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Omega Chapter

**Omega Executive Board Meeting, August 14, 2013
United Methodist Church, Canandaigua, NY**

Members present: Mary Cherniss, Laura Hill, Lynda John, Della Ludwig, Lois Ludwig, Sally Maxson, Sharyn Powell, June Renner, Kerry Smartt, Karen Varricchio

Members absent: F. Carol Ramsey, Deb Trombino, Jennifer Bay, Gail Burr, Judy Kiehle, Mary King, Adelle Miller-Wadsworth, Kay Nemecek, Peg Snyder, Katja Stevens, Linda Upchurch, Jan Wright

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Della Ludwig, president at 9:17.

Approval of Minutes from January 12, 2012 Executive Board Meeting: Minutes were reviewed. Sally Maxson made a motion to approve the minutes. It was seconded by Sharyn Powell. The January 12, 2013 Executive Board Meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Kerry Smartt reported for Linda Upchurch

Balance on 5/31/13	\$10,255.18	Checking: \$4,001.10
Total Receipts	\$860.75	Savings: \$1,713.16
Total Disbursements	\$5,402.17	Total: \$5,714.26*
Balance on 6/30/13	\$5713.76	

*\$0.50 discrepancy

Committee Reports:

Auction: Della Ludwig for Kay Nemecek: Our auction will follow the same format this year as last year's. The final amount raised last year was \$2831.00. There was discussion about offering "gift certificates" for goods and services (ex: baking pies, knitting socks, crocheting afghans, making jewelry). This would allow members to choose specific colors and designs for their items.

Finance Committee: Della Ludwig for Judy Kiehle. The proposed budget was discussed. Members noted that the president's expense line had been cut. It was recommended that the president should submit expenses as it isn't fair to future presidents to keep cutting that line. This will be taken under advisement by the current president. We met all of our expenses for the past year. The Shirley Crosby fund may be a place we can look for support for the Seminar for Early-Career Educators.

Membership: Kerry Smartt reported that there was discussion about rethinking our initiation time line and frequency. There was also discussion about the pressures we put on members.

Unfinished Business:

Ad Hoc Committee for Record Retentions: There are a couple of members working on this ongoing process.

Ad Hoc Steering Committee for Seminar For Early Career Educators: Potential topics for presentation include Managing paperwork and time, Professionalism, Communication styles/strategies, National Board Certification, Social media, and Support system (RTI, CSE, music, art department).

New Business:

There was some conversation about the audit.

Review of Grants-in-Aid: There was conversation about how the process has worked in the past and possible changes for the upcoming year.

Travel Stipends: Della reported that there are stipends available for CTAUN: Promoting Peace through Education January 31, 2013.

Next Executive Board Meeting: January 12, 2014 at 9:30

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Varricchio (took minutes in Katja's absence)
Katja Stevens (typed minutes for Karen)