edge, Delta Iota, Second Vice President
Venetia Lewallen, Alpha Beta, Recording Secretary
Gail Marchant, Alpha Beta, Treasurer
Susan McVey, Sigma Chi, Parliamentarian
Kim New, Alpha Beta, Corresponding Secretary
Wanda Price Kappa Rho, Jr. Past President

Shirley Humphries, Gamma Sigma, moved that the 2023-2024 Slate of Officers be accepted by acclamation. Debbie Lamp'l, Alpha Beta 2nd the motion. President Wanda called for discussion, hearing none she called for the vote and the motion carried.

The next order of business was the Proposed Bylaw changes presented by Sherrie Bordeaux, Parliamentarian. Sherrie stated the proposed bylaws start on page 20 of the convention booklet.

Article IV-Meeting, Section 1 now reads:

There shall be three (3) meetings annually: Fall, Mid-Year and the Annual Convention. The Fall meeting will be held in September, the Mid-Year will be held in February, and the Annual Convention will be held in April or May.

Change by adding:

There shall be (3) meetings annually: Fall, Mid-Year and the Annual convention. The Fall meeting will be held in September, the Mid-Year will be held in February and the Annual Convention will be held in April or May. Beginning in the year 2025, the Annual Convention will be a two-day event beginning on Friday afternoon and concluding after the banquet on Saturday evening.

Reason: Securing hotel is becoming quite difficult. We are no longer in a bargaining situation. Our membership is at an all-time low and we can no longer ask for “incentives” to help us in the cost of hosting convention. Also, some hotels are charging for meeting space, and in some instances table cloths and napkins. Food has sky rocketed and leaving off breakfast on Sunday morning, plus the meeting space, would be a big help in the expenses of convention.

Sherrie moved we accept Proposed Bylaw Article IV – Meeting, Section 1.

President Wanda called for the vote. After much discussion the motion was defeated.

Since Proposed Bylaw Article IV – Meetings, Section 1 was defeated Standing Rule # 17 wasn't voted on.

~~Article XI Standing Committee, Section 1(e) 8~~ **Article VIII – Officers, Section 6 (e) 8** now reads: At the State Convention, the outgoing Treasurer shall write a check in the amount of the cost for the newly installed President’s expenses at IC Convention as voted in the new budget. Delete this bylaw as it is no longer necessary as the expenses are now included in the current year’s budget.

Reason: The 2017-2018 budget doubled up on the IC Convention costs to include the registration fee and PICP luncheon for the incoming president. In other words, that year’s budget paid for the registration fee and PICP luncheon for both the current state president as well as the incoming state president. This was done because IC’s registration deadline was always before our annual State Convention and the incoming president either had to (1) pay out-of-pocket and wait to get reimbursed when the new budget was approved in May of that year; or (2) the State had to pay a late registration fee.

Now, the current budget for each year reflects line items for the incoming president’s IC Convention registration fee and PICP luncheon, as well as, the transportation expense (that was updated in the 2019-2020 budget). The only IC Convention related expense that is carried to the next year’s budget is the lodging because that expense is not actually incurred until July and is after our annual state convention.

Sherrie Bordeaux, Parliamentarian moved that proposed ~~Article XI – Standing Committee Section 1 (e) 8~~. **Article VIII-Officers, Section 6 (e) 8** be deleted.

President Wanda stated a motion has been made to delete ~~Article XI – Standing Committee, Section 1 (e) 8~~. **Article VIII-Officers, Section 6 (e) 8**. Coming from a committee, it does not require a second. President Wanda called for any discussion. Since there was no discussion President Wanda called for the vote. Motion carried.

Standing Rule #10 C now reads:

A fundraiser shall be held at the Annual Convention. All proceeds of which shall go into the State Treasury. Duty of the State Finance Director.

Change to read:

A limit of two (2) fundraisers shall be held at the Annual Convention. All other fundraisers for the State Treasury shall be held virtually, Fundraisers to be held in the months of July, October, November and January. Duty of the State Finance Director.

Reason(s):

1. Since our membership is down, it has become increasingly harder to raise all the needed monies for our State Treasury at one time.
2. This will allow all chapters to be able to participate in raising monies for the State Treasury, even those chapters with no one attending Convention.
3. The responsibility of raising monies, besides State Dues, for our State Treasury is now left up to only those attending State Convention and this puts a strain on those that attend convention.

