

# Alpha Chi Sigma Fraternity Record of the 51<sup>st</sup> Biennial Conclave

## Supreme Council

Jennifer M. Showerman, Z '92 – Grand Master Alchemist  
Randy D. Weinstein, AK '90 – Grand Collegiate Alchemist  
Mistti M. Ritter, ΓΘ '92 – Grand Professional Alchemist  
Mark N. Evaniak, ΒΣ '80 – Grand Master of Ceremonies

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The Grand Chapter of Alpha Chi Sigma Fraternity assembled in Conclave at the 51<sup>st</sup> Biennial Conclave of the Fraternity in the room W290 of the Chemistry Building at University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa for the seven Grand Chapter Sessions held:

July 25, 2012	Session 1, 8:02 AM	82 members present
July 25, 2012	Session 2, 1:00 PM	82 members present
July 26, 2012	Session 3, 8:02 AM	80 members present
July 26, 2012	Session 4, 2:00 PM	82 members present
July 27, 2012	Session 5, 8:00 AM	81 members present
July 27, 2012	Session 6, 1:29 PM	80 members present
July 28, 2012	Session 7, 8:04 AM	81 members present.

Grand Master Alchemist Showerman presided. Each Grand Chapter Session was opened and closed using the Official Ritual and roll was taken. The actions of the Grand Chapter are recorded in order of motion number rather than in the temporal sequence of the actions. Eighty-two delegates were registered for conclave. Motions to amend the Constitution required a 3/4 affirmative vote of the delegates registered for Conclave, which was 62. Motions to amend the Bylaws required an affirmative vote by a 2/3 majority of the members present at a given Conclave session. Resolutions required a simple majority to pass.

### Motion 1

Made by Jennifer Showerman, GMA      Second by Randy Weinstein, GCA  
Resolved, That the Grand Chapter adopt the Standing Rules for the 51st Biennial Conclave as distributed.  
Requires a 2/3rd majority vote to pass.  
First reading: 7/25/12      Consideration date: 7/25/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

### Motion 2

Made by Randy Weinstein, GCA      Second by Mark Evaniak, GMC  
Resolved, That the representative of the Colonies present be accredited as Conclave delegates and thus be accorded the right to vote with delegate privileges. Requires and 2/3rd majority vote to pass  
First reading: 7/25/12      Consideration date: 7/25/12  
Voice Vote: Withdrawn

### Motion 3

Made by Jennifer Showerman, GMA      Second by Mistti Ritter, GPA  
Resolved, That children three years old and younger be allowed into Grand Chapter Sessions during the 51st Biennial Conclave if they are accompanied by a member parent. Requires a majority vote to pass.  
First reading: 7/25/12      Consideration date: 7/26/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 4

Made by Mark Evaniak, GMC      Second by Randy Weinstein, GCA  
Resolved, That the Grand Chapter concur with Supreme Council Proposition 4387 retaining the Pledge Fee at \$40 and the Lifetime Membership Fee at \$145. Requires a majority vote to pass.  
First reading: 7/25/12      Consideration date: 7/25/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 5

Made by Jennifer Showerman, GMA      Second by Randy Weinstein, GCA  
Resolved, That the revised constitution and bylaws presented be accepted as the new Constitution and Bylaws of Alpha Chi Sigma.  
First reading: 7/25/12      Consideration date: 7/26/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 6

Made by Stephan Ingham, Gamma Omega      Second by Tim Deschaines, PR  
Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter, on behalf of the Gamma Omega chapter of Widner University, bestow its utmost appreciation to the following individuals for assisting the members of Gamma Omega in attaining chapter status in time for the 51st Biennial Conclave Dr. Andrea Martin (Gamma Omega Adviser), ACDC Helen Webster, Delaware Valley Professional Chapter, members of the Supreme Council for the last two biennia, the members of Gamma Omicron of Lehigh University, and the staff of the National Office.  
First reading: 7/25/12      Consideration date: 7/25/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 7

Made by John Becker, PR      Second by Mistti Ritter, GPA  
Bylaws Article 3 Section 2.g      Page 26, Line(s) 26 - 27  
Replace "within 90 days of the first solicitation" with "by November 30"  
First reading: 7/26/12      Consideration date: 7/27/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 8

