

Phi Mu Delta National Council
Meeting Agenda

September 4, 2018

5:00PM

Call In Number: (641) 715-3580

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I. Call to order

- Meeting was called to order at 5:01pm. Quorum was established.

II. Roll call

Joseph Doiron, President

Ryan Grogan, Vice President

Joseph Thompson, Treasurer

Jose Rosario, Secretary

Ronnie Brown, Member-at-Large

Paul Kittle, Member-at-Large

Thomas Moran, Undergraduate Representative

Timothy Schafer, Undergraduate Representative-Absent

Thomas Murphy, Executive Director

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

- Motion by Brother Grogan, Second by Brother Moran. Minutes approved by unanimous voice vote.

IV. Reports

a) Executive Directors Report

- While some institutions did not attend Cornerstone, attendance consisted of approximately 45 undergraduates engaging in impactful dialogue. Post-institute assessment will be conducted by Assistant Executive Director Hackett. Stevenson University currently reports 25 potential new members for interviews next week to begin the colonization process. A current area of focus for the National Office is our struggling chapters; support is being provided and measures are being implemented for fiscal preparedness.

b) Presidents Report

- Brother Doiron will meet with Brother Lomison. Brother Kittle inquired how Brother Lomison's concerns will be addressed; Brother Doiron is working with National Office to develop an agenda

c) Officer Reports

- Brother Grogan: First National Conduct Board meeting with Nu Beta to discuss the importance of organizational structure that mirrors other chapters so that support can be received.
- Brother Thompson: National Fraternity is currently facing financial constraints due to low recruitment and retention numbers. Additional funding revenues must be considered, including but not limited to, expansion. It is valuable to note that Keene and Stevenson expansions would be low cost as they have pre-established interest groups

d) Committee Chair Reports

- No reports at this time

V. Old Business

a) Engage Program (e.g. 72 hour initiation process) feedback

- Six chapters have reported interest in piloting the Engage program. Brother Kittle feels this would provide valuable data to consider for the next vote; members of Council agree and encourage a review of the data to assess significance. In response to Brother Brown's inquiry, Brother Murphy shared that chapters can still complete multiple initiations but this curriculum is developed to encourage growth throughout the semester and the National Office wants to ensure the proper support is provided

b) Strategic Plan

- Thomas Stephen will be asked to consult. Brother Doiron will assist Brother Rosario in creating an interest group for the committee.

c) Moving Forward from Conclave

- i) Mu Zeta Letter/Letter from Past National President: P. Kittle

- Behavior at the business meeting will need to be addressed. Executive session will be held to discuss an appropriate plan of action that encourages transparency and brotherhood

d) Biographies and contact

- Request for submission to the National Office and for Brother Doiron to be copied on the emails

VI. New Business

a) Chapter Designation

- The Council is discussing whether chapter designations should be awarded upon chartering to avoid over-distribution of designations.

b) Monthly News Letter/Video

- Brother Brown suggests weekly updates that tailor to “Gen-Z.” This was supported by Brother Thompson. Brother Rosario requested a formal plan for the next meeting; Brother Doiron to develop.

c) Accreditation and Standards

- This item has been moved to Old Business-Item A to discuss trends after several Conduct calls

d) Supports for at-risk chapters

- Brother Murphy cited “Grit” as a suggested reading for interested parties. Additionally, he shared that the National Office is placing an emphasis on purpose especially as the NIC notes a decrease in enrollment, engagement and support among male students

e) Mental Health (Brother Rosario)

- Data show an 86.7% completion rate with Kognito as the Council considers the benefits of mandatory engagement. The National Office will share Kognito with chapters again and ask Brother Fox to also share during chapter visits. Brother Murphy feels undergraduate members need to recognize signs of concerns; Brother Rosario will offer a presentation for new officers during training.

f) Advisors

- Brother Grogan feels that filling advisory boards must be a priority. Brother Murphy shared that all advisors were asked to re-certify. Chapters were informed of vacant advisor positions that they must fill.

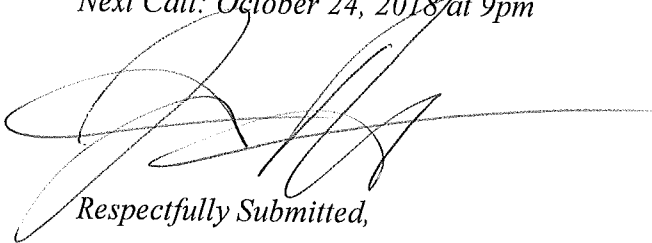
VII. Pass the gavel

- Brother Rosario: Facilitated at Cornerstone Institute and proud of the self-awareness undergraduate members possess
- Brother Doiron: Engaged in self-care with friends and family
- Brother Brown: Accepted a new position and will continue to actively serve our country
- Brother Grogan: Coordinated 250 volunteers for a triathlon with some Nu Beta volunteers
- Brother Thompson: Will now serve as the President of Alpha Sigma Omega, Inc., the Susquehanna Alumni Association
- Brother Kittle: Commenced at University of Texas in a Senior Student Affairs role and is excited about collaborations with Brother Brown
- Brother Murphy: Feels Cornerstone Institute programming went amazingly and that our undergraduates are doing amazing things and this cannot be neglected.
- Brother Moran: Excited to complete senior year of his undergraduate career

VIII. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn by Brother Kittle; Seconded by Brother Thompson. Adjourned at 6:40pm after unanimous assent.

Next Call: October 24, 2018 at 9pm



Respectfully Submitted,

Jose R. Rosario

National Secretary