

ALPHA CHI SIGMA FRATERNITY

Minutes of the Supreme Council Meeting Iowa City, Iowa July 24, 2012

The Supreme Council convened in the 3rd floor lounge of Daum Hall on the University of Iowa campus in Iowa City, Iowa. Present were GMA Jennifer M. Showerman, Z '92; GCA Randy Weinstein, AK '90; GPA Mistti Ritter ΓΘ '92; GMC Mark Evaniak ΒΣ '80; GR Patrick J. Johanns, AΘ '81; and AGR Marena Humphress. Present for all or parts of the meeting were PR Jonathan Wenzel Δ '96, Stephanie Bates, AP '95; ACDC Helen Webster, AP '94; Pete Ritter, ΓΘ '89; and Harold Cowan, I '89.

GMA Showerman called the meeting to order at 9:20 AM. She welcomed all members who were present and asked members of the council to review their activities.

1. The GR reported that signed conflict of interest statements were on file for the members of the Supreme Council, the Grand Recorder, and the Assistant Grand Recorder. There were no conflicts of interest with Fraternity business indicated for this meeting.

GMA Showerman

2. Constitution and Bylaws Committee – Proposed revisions will be submitted to the Grand Chapter for consideration.
3. Foundation Actions- Solicitation was sent out April 24th.
4. Video History Project – An editor will be hired to prepare short clips that we can post on the web. GR Johanns will work with the editor on this project.
5. Atlanta Pro Group – The lone member of the group would like to be removed from the back of the Hexagon. Alternatively, we can check on changing the name by others who might be interested in this group.

GCA Weinstein

6. Expulsions – Two members were expelled for non-payment of lifetime membership fees.

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Maker: Grand Collegiate Alchemist Randy Weinstein

The following persons listed below be expelled from the Fraternity for non-payment of mandatory pledge and/or life time membership fees. There is no need for a further attempt to contact as all have stated they desire to be expelled.

Janki Patel, Alpha Epsilon 2012, \$185

Logan Thornsberry, Gamma Psi 2011, \$80

For: 4 Against: 0 Result: Passed Unanimously

7. DCs – Two DCs are not seeking to continue in their roles.
8. Expansion – Going well!
 - a. Alcorn has caught up on their paperwork but is not attending conclave. The GCA

recommends that they either go ahead with their petition this fall or discontinue the process of becoming a chapter.

- b. There have been over 30 contacts regarding expansion. The efforts at a number of universities were discussed.

9. Chapters at Risk

- a. Beta is on probation for hazing but is on track to come back with a plan developed by the University.
- b. Beta Phi has turned in a 2011 chapter registry but did not send in a delegate registration. There is deep concern regarding the viability of this chapter.
- c. Gamma Pi – They have not turned in paperwork since 2009. Inactivation of this chapter will be discussed after Conclave.
- d. Gamma Eta – Ran into problems sending a delegate. This is the second conclave they have missed. A fine will be considered.

10. Redistricting – There are 7 collegiate chapters in the East Central District. Splitting the district in two will be considered.

11. Collegiate Chapters – The possibility of revising the structure of the best chapter awards was discussed.

GPA Ritter

12. Committees –

- a. The PR ratio committee has prepared a report to present to the Grand Chapter.
- b. IYC – Wyvern chapter awards for IYC 2011 will be handed out to 7 chapters. The balloon kits will be arriving later today and handed out at conclave

13. Hall of Fame – Harry Gray will be unable to attend the 51st Biennial Conclave, so Brent Collins will accept his award and read his prepared statement. Howie Jonte will be accepting the HoF award for Paul K. Kuroda.

14. PRs – The PR reports in the binders are those who are currently serving.

15. Professional Chapters – All seem to be doing generally well. LA Pro is a little behind but it looks like they will be getting caught up.

16. Society Meetings – Going well. More collegiates are attending. Jonathan Wenzel volunteered to help out with the AICHE meeting.

17. Solicitation report – No changes to report from January meeting.

GMC Evaniak

18. Scholar Committee – All is well.

19. Ritual Committee – Some Green chemistry changes to the ritual will be presented at conclave.

20. Sourcebook – The changes in publication plans to an annual issue has saved a significant amount of money.

21. Installations – Two installations will be planned.

GR Johanns

22. Web Page – A slideshow will be added to the front page. I plan to submit a plan upgrading the website to accept monthly donations in 2013.

23. National Office – Little to report.

24. SC Policy Manual – The manual will be distributed to all elected SC members at the end of Conclave.
25. Fraternity Jewelry – A policy needs to be developed with regard to jewelry donations and items in our lockbox.
26. Chrome and Blue – We will try to highlight the professional branch this year with features on Pro chapter and group each month.
27. Budget – The budget was reviewed. There are no major areas of concern.

Other items

28. Conclave schedule details were discussed.

From 9:30 to 9:46 am, Brad Hulse joined us by phone to discuss the performance of our portfolio and changing our asset allocation.

1. The markets got off to a good start this year but the second quarter the equity markets fell back a bit. Overall the markets are higher than they were 12 months ago.
2. Growth expectations at Morgan Stanley are lowered to 2% in the USA and 3% globally. The recession in Europe is a concern for markets around the world.
3. Recovery from the recession will likely slower than previous recessions.
4. The Fraternity accounts are up 4.64% net annually over the last 10 years.
5. The current allocation of investments has worked well for our goals and no significant changes are anticipated.
6. The Fraternity has received a very good rate of return for the level of risk.

There being no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted,



Patrick Johanns, AΘ 1981
Grand Recorder