Made by John Becker, PR      Second by Melissa Ward, NDC  
Bylaws Article 3 Section 2.e      Page 26, Line(s) 20 - 21  
Delete "through the official journal"  
First reading: 7/26/12      Consideration date: 7/27/12  
Voice Vote: Passed

Motion 9

Made by Robert Duff, PR      Second by Calvin Bond, NWDC  
Bylaws Article 3 Section G      Page 29, Line(s) 49  
Insert: 3. Second Object - The Grand Chapter shall have a Second Object Committee to encourage, explore, support, regularly assess and oversee the fraternity-wide impact of programs related to the Second Object. The committee shall consist of four active professional members and a representative from the most recent collegiate chapter recipient of the best professional activities award.  
First reading: 7/26/12      Consideration date: 7/28/12  
Voice Vote: Failed

Motion 10

Made by Sarah Pickett, CDC      Second by Jenna McClanahan, Gamma Theta  
Be it resolved that the Grand Recorder is requested to publish and maintain lists on the National Website of the previous winners of the chapter awards presented each Conclave. (Stewart, Jonte, Hutchison, Schrenk, and Sedlak Awards)  
First reading: 7/26/12      Consideration date: 7/26/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 11

Made by Calvin Bond, NWDC Second by Sean Pawlowski, EDC

The Supreme Council is directed to appoint a committee to prepare Constitution and Bylaws amendments to:

- Require that all amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws must be submitted by June 1 of an even numbered year to be considered at Conclave.
- Remove Constitution and Bylaws as a Conclave committee.
- Establish a standing Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

These amendments will be submitted to the Grand Chapter for a vote by January 15, 2013.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Failed

Motion 12

Made by Robert Duff, PR Second by Kristen VonGruben, StL Pro

Bylaws Article 2 Section b Page 23, Line(s) 17

replace: 1. Active Professional members residing in the same locality may request designation as a "Professional Group" from the Grand Professional Alchemist. Upon approval, the Grand Recorder is authorized to list the Professional Group in the Fraternity directory.

In section 2., sub-section a.: delete: "must have been" and insert between "Group" and "for" "must have eight or more active Professional members meeting".

First reading: 7/27/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Out of Order

Motion 13

Made by Robert Duff, PR Second by Kristen VonGruben, StL Pro

Constitution Article II Section D,3 Page 9, Line(s) 40

In Article II, Section D, subsection 3, page 9, line 40 replace: "of the District Counselors in their relations with the Professional chapters" with "Professional Representatives".

In Article V, Section D, subsection 6, page 14, line 22 replace: "District Counselor" with "Grand Professional Alchemist".

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Withdrawn

Motion 14

Made by Robert Duff, PR Second by Kristen VonGruben, StL Pro

Constitution Article V Section D Page 14, Line(s) 20

replace 4. with "4. Aid in the transition of Collegiate members to the Professional Branch."

First reading: 7/27/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 15

Made by Sandra Lukaszewski-Rose, PR Second by Claudia Brodtkin, ECDC

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter directs the Supreme Council to form a committee to evaluate the ratio of collegiate to professional representation in the Grand Chapter paying particular attention to the expectation of expansion in the professional branch. The committee should include a Professional Representative, a District Counselor, a professional chapter member and a collegiate chapter member. The committee should report back to the Grand Chapter before the 52nd Biennial Conclave. The report should also be presented to the Grand Chapter at the first Grand Chapter session of conclave.

First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 16

Made by Tim Deschaines, PR Second by Christina Cortright, DC

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter extends greetings to the members of the Order of Altotus who were unable to attend the 51st biennial conclave.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 17

Made by Timothy O. Deschaines, PR Second by Christina Cortright, DC

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter expresses its thanks to the National Office Staff for all of their hard work during the 51st Biennium.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 18

Made by Tim Deschaines, PR Second by John Becker, PR

Be it resolved, that the Grand Chapter extends its thanks to the city of Iowa City and the University of Iowa for providing a gracious and welcoming background for a successful Conclave.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 19

Made by Tim Deschaines, PR Second by Christina Cortright, DC

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter extends its thanks to the Faculty and Staff of the University of Iowa for providing facilities and staff to promote a successful Conclave.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 20

Made by Jennifer Showerman, GMA Second by Randy Weinstein, GCA

The Grand Chapter's thoughts are with Howie Jonte, OA and his family.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 21

Made by Robert Duff, PR Second by Jeff Moore, PR

Be it resolved:

That Alpha Chi Sigma establish an outreach program to serve as a structured program targeting students at the primary and secondary education levels. The suggested outline of the program is detailed in the attached proposal.

