

NSO Executive Board Meeting

Monday, June 22, 2026



Agenda – ZOOM 10:00-12:00

1. Welcome – Pat Goeppinger (Gamma) Called to order 10:10 AM
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Penny Thompson (Gamma) The Pledge of Allegiance was not said.
3. Inspiration - **“Once you learn to read, you will be forever free.” – Frederick Douglass**
4. Attendance: Karen Laskowski (Gamma) - 14 members in attendance
Alpha 1 Beta 0 Delta 2 Gamma 5 Kappa 1 Lambda 1
Nu 1 Omicron 1 Theta 1 Xi 1
5. Parliamentary Procedures: Judy Silker (Nu) – When making a motion, raise your hand, state your name and chapter. State the motion then restate so the Secretary can write it down.
6. Approval of 2025 Executive Board Meeting Minutes: Joyce King (Gamma), Irene Chachas (Beta) and Judy Silker (Nu) – Minutes were approved as posted on the state website.
7. Approval of 2026 Executive Board Meeting: Need 3 members – Joyce King (Gamma), Judy Silker (Nu), and Linda Scribner (Lambda)
8. Treasurer’s Report: Maxine Emm (Delta) – Maxine shared this report verbally.
9. Committee Reports:
 - a. Membership and Necrology – Cheryl Anderson (Delta)
152 members: 141 active, 11 reserved. 11 members dropped including 3 members who passed.
 - b. The Nevadagram – Donna Harper (Gamma) No report
 - c. State Historian – Candy Rooney (Delta) All information will be stored digitally.
 - d. State Communication and Website – Susan Neal (Kappa) – Susan is making sure the website is current.
 - e. EEC – Judy Merz (Gamma) – Judy has requested that International create a committee/task force to help with membership since their outreach extends further than ours as a state organization.
 - State Apple Award – Cheryl Anderson (Delta)
 - Rose of Recognition – Judy Merz (Gamma)
 - Arts and Humanities – Judy Silker (Nu) – Proposed holding an art show during the 2027 convention.

- World Fellowship – Susan Capistrant (Theta) – No report
 - US Forum – Brenda Downs (Delta) – Pat Goeppinger stated there will be changes affecting US Forum. Brenda Downs will be seeking members to join a committee to go to Carson City. There will be more information on Thursday, June 25.
 - Annie Webb Blanton State Scholarship – Leta Rabenstine (Xi) – No applicants.
 - Martha Schulz Doctorial Scholarship – Cheryl Anderson (Delta) – Maxine Emm (Delta) will be hosting a discussion during convention.
- Judy Silker asked if there are attorneys available through International to help with questions. Judy Merz stated there are no attorneys available through International. Pat Goeppinger spoke with an attorney in Las Vegas and Maxine Emm spoke with an attorney near her.
- Emergency Fund – Marlene Killian (Omicron) – Marlene shared that Beta, Gamma, Lambda, and Omicron had sent funds.

10. State Business

a. Dissolution Vote on Epsilon, Beta and Kappa Chapters.

Joyce King (Gamma) – “I move for the dissolution of Epsilon chapter and its merger with Gamma chapter.” Second by Judy Merz (Gamma). Motion passed unanimously.

Joyce King (Gamma) – “I move for the dissolution of Beta chapter.” Second by Judy Merz (Gamma). Motion passed unanimously.

Joyce King (Gamma) – “I move for the dissolution of Kappa chapter.” Second by Judy Merz (Gamma). After further discussion, the motion was amended. Joyce King (Gamma) – “I move for the dissolution of Kappa chapter upon receipt of Kappa’s paperwork.” Second by Judy Merz (Gamma) The amended motion pass unanimously.

Judy Merz (Gamma) suggested looking into creating a virtual chapter. Pat Goeppinger will work on putting that suggestion in motion.

b. Status of State Bylaws and Standing Rules Revisions – Marlene Killian (Omicron) and Judy Silker (Nu) – Marlene suggested chapters hold off making any changes because International will likely make changes.

c. 2027 State Executive Board Meeting – ZOOM – one week before 2027 NSO Convention in Reno.

d. 2027 NSO Convention in Reno – Looking at Saturday, April 17, 2027, Saturday, April 24, 2027, or Saturday, May 1, 2027. Maxine Emm (Delta) is checking with venue. A planning committee will need to be formed. Volunteers: Maxine, Pat, Cheryl, Karen, others

e. NSO (Nevada State Organization) Conventions:

i. Held on odd years

ii. Not to be a Zoom meeting.

iii. Due to member locations – meetings will be held mostly around the Reno area.

f. State Executive Board meetings will be held by ZOOM twice a year to handle state business. Next meeting is Saturday, September 26, 2026 – 10:00-12:00 via ZOOM.

g. Chapters dissolving – Epsilon, Beta and Kappa – Pat Goeppinger (Gamma)

11. New Business

a. International Convention - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: July 4 – 8, 2028

b. 2027 Conferences – unknown

DKG International 2029 Convention, TBD, Austin, Texas, 100 year anniversary.

c. Anything to be discussed?

12. Questions and Concerns

13. Meeting adjourned – 11:16 AM

Stay Cool!