Sherrie Bordeaux moved that Standing Rule #10C change be accepted.

President Wanda stated that coming from a committee it does not require a second. President Wanda called for discussion. There were several discussions about the wording.

Karen Smith, Delta Iota, made a motion that the wording be changed to: A limit of (2) fund- raisers shall be held at the Annual Convention. All other fundraisers for the State Treasury shall be held at the discretion of the Finance Director and President.

President Wanda called for discussion on the amended wording for Standing Rule #10C. Since there was no further discussion President Wanda called for the vote. Motion carried.

Standing Rule #10 A, Fundraisers now reads:

Individual chapters or councils shall in no way solicit for, or bring with them, any finance or philanthropic project to Leadership, Seminar – State Council Meeting or State Convention unless approved in advance by the Executive Board.

Reword to read: Individual chapters, Elected GSC Officers or Appointed GSC Chairmen shall in no way solicit for, or bring with them any finance or philanthropic project to Leadership/Fall Council, Mid-Year Council Meeting, or State Convention. The only exception will be the hosting Chapter(s) at Fall and Mid-Year will be permitted to sponsor a local charity. All monies/money value from said project will be reported to the State Philanthropic Chairman to be included in her report.

Reasons:

1. Members at State Council Meetings are being inundated with Philanthropic Projects at Fall Board and Mid-Year. This puts a financial strain on the members in attendance.
2. Per our Bylaws/Standing Rules, Chairmen for all Philanthropy are to encourage participation in projects, not to solicit monies.
3. Permitting the local host chapter(s) to have a Philanthropic Project encourages recognition of ESA and our commitment to helping the less fortunate in the area in which we are visiting.
4. We no longer have councils.
5. The host chapter(s) for convention have their finance projects at Leadership/Fall Council and Mid-Year Meeting to help offset their convention expenses.
6. State Convention is said date to raise monies for the State Finance, since our dues do not cover the budgeted amount needed in our budget.

If Standing Rule #10 A, Fundraisers, is approved, then Standing Rule #10D, Fundraisers, will be omitted. Which states:

D. Exempt from Executive Board approval are the ESA Foundation, ESA Disaster Fund, State Finance Chair and convention host. Notifying the Executive Board of fundraisers by these entities would be a courtesy to avoid duplicate efforts. (revised 2-2015)

Sherrie Bordeaux, Parliamentarian moved that Standing Rule #10 A. fundraisers be accepted,

President Wanda stated that a motion has been made to accept the change to Standing Rule #10 A. Coming from a Committee, it does not require a second. She then called for discussion.

Susan Garner, Alpha Beta, made a motion to amend Standing Rule # 10 A, to reword to read: Individual Members instead of Individual Chapters.

Gennie Gilvin, Alpha Nu, moved to call for a vote on the original change to Standing Rule #10 A, Fundraisers. President Wanda called for the vote and the Original amendment to Standing Rule #10 A, Fundraisers. Motion was defeated

President Wanda then called for a vote on the Amended wording of Standing Rule 10A, Fundraisers which replaces the wording Individual Chapters with Individual Members.

Motion Carried

President Wanda asked if there was any further unfinished business. There was no further unfinished business.

The next order of business was the proposed budget for 2023-2024 by Sharon Smoot, Treasurer. Sharon reported that the proposed budget was printed in the convention program on page 26. Sharon stated that the Proposed Budget printed on page 26 of the convention program was not the final edition of the 2023-2024 Proposed Budget. Sharon reported on changes on the proposed budget from the printed proposed budget on page 26. Line item E-14a is changed to read \$150 to reflect the cost of President GA State May'24 Convention Registration. Change is from \$120 printed in budget on page 26. Line item E-17 wording changed to Fall Leadership Meeting Coordinator. Change is to clarify who is entitled to the \$100. Line 1-2 changed from \$4,184.00 to \$4,214.00 to reflect change in line item E-14a raise in GA President registration for May'24 convention. Total Expected Income is \$6,194.00 and Total Budgeted Expense is \$6,194.00

Sharon moved that the 2023-2024 Proposed Budget be accepted as presented.