A committee shall be established to suggest and maintain a detailed curriculum for the program, to be used nationwide.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Passed

Motion 22

Made by Jonathan Wenzel, PR Second by Melissa Ward, NDC

Bylaws Article III Section A, 2h Page 25, Line(s) 33-34

Replace with: The Professional Representatives shall elect a chair before the end of January on a yearly basis.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/27/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 23

Made by Stephen Ingham, Gamma Omega Second by Robert Duff, PR

Be it resolved:

That the audience age limitations be removed from the Wyvern Pin requirements to ensure all chemical outreach programs are recognized.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Passed

Motion 24

Made by Robert Duff, PR Second by Helen Webster, ACDC

Be it resolved that the mandatory Scouting requirement be removed from the Wyvern Pin Program due to the non-uniform availability of opportunities to work with scouts.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Passed

Motion 25

Made by Robert Duff, PR Second by Cassy Watson, PR

Be It Resolved that the Supreme Council seriously consider shifting forums and district and committee meetings to earlier in the conclave schedule thereby more efficiently using legislative time.

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/26/12

Voice Vote: Failed

Motion 26

Made by Jennifer Showerman, GMA Second by Christy Gesell, NCDC

Bylaws Article 3 Section A, 2a Page 25, Line(s) 12

By-law 3, Section A, 2a: Strike out "equal" and insert at that point "be no greater than"

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed

Motion 27

Made by Derek Marin, SWDC Second by Ethan Murnahan, GLDC

Constitution Article II Section A Page 21, Line(s) 44,51

For II.A.1.f, Line 44 insert collegiate between ""The" and "Chapters".

For II.A.1.g, Line 51, replace "subordinate" with "collegiate".

For II.A.1.h, Line 1, insert collegiate between "the" and "chapters".

For II.A.1.h, Line 2, insert collegiate between "Any" and "chapter".

First reading: 7/26/12 Consideration date: 27-Jul

Voice Vote: Fail

Motion 28

Made by Kristen VonGruben, StL Pro Second by Robert Duff, PR

Constitution Article VII Section B Page 15, Line(s) 34-40

Replace with "Each Professional Representative shall:

1. Serve as a member of the Grand Chapter, including attending conclaves, providing representation for professional branch members at-large.

2. Aid in the transition of Collegiate members to the Professional Branch.

3. Engage in fraternal activities for the good of the order.

4. Report to the Grand Chapter and the Grand Professional Alchemist when requested."

First reading: 7/27/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 29

Made by Kristen VonGruben, StL Pro      Second by Robert Duff, PR  
Bylaws Article III Section B      Page 26, Line(s) 10

Remove "3. The duties of the Professional Representatives shall be:

- a. To serve as members of the Grand Chapter.
- b. To serve as members of Grand Chapter committees.
- c. To submit, as members of the Professional Representative Committee, an annual report evaluating the progress of Alpha Chi Sigma and make appropriate recommendations for consideration by the Grand Chapter.
- d. To constitute, together with the members of the Order of Altotus, the General Advisory Committee, which shall formulate long-term goals to further the Objects of Alpha Chi Sigma, for consideration by the Grand Chapter.
- e. To submit, as individuals, an annual report of activities to the Grand Professional Alchemist."

First reading: 7/27/12      Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 30

Made by Kristen VonGruben, StL Pro      Second by Robert Duff, PR  
Bylaws Article 3 Section G,3      Page 29, Line(s) 49

Insert: 3. General Advisory – The Grand Chapter shall have a General Advisory Committee which shall formulate long-term goals to further the Objects of Alpha Chi Sigma, for consideration by the Grand Chapter. The committee shall include the President of each active Professional Chapter (or during conclave, each accredited professional chapter delegate), Professional Representatives, and the members of the Order of Altotus.

