

ALPHA CHI SIGMA FRATERNITY

**Minutes of the Supreme Council Meeting
Indianapolis, Indiana
August 2, 2013**

The Supreme Council convened in the Order of Altotus Memorial Library at the James F. Miller National Office Building in Indianapolis, Indiana. Present were GMA Randy Weinstein, AK '90; GCA Helen Webster, AP '94; GPA Mark Evaniak ΒΣ '80; GMC Jonathan Wenzel Δ '96; GR Patrick J. Johanns, AΘ '81; AGR Marena Humphress; and Teresa Clark. Present for all or parts of the meeting were PR John Becker, I '86; SWDC Derek Marin, GZ '98; GLDC Merryn Cole, AΘ '03; EDC Sean Pawlowski, ΓΥ '06; ACDC Katie Riley, AP '04; SEDC Matt Schnippert, ΓΒ '03; Expansion Director Jen Schnippert, ΓΒ '03; CCDC Nick Garcia, E '06; NEDC Kerri Federico, M '08; and NDC Melissa Ward, AΘ '98.

GMA Weinstein called the meeting to order at 8:31 AM. He 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 interested with Fraternity business indicated for this meeting.

GMA Weinstein

2. Conclave Motion 15: Committee to look at PR numbers – Several ad hoc committees have been looking into issues related to the duties, responsibilities, and numbers needed to carry out this role in the Fraternity. A formal committee will be formed to prepare a set of conclusions to present at conclave. Kip Nalley will be asked to chair the committee. The committee will report to the GPA.
3. Conclave Motion 21: Science Outreach Committee – The people who made the motion have no interest in serving on the committee at this time. People will be sought to serve on this committee.
4. Conclave Motion 36: Second Object Committee – Volunteers have not stepped forward to take up this task so the Supreme Council will take up this committee for the time being.
5. Nominations Committee update – The PR ballot has been completed for this fall solicitation. There are 7 candidates with 4 two year spots and 1 one year spot.
6. Expansion – Randy worked with the National Office to develop a packet of materials that will provide a starting point for generating and responding to potential expansion opportunities. Any edits should be forwarded to the National Office.
7. Conclave – Strategies were considered to encourage any modifications to the constitution and bylaws to come in before conclave.

GCA Webster

8. Updates on chapters that did not send delegates to Conclave: Beta Phi and Gamma Eta

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- a. Gamma Eta – We think they are doing fine now and just missed a 1 star chapter award.
 - b. Beta Phi – Seems almost like an email black hole. They have gotten caught up on initiation paperwork and fees but are 3 years behind on other paperwork. A visit there with Mike Zachmeier will be planned.
9. Any updates on chapters that have not turned in an Active Member Register in two years
- a. Alpha Upsilon has everything else in but just missing this paperwork.
 - b. Gamma Delta is missing paperwork from the last year and will be contacted.
10. Expansion
- a. Midwestern Pre-colony – Located in the Chicago suburbs. A pledge class has been initiated there. Zeta is the parent chapter and reported some difficulty in getting the initiation arranged.
 - b. Boston University of Mu – Ready to move ahead in the process this fall.
 - c. Stanford (Alpha Alpha) of Sigma – Possible reactivation this fall.
 - d. Georgia Southern University of Alpha Omega – Likely ready to install a chapter in the spring.
 - e. Southeastern Missouri State of Beta Psi – Ready to move ahead in process this fall.
 - f. University of California of Irvine of Beta Gamma – Challenge to find a parent chapter and an advisor.
 - g. Beta Mu pre-colony – Doing well and have initiated their first pledge class.
 - h. University of Tampa pre-colony – Matt and Jen Schnippert have visited. There is strong interest by 25 individuals.
11. Expulsions
- a. According to bylaw 1, section c number 1, John Rozofsky, Gamma Beta 2012, is expelled.
 - b. A request for removal from our brotherhood was received and action considered.
12. Alcohol Awareness Training review – Good response in the first year. This year (second year) some pushback has been encountered. 35 chapters did training and 11 completed it to a level that qualified them for a star chapter award.
13. Star chapter – 8 chapters qualified for Three Star Chapter awards. There were 9 chapters that earned a One Star Chapter award.
14. DCs – Calvin Bond is stepping down after the next conclave. All are working hard and will be taking part in the meeting this weekend.

GPA Evaniak

15. Solicitation – Last year's solicitation results were discussed. Bright spots included a substantial number of new members and an increase in Reserve Fund donations. This fall's materials are ready to go. SC set a target goal for the 2013-2014 solicitation at \$100,000 which will be mentioned in Facebook and email correspondence. Discussion on the requirement that SC members make their contribution prior to campaign kickoff decided this was not necessary, and minimum donation levels by SC members was rejected other than to meet the levels to remain an active professional.
16. Pro chapters/any expansion – Cincinnati may be a candidate location for a pro-group.

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17. PR activities

- a. The PRs would like to have a PIC at the next conclave.
- b. The PRs indicated an interest in being part of the general advisory committee, mostly to help in identifying candidates for the Hall of Fame.
- c. A desire to have the PR bios to be included in the solicitation envelope in accordance with one interpretation of the bylaws. A motion to clarify this will be prepared for next conclave.

18. ACS lunch update – The ACS lunch will be September 10 here in Indianapolis. We are going to ask Harry Gray to join us at the luncheon.

GMC Wenzel

19. Alcorn installation – We will be staying about 30 minutes away. Plans will be made this weekend for those attending.
20. Wyvern Pin Requirements – Have been updated as requested by Conclave Motions 23 and 24.
21. Charter preservation project – 22 chapters have submitted photos of their charters to date.
22. Ritual – Trevisan tokens and the history of them were discussed.
23. Plaques – In the past crests have been cast but we have had problems with our vendor and the cost is high. A watercolor of the crest was presented as an alternative.

GR Johanns

24. Initiation Numbers – There were 1212 new members initiated in the past academic year. This is a strong value and reflects the continued growth of new members.
25. Groot – There will be a session with Groot with the DCs at 4:30pm today.
26. Finances – Our YTD expenditures do not show any unusual or unexpected values. The hot water heater was replaced driving our upkeep cost higher. We received approximately \$8,700 in refunds for property taxes paid in the past.
27. Office Relocation – Properties were inspected and two good candidate properties were identified. A 800 square foot office space is the top candidate with estimated costs of \$70,000 and \$10,000 of renovation of the property. Ongoing costs would be \$150 per month in association fees plus utilities. Arrangements will be attempted to allow the SC to inspect the property this weekend.
28. Archiving/storing documents – Jen Showerman and John Becker are reviewing documents for historical value. The National Office is continuing to go through the files, following the Retention Policy as a guideline.
29. PFA meeting
 - a. GR Johanns is the president-elect for PFA and will assume office at the meeting in September.
 - b. Three members of the SC will be there for some or all of the meeting.
 - c. We will meet with both Groot and Nationwide to discuss opportunities.
 - d. There will likely be a leadership conference in 2014.

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From 11:30 to 11:57 am, Brad Hulse joined us by phone to discuss the performance of our portfolio and changing our asset allocation.

30. The balance of our investments on June 30, 2013 was \$772,003 compared to \$672,883 on June 30, 2012.
31. When looking at the graph of risk vs. return, our accounts show that we get a higher than expected return for the level of risk we take with our portfolio.
32. There are questions going forward as whether the markets can continue to expand and what impact rising interest rates will have on the markets.
33. He believes there is a longer-term bull market expected.

There being no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 pm. The Supreme Council will meet with the District Counselors the rest of the weekend.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick Johanns".

Patrick Johanns, AΘ 1981
Grand Recorder