President Wanda stated that a motion had been made to accept the 2023-2024 Proposed Budget. Coming from a Committee, it does not require a second. President Wanda called for any discussion? Hearing none she called for the vote. Motion carried.

The next order of business was the International Council Ballot. Corresponding Secretary, Romanda Talley presented the International Council Ballot: President, Brenda Myers, Ohio; First Vice President, Lynda Edwards, Alabama; Second Vice President, Celeste Webb, Illinois; Recording Secretary, Patricia Gale, Arizona, Brenda Fields, Missouri; Treasurer, Angela Butenschoen, Missouri; Parliamentarian, Jacque Cantrel, Oklahoma, Brenda Campbell, Indiana; Workshop Coordinator, Margaret Kramer, Oklahoma, Sandra Edwards, Florida; Corresponding Secretary, Judy Grefer, Ohio

Corresponding Secretary, Romanda moved the Georgia State Council, ESA delegates in attendance at IC Convention in Grapevine , TX go uninstructed for voting at IC Convention. Sherrie Bordeaux Beta Kappa 2nd the motion.

President Wanda stated a motion had been made for the Georgia State Council delegates in attendance at IC Convention in Grapevine, TX go uninstructed for voting at IC Convention. She called for any discussion hearing none she called for the vote. Motion Carried.

The next order of business President Wanda presented Brenda Myers, IC First Vice President/President Elect to deliver the IC message. Brenda gave suggestions on how to meet and get new members. Brenda gave information on the workshops and events that will take place at the IC Convention. Brenda gave her background as a Military Child, and told why she is devoted to Hope for Heroes.

The next order of business was the Membership report by First Vice President, Susan Garner. Susan thanked the membership for sending her to IC Leadership. Susan reported there are 13 Chapters in good standing, 63 Jewel Pin Members, 3 Pledges, 0 MALs, 0 new chapters for a total membership of 66.

Susan stated that since May of 2022, we have had 6 new members but sadly, we have also lost 9 members for different reasons. We need to work on membership. Susan shared that we can go to the ESA Website for ideas, and she stated that she had placed a copy of the following materials in the Chapter packets:

ESA Chapter Goals, ESA Membership Survey, Building Stronger Chapters: a guide to increasing member engagement.

The next order of business was the Gavelette report by Frances Jennings. Frances stated that there were 21 Gavelettes in attendance for the luncheon. Frances reported that Susan McVey and Ginnie Gilvin will be the Co-Chairs for the 2025 GSC Convention. They have just begun their search for hotels, and would appreciate any suggestions from the membership. They have a proposal from Amicalola State Park and Lodge in Dawsonville, GA. The dates are May 16-18, 2025. The room rate is \$169 a night with a total of 60 room nights.

President Wanda said the business of the First General Assembly was closed. She announced the times and locations for the Awards Luncheon, the Installation Rehearsal, the Incoming Board Meeting, Installation and Breakfast on Sunday morning.

President Wanda declared the First General Assembly recessed at 11:45 .am.

“Second General Assembly”

Following Breakfast, the “Celebration of Life” and the Service Pin Ceremony, President Wanda called the Second General Assembly to order at 9:14 am. Chaplain, Kaye Genovese thanked Kim New, Vicki Warren, and Wanda Price for the opportunity to serve as Chaplain. Kaye then gave the Opening Thought from Princess Diana. “Carry out a random act of kindness with no expectation of reward safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you.”

The first order of business was the roll call by Recording Secretary, Ruth Ann Edge. Ruth Ann asked if there were any changes from roll call taken at the First General Assembly. There were no changes.

President Wanda introduced Theda Hall, SERC President. Theda’s message gave her background. She thanked Romanda for her hospitality and congratulated Wanda on her year as President. She then congratulated Incoming President Susan Garner and her Board.

Theda said she had done research on Georgia, and entertained the membership with funny things about Georgia

She stated that human trafficking is her main cause. She gave us the hand signal to watch for if someone is trying to ask for help if they are a victim of human trafficking.