First reading: 7/27/12      Consideration date: 7/28/12

Division: Fail      For: 33 Against: 42

Motion 31

Made by Mark Evaniak, GMC      Second by Jonathan Wenzel, PR  
Bylaws Article 7 Section H.3      Page 36, Line(s) 14

Change to read "A fine not to exceed \$50 shall be levied against any chapter or member of the Fraternity responsible for the loss of a copy of the ritual. The fine for the loss of any section of the ritual shall be \$5."

First reading: 7/26/12      Consideration date: 7/27/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 32

Made by Kristen VonGruben, St. Loius Pro      Second by Tim Deschaines, PR

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter extends its congratulations to the following Alpha Chi Sigma

Scholars: 2011 Nichole Lorenz, Alpha Sigma; 2012 Jacob Wagner, Gamma.

First reading: 7/27/12      Consideration date: 7/27/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 33

Made by Tim Deschaines, PR      Second by John Becker, PR

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter pause for a moment of silence in remembrance of our fraternal dead, to consider the way they enriched our lives and that of Alpha Chi Sigma. In particular we would like to remember: Albert C. Holler, Beta; William N. Lipscomb, Alpha Gamma; Robert E. Lyle, Beta Eta; Ray. P Mariella, Upsilon; Edward P. Schneider, Beta Delta. We shall sorely miss those who were elevated to the Chapter Eternal during the past Biennium.

First reading: 7/27/12      Consideration date: 7/27/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 34

Made by Daniel Znidersic, SCDC Second by Christina Grigoropoulos-Cortright, SEDC  
Bylaws Article II Section B.1, B.2.a Page 22, Line(s) 17, 29  
II.B.1 Replace "Eight" with "Five"  
II.B.2.a Following "months" insert "and consist of at least eight(8) active members."  
First reading: 7/27/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 35

Made by Jennifer Showerman, GMA Second by Ethan Murnahan, GLDC  
Resolved that the number of Professional Representatives for the 52nd Biennium be set at 8.  
First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12  
Voice Vote: Passed

Motion 36

Made by Robert John Duff, PR Second by Calvin Bond, NWDC  
Second Object- The Grand Chapter shall have a Second Object Committee to encourage, explore, support, oversee and regularly assess the fraternity-wide impact of programs related to the second object. The committee shall consist of four active professional members and a representative from the most recent collegiate chapter recipient of the best professional activities award.  
First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12  
Voice Vote: Passed

Motion 37

Made by Katie Blome, Gamma Omicron Second by Tim Deschaines, PR  
Be it resolved that the grand chapter offer its thanks and congratulations to the following brothers for outstanding performances as cast members for the conclave initiation at the 51st Biennial Conclave: Melissa Ward, Conley Flynn, Troy Strom, James Sevenich, Jordan Krull, Phil Pagano, Alison Uhl, Ashley Angell, Heather DeBey, and Ani Jordan.  
First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 38

Made by Tim Deschaines, PR Second by John Becker, PR  
Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter offers its thanks and congratulations to the professional brothers for their outstanding performances as cast and as support members for the PIC at the 51st Biennial Conclave, in particular Susan Shuping, Epsilon, PR; Chuck Carroll, Zeta, Indy Pro; Sarah Pickett, Gamma Theta; Dan Znidersic, Alpha Epsilon, SCDC; Derek Marin, Gamma Zeta; and Jennifer Shapiro, Beta Psi.  
First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 39

Made by Tim Deschaines, PR Second by John Becker, PR  
Be it resolved that the Grand chapter extends its thanks and congratulations to the Alpha Theta Chapter for their outstanding work on the honor initiation.  
First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 40

Made by Dan Znidersic, SCDC Second by Tim Deschaines, PR  
Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter extends its congratulations to the Newest Brothers:  
Dr. Ned Bowden, Honor Initiate  
Dr. Mark Arnold, Conclave Initiate  
First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12  
Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 41

Made by Katie Blome, Gamma Omicron Second by Tim Deschaines, PR

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter offers its thanks and congratulations to the following Brothers for their outstanding stage support to the 51st Biennial Conclave Initiation: Caitlin Forrester, Andrea Grafton, Ben Weidemann, Ryan Peters, and Rebecca Walters.