The next order of business was the Treasurer’s Statement given by Treasurer, Sharon Smoot. Balance on hand as of January 31, 2023 Checking Account #x2788 \$13,143.36 Income \$135.00, Disbursements (\$1,897.59) for a total of \$11,380.77 as of May 1, 2023

Business Savings Account #x8173 \$6,347.29 as of April 30, 2023

Candidates Fund Account #x8165 \$3,723.29 as of April 30, 2023

Total GSC Accounts \$21,451.35 as of May 1, 2023.

Sharon stated that the State Treasurer Bond is due for renewal October 2023. She reminded the Chapters that next year they will need to send their Chapter Rosters along with their Chapter dues checks. Keep your rosters up to date by printing a copy and reviewing it every 3 – 4 months. Changes can be made by contacting Tracy Swanson, at ESA Headquarters 2580 Harmony Road, Suite 301-11, Ft. Collins, Colorado 80528. Sharon thanked her Budget Committee: Pat Griffin, Alpha Delta and Susan Garner, Alpha Beta.

The next order of business was the Finance Report by Janie Kozal. Janie reported the Online Auctions were:

October 10, 2022	\$210.00
December 19, 2022	\$175.00
February 5, 2023	\$135.00
April 13, 2023	<u>\$285.00</u>
Total	\$805.00

Chapter Special Projects

Alpha Beta	\$250.00
Kappa Rho	\$200.00
Gamma Zeta	\$100.00
Alpha NU	<u>\$ 40.00</u>
Total	\$590.00

Personal Special Projects

Gail Marchant, Alpha Beta	\$ 50.00
Venetia Lewallen, Alpha Beta	\$ 25.00
Susan Garner, Alpha Beta	\$ 25.00
Wanda Price, Kappa Rho	\$ 25.00
Janie Kozal, Kappa Rho	\$ 50.00
Romanda Talley, Kappa Rho	<u>\$ 25.00</u>
Total	\$200.00

Total Special Projects \$790.00 + Online Auctions \$805.00 = \$1,595.00

50/50 Project	\$1,015.00
Less 50% to Winner	\$ 507.50
Total for 50/50	\$ 507.50
Total for all Finance Projects for 2022-2023	\$2,102.50

The next order of business was the Hope for Heroes Report by Debbie Lamp'l, Hope for Heroes Chair. Debbie reported that six (6) chapters participated, hours 903.5, monies \$13,300.00, money value \$20,190.00.

The next order of business was the Philanthropic Report by Connie Presley, Philanthropic Chair. Twelve (12) chapters participated; Total hours 7,646, Total monies \$419,507.00, Total donated value \$44,612.00, Total donated miles 16,000.34. Total miles value \$480,119.34.

The next order of business was the 2024 Convention Report given by Susan McVey, Convention co-chair. Susan reported the convention will be held on May 17-19, 2024, at Unicoi State Park and Lodge, Helen, GA. Registration fee is \$150, Registration deadline is April 16, 2024. Room rate is \$159 + tax & lodge fee. Parking is free.

The next order of business was the presentation of gifts to our IC and SERC Representatives. President Wanda thanked them for coming and helping to make great memories.

The next order of business was the Retiring President's Message. Wanda said she had composed memories in ESA and had Ginnie Gilvin show a video that represented her year as President. Wanda said she is ready to take the next step and start building memories as a Gavelette.

The next order of business was the presentation of the gavel to Incoming President, Susan Garner and the raising and lowering of the gavels. Frances Lanier lowered Wanda's Gavel, and Kim New raised Susan's Gavel.

President Wanda introduced Susan Garner as the 2023 – 2024 GSC State President. President Susan stated that she had given her Incoming President's message on Saturday night. President Susan then introduced her 2023-2024 Executive Board.

The next order of business was the installation of Wanda Price, Jr. Past State President into the Gavelettes. Romanda gave each Gavelette a small Christmas Tree to decorate and give to Wanda.

President Wanda, asked if there were any announcements. There were no announcements.

Kaye Genovese, Chaplain gave the Closing Thought. Kaye gave one of her favorite thoughts from Marilyn Monroe. "We are all of us stars, and we deserve to twinkle."

The next order of business was the retiring of the flags by Pat Griffin.

All members then stood for the reciting of the Closing Ritual. Following the Closing Ritual, President Wanda declared the Second General Assembly adjourned at 10:22 am.