First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 42

Made by Jennifer Showerman, GMA Second by Randy Weinstein, GCA

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter stands for a moment of reflection to consider the many examples of Brotherhood demonstrated by J. Haworth "Howie" Jonte, BB 1942, OA, who passed away July 27, 2012.

First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 43

Made by Tim Deschaines, PR Second by John Becker, PR

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter extends its thanks and congratulations to the 2012 Alpha Chi Sigma Hall of Fame inductees:

Dr. Paul K. Kuroda, Alpha Sigma, 1996

Dr. Harry B. Gray, Upsilon, 1958

First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 44

Made by Katie Blome, Gamma Omicron Second by Tim Deschaines, PR

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter extends its thanks and congratulations to the 2012 Kuebler Award recipient: Colonel William A. Myers, Order of Altotus.

First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 45

Made by Tim Deschaines, PR Second by Katie Blome, Gamma Omicron

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter extends its thanks to the University of Iowa for hosting the 2012 John R. Kuebler Awards Banquet and the 2012 Biennial Conclave.

First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 46

Made by Katie Blome, Gamma Omicron Second by Melissa Ward, NDC

The Grand Chapter congratulates Brother R. David Hayes, Alpha Sigma 1966, chapter advisor to the Alpha Sigma Chapter, on his selection as the recipient of the 2012 Ronald T. Pflaum Outstanding Chapter Advisor Award.

First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 47

Made by Tim Deschaines, PR Second by Katie Blome, Gamma Omicron

Be it resolved that the members of the Grand Chapter express their gratitude and utmost thanks to the Alpha Theta organizers of the 2012 Biennial conclave.

First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously



Motion 48

Made by Katie Blome, Gamma Omicron Second by Tim Deschaines, PR

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter extends its thanks and congratulations to Alpha Theta Chapter for a very successful 51st Biennial Conclave.

First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

Motion 49

Made by Tim Deschaines, PR Second by Melissa Ward, NDC

Be it resolved that the Grand Chapter extends its heartfelt and brotherly thanks to GMA Jen Showerman for her years of service to the Fraternity and as a member of the Supreme Council.

First reading: 7/28/12 Consideration date: 7/28/12

Voice Vote: Passed Unanimously

**Election of Grand Chapter Officers**

The Nominations Committee put forth the following candidates for office: Randy Weinstein for GMA, Mark Evaniak and Stephanie Bates for GPA, Helen Webster and Mistti Ritter for GCA, and Jonathan Wenzel for GMC. Jeffrey L. Moore was nominated for GPA prior to conclave by PR Helen Webster, and Kip Nalley of Washington Professional Chapter. No nominations were made from the floor. The order of elections after the GMA was determined by the number of people running for each. The order of elections was GMA, GPA, GCA, and GMC.

Randy Weinstein was elected by acclamation to the position of GMA.

In the election for GPA, Mark Evaniak was declared the winner. 80 ballots were cast and the following votes were recorded:

Stephanie Bates:	1
Mark Evaniak:	51
Jeffrey Moore:	28

In the election for GCA, Helen Webster was declared the winner. 81 ballots were cast and the following votes were recorded.

Mistti Ritter:	22
Helen Webster:	59

In the election for GMC, Jonathan Wenzel was declared the winner by acclamation. A coin flip determined the order of seniority between Helen Webster and Jonathan Wenzel with Jonathan Wenzel winning the coin flip.

**52<sup>nd</sup> Biennium Supreme Council**

**(in order of Seniority)**

Randy D. Weinstein, AK '90 – Grand Master Alchemist  
 Mark N. Evaniak, BΣ '80 – Grand Professional Alchemist  
 Jonathan E. Wenzel, Δ '96 – Grand Master of Ceremonies  
 Helen M. M. Webster, AP '94 – Grand Collegiate Alchemist

Respectfully Submitted,



Patrick J. Johanns, Aθ '81  
Grand Recorder