Respectfully submitted by
Ruth Ann Edge,
2022-2023 GSC Recording Secretary

[Corrections made June 9, 2023](#)

[Sherrie Bordeaux, Parliamentarian, 2022-2023](#)

2022-2023 GSC Award Winners

Chapter Annual Philanthropic:

(Most Monies per Member): 3rd-Delta Iota, 2nd -Gamma Omega 1st -Alpha NU

(Most Hours per Member): 3rd -Alpha NU, 2nd - Delta NU, 1st -Delta Iota

(Philanthropic Summary): 3rd Delta Iota, 2nd - Alpha Beta, 1st - Kappa Rho

Willene Viglione Candlestick: Gail Marchant

St. Jude 1st Time Event: Alpha Delta, "Heart of Caring Dinner & Auction (\$6,000.)

St. Jude Spirit Award in Memory of Pat Genovese: Alpha Beta (\$8,881.)

Easterseals:

(Most Monies per Member): 3rd-Delta Omega (\$39.66), 2nd Beta Kappa (\$66.66), 1st Gamma Omega (\$85.)

(Most Hours per Member) 3rd -Delta Omega (2), 2nd-Gamma Omega (3),
1st-Gamma Sigma (4)

Hope for Heroes:

(Most hours per Member): 3rd-Delta Omega, 2nd-Alpha Beta, 1st-Gamma Omega

ESA Foundation: (Joyce Robyn ESA Foundation Turn Around Fund):

(3rd-Kappa Rho, 2nd-Beta Sigma, 1st-Alpha Delta

(Rosie Huggins ESA Foundation Award):

3rd-Kappa Rho, 2nd-Alpha Delta, 1st-Alpha Beta

Educational: (The Gold Seal Merit): 3rd-Gamma Omega, 2nd- Alpha Delta, 3rd-Delta Omega

(The Gold Link): Alpha Beta, Delta Iota, Delta Omega, Gamma Omega, Kappa Rho

Angela Coleman Rushing Award: 3rd-Kappa Rho, 2nd-Gamma Omega, 1st-Alpha Beta

Chapter with Most New Pledges: Tied for 1st place, Delta Omega & Gamma Omega

Willow Gray Rushing Award: Tied for 1st place, Delta Omega & Gamma Omega

What ESA Means to Me: (Member with Less than 1 year),N/A

(Member with More than 1 year), Cathy Quick

Disaster Fund:

(Most Monies per Member): 3rd-Alpha Beta/12 (\$42.16), 2nd-Kapph Rho/9 (\$43.33), 1st-Delta Iota/10 (\$43.90)

Overall Total \$1,736

11 chapters participated

St. Jude Certificates of Recognition: Alpha Beta, Alpha Delta, Alpha NU, Beta Kappa, Beta Sigma,

Delta Iota, Delta NU, Delta Omega, Gamma Omega, Kappa Rho,
Sigma, Chi


Division I – Visual Arts	1 st Place	Sherry Presley (Pink Pouring)
Division II- Photography	1 st Place	Debbie Lamp'1 (The Caribbean Dragon)
	2 nd Place	Romanda Talley (Dancing Turtles)
	3 rd Place	Romanda Talley (Wheee)
Division III Painted Art		No Entries
Division IV – Mixed Media	1 st Place	Frances Jennings (Tree of Life)
	2 nd Place	Sherry Presley (Button Tree)
	3 rd Place	Sherry Presley (Blue & Gold)
Division V – Needlework	1 st Place	Frances Lanier (Doilies & Coasters)
Division VI – Quilting		No Entries
Division VII – Holiday	1 st Place	Wanda Price (Cotton Tail)
	2 nd Place	Kim New (Gnome Christmas)
	3 rd Place	Kim New (Gnome Fall)
Division VIII – Presidential	1 st Place	Sherry Presley (Wanda's Dream)
Best in Show	1st Place	Frances Jennings (Tree of Life)

Years Service Pin Recipients

50 Year Pin
Sherrie Bordeaux
Luanne Langmo
Linda Long

40 Year Pin
Susan Knudson

10 Year Pin
Monette Horton

GEORGIA STATE COUNCIL 2023-2024 Budget Proposal Federal Tax ID: #84-1436308		 EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA	PROPOSED 2023-24
ACCT	DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
INCOME June 2023-May 2024			
I-1	State Dues - 66 @ \$30 per member		\$ 1,980.00
I-2	State Finance Projects 2023-2024		\$ 4,214.00
I-3	Other Income (ex. Convention, Yearbook sales, etc.)		\$ -
TOTAL EXPECTED INCOME			\$ 6,194.00
EXPENSES June 2023-May 2024			
E-1a	Awards (certificate printing, etc.)		\$ 70.00
E-1b	Member and Pledge of the Year certificate frame \$20 ea		\$ 40.00
E-1c	Association of the Arts (certificate printing, etc.)		\$ 40.00
E-2	International Dues		\$ 45.00
E-2b	ESA Foundation Dues		\$ 40.00
E-2c	SERC Dues	Due May each year	\$ 15.00
E-3	President		\$ 550.00
E-4	First Vice President		\$ 80.00
E-5	Second Vice President		\$ 20.00
E-6	Recording Secretary		\$ 20.00
E-7a	Treasurer		\$ 10.00
E-7b	Treasurer's Bond Fee - 3 year prepaid, October 2023-26		\$ 300.00
E-8	Parliamentarian		\$ 10.00
E-9	Chaplain (includes Memorial service + printing cost)		\$ 100.00
E-9a	Georgia State Council Endowment Donation		\$ 100.00
E-10	Courtesies (gifts) to IC & SERC Reps. (\$25 each) at May Convention		\$ 50.00
E-11	2023-24 Yearbook / GA member information detail		\$ 10.00
E-12	State Memory Book for outgoing President		\$ 50.00
E-13a	2024-25 President IC Leadership Workshop Registration (Feb'24)		\$ 350.00
E-13b	2024-25 President IC Leadership Workshop hotel	Half room x3 nights	\$ 198.00
E-13c	2024-25 President IC Leadership Incoming President Dinner		\$ 40.00
E-13d	2024-25 President IC Leadership Transportation		\$ 540.00
E-14a	2023-24 President GA State May'24 Convention Registration		\$ 150.00
E-14b	Retiring 2023-24 President Gift		\$ 75.00
E-14c	2024-25 President Gavel Guard	ordered by 2024-25 Incoming President	\$ 27.00
E-14d	2023-24 Incoming President GSC Convention Installation		\$ 125.00
E-15a	2024-25 President IC Convention Registration - Overland, KS		\$ 275.00
E-15b	2024-25 President IC Convention PICP Luncheon - Overland, KS		\$ 45.00
E-15c	2024-25 President IC Convention Transportation - Overland, KS	Drive miles or Air fare	\$ 650.00
E-15d	2023-24 President IC Convention Lodging+Shuttles - Grapevine, TX	Half room x5 nights/free shuttles TX	\$ 478.00
E-16a	2023-24 President SERC Registration - Savannah-Pooler, GA		\$ 147.00
E-16b	2023-24 President SERC Transportation - Savannah/Pooler, GA	drive: 548miles x65.5cts	\$ 359.00
E-16c	2023-24 President SERC Lodging-Savannah/Pooler, GA	Half room \$189+tx ea x2night	\$ 219.00
E-17	2023-24 Fall Leadership Meeting Coordinator		\$ 100.00
E-18	IC/SERC President Candidates Fund (\$100 ea)		\$ 200.00
E-19	Website renewal every 3yrs 2023-26 + annual Domain name renewal		\$ 396.00
E-20	St.Jude Senior Coordinator (certificate printing, etc)		\$ 70.00
E-21	IC/SERC Candidates Ads (\$50 each)		\$ 100.00
E-22	Miscellaneous costs as determined by Ex Board (ex: deceased past State President donation to St.Jude)		\$ 100.00
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES			\$ 6,194.00
<i>* NOTE: \$300 BOND + \$300 WEBSITE every 3yrs/both due 2023-24 budget year + annual Domain name cost</i>			
GEORGIA BANK ACCOUNTS			
Regions Checking Account (Balance as of 4-30-23)			\$ 10,462.68
E-21	Regions Candidate Fund Account x8165 (Balance as of 4-30-23)		\$ 3,723.29
Regions Savings Account x8173 (Balance as of 4-30-23)			\$ 6,347.29